

Men's Artistic Gymnastics

2019 Universiade

Qualification Criteria

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1.0 Introduction

This Qualification Criterion applies to all athletes wishing to be considered for selection by Gymnastics New Zealand (Gymnastics NZ) for the New Zealand Team to compete at the 2019 Universiade in Naples, Italy, 3 – 14 July 2019.

1.1 Selection Process

The process for an athlete to qualify and be selected is as follows:

- a) Athletes must satisfy this qualification criteria to be eligible for nomination; then
- b) The Technical Committee (TC) nominates eligible athletes (and reserves) to Gymnastics NZ not more than two weeks following the final key event being 5pm Friday 5 April; then
- c) The Selectors will select the final team (including reserves) and will announce within 10 business days of receiving nominations.

An athlete's ability to meet this qualification criteria in no way guarantees nomination and/or automatic selection to the team.

1.2 Selectors

The Selectors who will determine the athletes to be selected are:

Gymnastics NZ

2.0 Overriding Objective

The Selectors are to take into account the over-riding objective when determining the selection of athletes.

2.1 Over-riding Objective

The over-riding objective is that:

• The individual(s) must be capable of achieving a top 50% finish with the potential for top 16

3.0 Eligibility

This eligibility criteria forms part of the qualification process and identifies athletes as being eligible for consideration for nomination and selection. This eligibility criteria in no way quarantees nomination and/or selection to the team.

In order to be eligible to be considered for nomination and selection an athlete must:

- a) Satisfy clause 3.1; AND
- b) Satisfy either clause 3.2; AND
- c) Satisfy clause 3.3; AND
- d) Satisfy clause 3.4 OR 3.5; AND
- e) Be a member of the MAG National Squad.

3.1 Membership

Athletes must be a fully affiliated member of Gymnastics NZ as a competitive member and comply with Gymnastics NZ regulations and policies.

3.2 Intention to Travel

Athletes must have submitted a valid Intention to Travel for the event that they wish to be eligible for.

3.3 FISA / UTSNZ Participation

Athletes must satisfy the following conditions:

- a) Be a student who is currently officially registered as proceeding towards a degree or diploma at the university or similar institute, the status of which is recognised by the appropriate national academic authority of their country; or former students of the institutions mentioned before, who have obtained their academic degree or diploma in the calendar year preceding the event; AND
- b) Be at least 18 and no older than 25 years of age on 31 December of the year of the event; AND
- c) Comply with any other conditions as included in the FISU / UTSNZ Criteria.

3.4 Key Events

Athletes must have competed in at least ONE of the following international key events:

- World Cup Melbourne 2018
- Commonwealth Games 2018
- Pacific Rim 2018
- World Champs 2018
- World Cup Cottbus 2018
- World Cup Melbourne 2019
- World Cup Baku 2019
- World Cup Doha 2019

AND the following domestic key events:

- 2018 NZ Gymnastics Championships (mandatory)
- At least two sanctioned qualifying events (mandatory)

3.5 Overseas Athletes

If residing and training overseas, athletes must trial at a local competition which must meet the following criteria:

- a) Competition approved by Gymnastics NZ prior to trialling; and
- b) Competition must be run under FIG rules; and
- c) Contain a judging panel with a minimum of 3 members, at least two of whom are of Brevet level; and
- d) Must be a senior (as opposed to a competition setting or training environment); and

e) Must take place no later than the date of the final trial event as named in 3.4, unless otherwise agreed as per 3.5 a).

A video of the routines performed in the local (overseas) competition must be supplied to the TC with the athlete's results, within 3 days of the trial taking place. These videos must be made available to Gymnastics NZ upon request.

4.0 Performance Criteria

This performance criteria forms part of the qualification process and identifies athletes as being eligible for consideration for nomination and selection. This performance criteria in no way guarantees nomination and/or selection to the team.

Athletes must meet the performance criteria as set out in clause 4.1.

4.1 Results at Key Events

Athletes must have achieved at minimum the following score/s at a key event/s:

- Floor 13.250
- Pommel 13.000
- Rings 13.800
- Vault 13.600 average
- Parallel bars 13.300
- Horizontal bar 13.300
- All around 80.000
- Team 225.000

A maximum of 2 individuals can be selected.

4.2 Other Competitions

In addition to the scores achieved at Key Events, the Selectors may take into account the results of eligible athletes at other gymnastic competitions held in New Zealand and internationally during the period of 1 January 2018 – 23 March 2019.

All scores and results taken into consideration for nomination and selection (including those at any Trial Event) must have been achieved during official sanctioned competitions (sanctioned by Gymnastics NZ, FIG, or another National Federation member of FIG) or trial competitions held in conformity with Gymnastics NZ competition technical requirements and under the jurisdiction of an official judging panel, chaired by a FIG Brevet Judge.

5.0 Overriding discretion

In addition to the aforementioned clauses, the following factors may be taken into account in considering athletes to be selected, at the discretion of the Selectors:

- a) The attitude and behaviour (past and current) of the athlete; and/or
- b) The athlete's current level of performance, skill, and fitness; and/or
- c) The consistency of the athlete's performance and results from the previous 12 months; and/or
- d) The selectors will have the overriding discretion to select a gymnast if they do not meet any of the performance criteria in clause 4.0 due to extenuating circumstances in clause 6.0, if there is evidence that the gymnast may achieve the overriding objective in clause 2.0; and/or
- e) The selectors will have the overriding discretion to not select a gymnast, regardless of having met any of the performance criteria in clause 4.0, if in the opinion of the selectors there is insufficient evidence that the gymnast may achieve the overriding objective in clause 2.0.

No particular part of this qualification criteria shall be weighed more or less significantly by reason only of the order in which that criterion appears.

6.0 Extenuating Circumstances

In considering the results of athletes at gymnastic competitions (including the trial events), or other attendances required under this qualification criteria, the Selectors, may in their discretion give weight to extenuating circumstances.

6.1 Definition

For the purpose of this Qualification Criteria, "extenuating circumstances" means an inability of the athlete to compete in and/or attend events (including the trial events), or other required attendances arising from:

- a) injury or illness of the athlete;
- b) equipment failure;
- c) travel delays;
- d) bereavement; and/or
- e) other such circumstances as the Selectors reasonably consider constitute extenuating circumstances.

6.2 Notice of Extenuating Circumstances

Athletes who are unable to compete in and/or attend gymnastic competitions (including the trial events), or other required attendances, must advise the CEO of Gymnastics NZ, in writing of this fact explaining the reasons, at least 7 days **before** the commencement of the event or, if it occurs within twelve (12) hours prior to the event, as soon as possible after it arises.

6.3 Medical Assessments

In the case of injury or illness, athletes will be required to undergo a medical assessment by a doctor or doctors nominated by Gymnastics NZ, before the selectors can give any weight to any extenuating circumstances.

7.0 Maintain Performance Criteria

Following selection, Gymnastics NZ will undertake performance and fitness monitoring and/or testing as required. If a selected athlete does not continue to meet the performance criteria(s) in clause 4.0, the selectors may recommend the replacement of the athlete with a reserve athlete.

7.1 Athlete Appraisals

Athletes may be appraised 4 weeks prior to departure for the tour or at any other time Gymnastics NZ deems appropriate. The appraisal may consist of a combination of physical, written and verbal assessment to ensure that the athlete is physically and mentally fit to compete, is continuing to exceed this qualification criteria and has been committed to their training programme. The physical assessment may also include video.

8.0 Team Announcements

In accordance with this qualification criteria, Gymnastics NZ will formally announce the tour Team via their website and / or e-News and / or any other way deemed appropriate. All team announcements will be posted to the <u>website</u>.