**Selection Criteria for the 2022 Commonwealth Games (Updated 17 March 2022)**

Birmingham, United Kingdom, 28 July – 8 August 2022

1. **INTRODUCTION**
	1. Selection of Athletes to represent Australia at the 2022 Commonwealth Games (**CG**) will be made according to the criteria outlined in this document.
	2. The selection criteria for the CG are underpinned by the following principle:

Commonwealth Games Australia **(CGA)** has set a target of winning the most gold medals and most medals overall out of all participating nations at the 2022 Birmingham Commonwealth Games. Judo Australia **(JA)** is expected to select a team to best contribute to the overall target of CGA.

1. **CGA QUOTA ALLOCATIONS**
	1. Weight Divisions at the CG will be as per the categories of the International Judo Federation (**IJF**), namely:

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| **Male** | Under 60kg | **Female** | Under 48kg |
| Under 66kg | Under 52kg |
| Under 73kg | Under 57kg |
| Under 81kg | Under 63kg |
| Under 90kg | Under 70kg |
| Under 100kg | Under 78kg |
| Over 100kg | Over 78kg |

* 1. The Commonwealth Games Federation has reduced the overall athlete quotas (slots) available to CGA for Birmingham 2022 in the Open Athlete Allocation Sports. CGA has developed a quota distribution system to determine how many quotas each sport receives – the details of which can be seen here. Through this quota distribution system JA receives ten (10) quotas for the CG.
	2. The maximum number of athletes per nation is two per weight category but the total number of athletes selected cannot exceed the quota allocated to JA by the CGA
	3. Subsequent to clause 2.2, Judo Australia has been offered and has accepted two additional quotas from CGA. These quotas have been specifically allocated as a secondary quota for the Male Under 90kg division and as a single quota for the Female Over 78kg division. This takes the total quotas for JA for the CG to twelve (12).
	4. Up to four reserve athletes may be selected to cater for any additional quotas JA may receive.
1. **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**
	1. To be eligible for consideration for selection for the CG, an Athlete must satisfy the following requirements:
* be an Australian citizen;
* be a financial member of and be in good standing with JA and the Combat Institute of Australia (CombatAUS);
* have signed the current JA Team Member Agreement and pre-signed the B2022 Team Membership Agreement;
* not have breached the CGA Anti-Doping By-Law unless the athlete has already been sanctioned for the breach and completed the sanction imposed;
* not by their actions or omissions brought themselves, JA, CombatAUS, CGA or the Team into disrepute or censure;
* be at least 1st Dan, black belt; and
* hold a valid IJF ID Card.
1. **SELECTION PROCEDURE**

All Athletes considered for selection must meet the Eligibility Requirements as stated above at the date of selection, which will be the 1 May 2022.

* 1. Eligible athletes will be considered for selection for the CG in the following priority order:
		1. Eligible athletes who have finished top 7 at the Olympic Games, World Championships, and/or IJF World Masters in the two-year period prior to the date of selection (between 1 May 2020 and 1 May 2022) will be considered for selection first.
		2. Eligible athletes who win a minimum of one medal at IJF Grand Slam, Grand Prix and the Asian-Oceania Championships in the two-year period prior to the date of selection (between 1 May 2020 and 1 May 2022) will be considered for selection second. To provide opportunity for athletes to participate at GS/GP events the GS/GP eligibility criteria will be relaxed until 1 May 2022 as displayed on the JA website.
		3. Eligible athletes who have finished top 7 at the Junior World Championships in the two-year period prior to the date of selection (between 13 May 2020 and 13 May 2022) will be considered for selection third.

If the number of eligible athletes considered for selection under 4.1.1 – 4.1.3 is above the quota allocated to JA (10 athletes), the Athletes who achieved better international results as determined by the NSC (and if they are still even, at the absolute discretion of the NSC) will be the Athlete considered for selection under 4.1.1. to 4.1.3.

* + 1. Eligible athletes who do not satisfy the requirements in clause 4.1.1 to 4.1.3 above may be considered for selection to fill the remaining quota positions for the CG at the absolute discretion of the NSC. In exercising this discretion, the NSC will consider several factors, including (without limitation and in no particular order):
* Potential of the athlete to contribute to the overall medal tally of the CGA;
* National Ranking Points;
* IJF World Ranking;
* Quality of international results;
* Quality and quantity of international wins, particularly against athletes of CG nations
* Depth of the divisions at Commonwealth level to maximize the potential for medal performances by the team;
* CombatAUS/JA categorisation;
* An athlete’s stage of development and future potential to perform at benchmark events;
* An athlete’s technical and tactical competence;
* An athlete’s current fitness level; and
* An athlete’s commitment to the National Program.
	1. The NSC will name up to four eligible reserve athletes and will disclose the order in which athletes will be considered for selection into the team keeping in mind the maximum number of athletes allowed per division. Reserve athletes will be determined and ranked based on the discretion of the NSC. In exercising this discretion, the NSC will consider the factors listed under 4.1.4.
	2. The NSC will make decisions relating to any unforeseen circumstances relating to selections in their absolute discretion.
	3. The JA CEO will have final approval of all selections at their discretion. The approved selected athletes will be nominated to CGA.
1. **INJURY/ILLNESS OF TEAM MEMBER**
	1. Athletes are required to report all performance limiting injuries, illnesses, conditions or medical operations that occur prior to or after their selection for the CG. Reporting includes providing medical evidence to the High-Performance team (CombatAUS High Performance Director, CombatAUS Technical Lead, National Coaches, AW&E Manager) relating to the assessment, treatment and rehabilitation plan.
	2. An injured selected Athlete who is unable to undergo full training, including regular randori during the two weeks period prior to departure for the CG, may be withdrawn from the Team and replaced with the highest ranked reserve athlete as determined by the HP team.
2. **APPEALS**

All nomination and selection appeals are to be conducted in accordance with the [CGA Team Nomination, Selection and Appeals By-Law](https://commonwealthgames.com.au/about-commonwealth-games-australia/policies/).

1. **KEY DATES**

| **Dates** | **Activity** |
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| 1 May 2020 to 1 May 2022 | Selection period for B2022 |
| 2 - 6 May 2022 | NSC performs selection process for B2022, and notification is communicated to Athletes and Coaches  |
| 9th May 2022 | Closing date for Athlete Acceptance and Nomination to CGA |
| 1 July to 28 July (TBC) | Commonwealth Games Preparation Camps/Competitions (program TBC) |
| 28 July – 8 August 2022 | Commonwealth Games (Judo competition is 1 – 3 August 2022) |

UPDATES

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| 17/03/2022 | Clause 2.4 addedPrevious clause 2.4 renumbered to clause 2.5 |