



## **NOMINATION CRITERIA**

Paris 2024 Paralympic Games

Judo



# 1 Definitions and Interpretation

## 1.1 Definitions

Unless otherwise defined below, capitalised terms in this Nomination Criteria have the meaning given to them in the PA General Selection Criteria, certain of which have been reproduced below for the sake of convenience.

**Athlete** means a person who:

- (a) participates in the Sport; and
- (b) is recognised by the National Federation or PA as eligible for nomination to PA for selection to the Team under this Nomination Criteria.

**Extenuating Circumstances** means:

- (a) injury or illness;
- (b) equipment failure;
- (c) travel delays;
- (d) bereavement or disability arising from death or serious illness of an immediate family member, which means a spouse, de facto partner, child, parent, grandparent, grandchild or sibling; or
- (e) any other factors considered by the National Federation to constitute extenuating circumstances.

**Games** means Paris 2024 Paralympic Games.

**International Federation** means International Blind Sports Federation (**IBSA**).

**National Federation** means Judo Australia (**JA**).

**Nomination Date** means 3 July 2024.

**PA** means Paralympics Australia Limited and any of its officers, employees or agents and any committee it convenes including the PA Selection Committee.

**PA General Selection Criteria** means the criteria adopted by PA in respect of the Games which outlines the requirements for an athlete to be selected by PA to participate in the Games.

**PA Paralympic Team Nomination, Selection and Appeals By-Law** means the document adopted by PA which governs, among other things, the nomination and selection of Athletes to the team for the Paralympic Games

**Qualification Period** means 1 September 2022 to 24 June 2024.

**Qualification System** means the eligibility, participation and qualification criteria for the Sport in respect of the Games issued by the International Federation.

**Sport Selection Panel** means the committee comprised of representatives of Judo Australia and Blind Sports Australia (**BSA**) and includes:

- JA General Manager of Performance and Pathways;
- JA Para Pathway Lead;
- Chief Executive of BSA; and
- A legal representative to ensure due process is followed.



**Sport** means Judo.

**Sport Entries Deadline** means the date on which entries to a Games must be submitted by PA. For Paris 2024 this date is 5 August 2024.

**Team** means the team of athletes and officials selected by PA to participate in the Sport at the Games.

## 1.2 Interpretation

- (a) Unless the context otherwise requires, reference to:
  - (i) a clause is to a clause of this Nomination Criteria;
  - (ii) the singular includes the plural and the converse also applies;
  - (iii) persons include incorporated and unincorporated bodies, partnerships, joint ventures and associations and vice versa and their legal personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns and substitutes; and
  - (iv) a party includes the party's executors, administrators, successors and permitted assigns and substitutes.
- (b) If a person to whom this Nomination Criteria applies consists of more than one person, then this Nomination Criteria binds them jointly and severally.
- (c) A reference to time, day or date is to time, day or date of Sydney, Australia.
- (d) Headings are for convenience only and do not form part of this Nomination Criteria or affect its interpretation.

## 2 General

- 2.1 This Nomination Criteria is issued by the National Federation in collaboration with BSA. The National Federation must provide, or otherwise make available, this Nomination Criteria to all Athletes.
- 2.2 The National Federation may only nominate Athletes to the PA in accordance with this Nomination Criteria.
- 2.3 This Nomination Criteria will take effect on and from 12 February 2024 and will cease to have effect on the Sport Entries Deadline.
- 2.4 This Nomination Criteria applies to:
  - (a) all Athletes;
  - (b) the National Federation; and
  - (c) PA.

- 2.5 The terms of the PA Paralympic Team Nomination, Selection and Appeals By-Law and PA General Selection Criteria are incorporated by reference into this Nomination Criteria. The National Federation must provide, or otherwise make available, the PA General Selection Criteria to all Athletes.

### **3 Long List**

- 3.1 For the purpose only of identifying prospective members of the Team, the National Federation or PA may maintain a Long List of Athletes.
- 3.2 For the avoidance of doubt, membership of the National Federation's or PA's Long List does not increase, decrease or otherwise affect an Athlete's prospects of being nominated by the National Federation, or being selected by PA, to the Team.

### **4 Athlete Quota Positions**

- 4.1 The National Federation may only nominate Athletes to PA for selection to the Team where, under the Qualification System, the International Federation has awarded PA or the National Federation athlete quota positions.
- 4.2 A National Federation may not nominate more Athletes than are permitted to be nominated by PA under the Qualification System.
- 4.3 The National Federation may nominate fewer Athletes than permitted under the Qualification System, in its absolute discretion.

### **5 Eligibility Criteria**

The National Federation will not nominate an Athlete unless, as at the Nomination Date, the National Federation is satisfied on reasonable grounds that the Athlete:

- (a) is an Australian citizen;
- (b) is a member of Judo Australia;
- (c) is a member of BSA;
- (d) satisfies the Qualification System;
- (e) was born before 1 January 2011;
- (f) has competed in at least one (1) international, sanctioned IBSA Judo competition which provides World Ranking Points between 1 September 2022 and 24 June 2024;
- (g) is internationally classified in an eligible Sport Class with a Sport Class Status of (i) Confirmed; or (ii) Review with a Fixed Review Date of 2025 or later;
- (h) is likely to satisfy the PA General Selection Criteria;
- (i) has not committed any doping offence or any other offence under the policies of the National Federation, PA, Sport Integrity Australia (SIA) or the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA), unless the Athlete has been sanctioned for the breach and has completed the sanction imposed;
- (j) has been available for sample collections as required by Sport Integrity Australia (SIA) and if requested by SIA, provided up-to-date information regarding their whereabouts on a regular basis;

- (k) has not breached the IBSA classification rules and regulations, or the IPC Athlete Classification Code, unless the Athlete has been sanctioned for the breach and has completed the sanction imposed;
- (l) does not, and is not likely to in the foreseeable future, suffer from any physical or mental impairment that would prevent the Athlete from competing at the Games to the highest possible standard for that Athlete;
- (m) not by their actions or omissions have brought themselves, their National Federation or PA into disrepute or censure unless such conduct is disclosed to PA in the team membership deed and PA Paralympic Team Nomination, Selection & Appeals By-Law decides to confirm your eligibility notwithstanding such conduct; and
- (n) sign a Team Membership Deed when required by PA.

## **6 Classification**

- 6.1 Athletes will abide by the IBSA classification rules and regulations, the IPC Athlete Classification Code and any relevant National Federation, BSA or PA classification policies and requirements, including attending classification assessment as required.
- 6.2 Athletes will complete any classification education modules as released by IBSA or PA.
- 6.3 Athletes will the National Federation, BSA, PA and IBSA if there is any change to assistive devices, or equipment used, which may impact their classification in any way, and agrees to undergo further classification assessment if required.
- 6.4 Athletes will disclose previous classification documentation and/or medical diagnostic documentation from relevant specialists for classification which may include:
  - (a) providing medical diagnostic information detailing the athlete's underlying health condition and eligible impairment; and/or
  - (b) undertaking any additional medical assessment or provide further medical diagnostic information as required by the National Federation, BSA, PA or IBSA for the purpose of classification.
- 6.5 If an athlete has any medical intervention, or if changes occur to the athlete's impairment which may impact on their classification, athletes must provide medical documentation to the National Federation, BSA, PA or IBSA.

## **7 Nomination Criteria**

- 7.1 The National Federation will nominate eligible Athletes who have been allocated a quota place by name in accordance with the [Qualification System](#). This includes:
  - (a) all directly qualified athletes on the IBSA Judo World Ranking List as confirmed in writing by IBSA on the 1 July 2024, with a maximum of one (1) athlete per NPC per weight category; and
  - (b) an athlete who is granted by name a Bipartite Commission Invitation slot as confirmed by IBSA on the 15 July 2024.



- 7.2 In the case of multiple eligible athletes qualifying directly in one weight category the Sport Selection Panel will nominate the athlete with the highest ranking on the IBSA Judo World Ranking List as of 24 June 2024.
- 7.3 The National Federation may make a request for PA to apply for bipartite commission invitation allocation slots.
- 7.4 The Sport Selection Panel may identify to the National Federation one athlete who has accumulated the most ranking points in the qualification period of 1 September 2022 to 24 June 2024 but did not received a direct qualification place by no later than 2 July 2024. If the National Federation agrees, the National Federation will recommend the athlete to PA for a bipartite commission invitation allocation.
- 7.5 If Australia is awarded bipartite commission invitation allocation slots by the IPC or IBSA, the Sport Selection Panel may only nominate the Athletes specified by the IPC or IBSA for those slots.

## **8 Extenuating Circumstances**

- 8.1 In determining whether an Athlete has satisfied the criteria set out in clause 7, the Sport Selection Panel may, in its absolute discretion, have regard to Extenuating Circumstances.
- 8.2 If any Athlete considers they may have experienced extenuating circumstances they must write to the National Federation prior to the Nomination Date, notifying the National Federation of the Extenuating Circumstances.

## **9 Submission of Nominations**

- 9.1 The National Federation must notify Athletes of the Nomination Date in writing.
- 9.2 PA may, in its absolute discretion extend the Nomination Date for the National Federation for any reason.
- 9.3 The National Federation must nominate Athletes to PA by the Nomination Date, which is 3 July 2024. The National Federation must inform Athletes of their nomination or non-nomination by no later than:
- (a) 48 hours prior to the Nomination Date, where such written notice would be received by the Athlete 14 days prior to the Sport Entries Deadline; or
  - (b) 24 hours prior to the Nomination Date, where such written notice would be received by the Athlete within 14 days of the Sport Entries Deadline the Nomination Date;
- or such later date as PA advises the National Federation.
- 9.4 Nominations submitted to PA must be in the form prescribed by PA or in a form that is otherwise acceptable to PA and include any such information that is required under the PA General Selection Criteria.
- 9.5 PA may, in its absolute discretion, accept a nomination submitted after the Nomination Date where it is submitted by the National Federation as a result of an appeal brought in accordance with the National Federation appeals process. Slots awarded as a result of a bipartite commission invitation allocation are not subject to the appeals process.

## 10 Appeals

Athletes may appeal their non-nomination. Appeals will be conducted in accordance with, and will be governed by, the procedure provided in the JA Selection Appeal Policy or the PA Paralympic Team Nomination, Selection and Appeals By-Law.

## 11 Amendments

This Nomination Criteria may only be amended with the written consent of PA.

## 12 Governing Law

This Nomination Criteria is governed by the laws of the State of New South Wales.

## 13 Nomination/Selection Timeline

Date	Description
1 July 2024	IBSA confirms in writing to the NPCs the allocation of qualification and host country slots.
2nd July 2024	Sport Selection Panel Meet to confirm qualified places and nominated athletes. This includes recommendation for bipartite place to JA.
3rd July 2024	Nominations made to PA.
3rd July 2024	Nominated athletes informed in writing. Together with any athlete that has met criteria and not selected.
8 July 2024	Deadline to submit Bipartite Commission Invitation applications to IBSA
15 July 2024	IBSA confirms in writing to the NPCs the reallocation of unused qualification slots.
15 July 2024	IBSA confirms in writing the awarding of Bipartite Commission Invitation slots.
5 August 2024	Deadline for Paris 2024 Organising Committee to receive sport entry forms submitted by NPCs.