

## 2015 WORLD UNIVERSITY GAMES (aka “Universiade Games”) SELECTION POLICY: 3<sup>rd</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> July, Gwangju, Korea

### 1. NOMINATION/SELECTION PHILOSOPHY

- 1.1 This Selection Policy sets out the basis on which the Athletics New Zealand (“Athletics NZ”) Selectors (refer to clause 5.1) will consider athletes for selection for the 2015 World University Games (the “2015 WUG”).
- 1.2 The Selectors will nominate athletes for selection and nominations will be subject to ratification by the *Board of Athletics NZ* (the “Board”).
- 1.3 The 2015 WUG is an Athletics NZ “Silver” Singlet competition (i.e. a World Championship other than an IAAF World Track & Field Championship, Olympic Games or Commonwealth Games).
- 1.4 For *Individual Events*, the Selectors will nominate athletes deemed capable of a *Top 16* placing at the Games (i.e. athletes that have achieved the ‘A’ *Performance Standard* OR two ‘B’ *Performance Standards* during the *Qualification Period*).
- 1.5 For *Relay Events*, the Selectors will nominate Relay Teams comprised of up to six (6) athletes deemed capable of a *Top 8* placing at the Games.
- 1.6 *Relay Event* priorities take precedence over *Individual Event* priorities for athletes who have not achieved an ‘A’ *Performance Standard*.

**Note:** *Relay team members* that have not met the requirements of Clause 1.4 may be included in an *Individual Event/s* at the discretion of the *Team Leader* in consultation with the Athletics NZ High Performance Director (the “ANZ-HP Director”), the athlete and their personal coach.

### 2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 In order to be eligible for selection for the 2015 WUG an athlete must:
  - a) Submit an [Application for Selection Form](#) and pay a \$500.00 bond (refer clause 13.3) by 5pm, Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2015; AND
  - b) Be a registered member of Athletics NZ at the time of achieving their *Performance Standard*; AND
  - c) Have competed at the *Compulsory Selection Trial/s* (refer to Section 6) or have sought dispensation from those competitions; AND
  - d) Have satisfied all *International University Sports Federation (FISU)* eligibility, nationality and participation requirements, including the requirements set out in clause 3; AND
  - e) Remain in “good standing” with Athletics NZ and at all times comply with any established code of conduct or athlete agreement and otherwise conduct themselves in a way that does not bring their sport or the team into disrepute; AND
  - f) Have achieved a *Performance Standard* that is listed on the official Athletics NZ Rankings lists within the following *Qualification Periods*.

Categories/Events	Qualification Period
NZ & Australia based athletes	1 <sup>st</sup> October 2014 to 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2015
Overseas based athletes	1 <sup>st</sup> January 2015 to Midnight 31 <sup>st</sup> May 2015

#### Qualification Period Extensions

- 2.2 In exceptional circumstances where a New Zealand or Australia based athlete is deemed by the Convenor in consultation with the ANZ-HP Director to have had limited qualifying opportunities during the specified *Qualification Period* (i.e. 1<sup>st</sup> October 2014 to 29<sup>th</sup> March 2015) then they may be granted a *Qualification Period Extension* up to midnight on the 31<sup>st</sup> of May 2015.

- 2.3 Decisions regarding whether to grant a *Qualification Period Extension* are solely at the discretion of the Convenor in consultation with the ANZ-HP Director.
- 2.4 Athletes seeking a *Qualification Period Extension* must make a request for a *Qualification Period Extension* by E-Mail accompanied by relevant supportive documents (e.g. medical certificates), as soon as they are aware of their situation, but no later than the 29<sup>th</sup> March 2015, to the Convenor at [Alec@Athletics.org.nz](mailto:Alec@Athletics.org.nz)

### 3. ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- 3.1 Member Federation entries must comply with *FISU Regulations, International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF) Technical Regulations* and *Local Organising Committee (LOC) Entry Requirements*.
- 3.2 *FISU Regulations* stipulate the following can compete:

- Student who are currently officially registered as proceeding towards a degree or diploma at a University or similar institute, the status of which is recognised by the appropriate authority in the country (see appendix 1); OR
- Former students of the institutions mentioned in 3.2.a who have successfully obtained their academic degree or diploma in the 12 months preceding the event; i.e. the graduation date.

**Note:** Generally if studying overseas you must be studying at a University or similar Tertiary Education Institution that is recognised as holding Tertiary status by the appropriate academic authority of that country.

The study of individual papers without the pursuit of an degree or diploma is insufficient to meet FISU requirements.

For further clarification please contact [Deb@athletics.org.nz](mailto:Deb@athletics.org.nz)

#### Age requirements

- 3.3 Athletes must be at least 17 and less than 28 years of age on 1 January 2015.

#### Individual Events

- 3.4 Member Federations may enter a maximum of two (2) athletes per *Individual Event* other than the following exceptions:
- For the Men's and Women's 10,000m up to three (3) athletes can be entered per event.
  - For the Men's & Women's Half Marathon and the Men's & Women's 20Km Race Walk up to five (5) can be entered per event.

#### Relays

- 3.5 Member Federations may enter one (1) team per *Relay Event*.
- 3.6 Up to six (6) athletes can be entered per *Relay Team* (i.e. without being selected for an *Individual Event*).
- 3.7 For further information refer to *2014-2015 IAAF Rules* regarding the confirmation and composition of *Relay Teams* at IAAF Championships.

### 4. PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

- 4.1 For an athlete to be considered for nomination for the 2015 WUG in an *Individual Event* they must have achieved the following performance standards during the *Qualification Period*:

Men		Event	Women	
A Standard	B Standard		A Standard	B Standard
10.45	10.50	100m	11.70	11.80
21.00	21.10	200m	23.75	23.95
46.50	46.85	400m	53.30	54.35
1:48.40	1:49.00	800m	2:04.50	2:06.20
3:43.80	3:45.10	1500m	4:18.50	4:22.50
14:09.00	14:15.00	5000m	16:15.00	16:50.00
29:30.00		10,000m	35:30.00	
1hr 07:00		Half Marathon	1hr 17:45	

8:48.00	8:58.00	3000m SC	10:05.00	10:17.00
13.85	14.00	110mH/100mH	13.35	13.50
50.40	50.80	400H	57.20	58.00
1hr 25:00		20Km Race Walk	1hr 40:00	
40.40		4x100m	45.50	
3:13.30		4x400m	3:47.00	
7425 points	6925 points	Decathlon/Heptathlon	5635 points	5400 points
2.20m	2.17m	High Jump	1.83m	1.80m
5.30m	5.20m	Pole Vault	4.20m	4.10m
7.70m	7.55m	Long Jump	6.30m	6.20m
16.25m	16.05m	Triple Jump	13.30m	13.20m
18.70m	18.15m	Shot Put	16.10m	14.75m
58.50m	56.50m	Discus Throw	55.25m	49.75m
70.60m	67.25m	Hammer Throw	66.25m	63.25m
74.60m	71.40m	Javelin Throw	54.50m	51.50m

## 5. **SELECTION PANEL**

- 5.1 The Athletics NZ Selection Panel (the “*Selectors*”) and the Convenor appointed to nominate athletes for the 2015 WUG are:
- a) Alec McNab (Convenor)
  - b) Richard Kee
  - c) Graham Seatter
- 5.2 The *Board* reserves the right to replace any member of the *Selectors* at any time for any reason.

## 6. **COMPULSORY SELECTION TRIAL/S**

- 6.1 The following three (3) competitions will be *Compulsory Selection Trials* for the 2015 WUG:
- a) *Athletics New Zealand 10,000m Championships*, Auckland, 31<sup>st</sup> January 2015
  - b) *Athletics New Zealand Combined Events Championships*, Hamilton, 14<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> of February 2015
  - c) *Athletics New Zealand Track & Field Championships*, Wellington, 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> March 2015
- 6.2 All athletes seeking selection for the 2015 WUG must:
- a) Have achieved a legitimate *Performance Standard* during the *Qualification Period*; AND
  - b) Must have either:
    - i. Competed in the *Compulsory Selection Trial/s* in the event/s most relevant to the event/s in which they are seeking selection; OR
    - ii. Received dispensation from the relevant *Compulsory Selection Trial or Trials*; OR
    - iii. Received a medical exemption from the relevant *Compulsory Selection Trial or Trials* as a result of injury or illness that occurred during the competition, or during the 10 days before the competition, that can be verified by the provision of the Medical Certificate.

### **Dispensation from Compulsory Selection Trial**

- 6.3 Athletes seeking dispensation from one or more of the *Compulsory Selection Trials* must make a request by E-Mail no later than 10 days before the respective competition/s, to the *Convenor* at [Alec@athletics.org.nz](mailto:Alec@athletics.org.nz)
- 6.4 Dispensations from one or more of the *Compulsory Selection Trials* will be at the sole discretion of the *Convenor* and will generally only be granted to athletes in exceptional circumstances.

### **Medical Exemption from Compulsory Selection Trials**

- 6.5 Athletes that are unable to effectively compete at a *Compulsory Selection Trial* as a result of injury or illness that occurred during the competition, or during the 10 days before the competition, must make a request for a Medical Exemption by E-Mail accompanied by a copy of a Medical Certificate to verify their situation, as soon as they are aware of their situation, but no later than 48 hours after the conclusion of the competition, to the *Convenor* at [Alec@athletics.org.nz](mailto:Alec@athletics.org.nz).

## Requirements for athletes granted a Dispensations or a Medical Exemption

- 6.6 Athletes who are granted dispensation or a medical exemption from competing in any of the *Compulsory Selection Trials* will generally be required to complete an alternative *Proof of Fitness* trial by a date agreed between the athlete, their personal coach (if applicable) and the *Convenor* in consultation with the *2015 WUG Athletics Team Leader*.

## 7. AUTOMATIC NOMINATIONS (i.e. for winning compulsory selection trials)

- 7.1 Subject to the entry and eligibility requirements stipulated in this *Selection Policy*, and providing they achieve the relevant 'A' *Performance Standard* for the event during the Championships, athletes that win either the Senior Women's or the Senior Men's events at the following competitions will be *automatic nominations* for the *2015 WUG*:

- a) *Athletics New Zealand 10,000m Championships*, Auckland, 31<sup>st</sup> January 2015
- b) *Athletics New Zealand Combined Events Championships*, Hamilton, 14<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> of February 2015
- c) *Athletics New Zealand Track & Field Championships*, Wellington, 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> March 2015

## 8. DISCRETIONARY NOMINATIONS

- 8.1 In addition to the athletes that achieve *automatic nomination*, the *Selectors* will consider athletes for nomination that have achieved:

- a) At least one (1) 'A' *Performance Standard* during the *Qualification Period*; OR
- b) At least two (2) 'B' *Performance Standards* in the same event during the *Qualification Period*; OR
- c) At least one (1) 'B' *Performance Standard* in the Heptathlon, Decathlon, 10,000m, Half Marathon and 20k Race Walk.

**Note:** In situations where a New Zealand or Australia based athlete is granted a *Qualification Period Extension* (refer Clause 2.2, 2.3 and 2.4), then they must fulfil the above criteria during the overall *Qualification Period* available to them (i.e. from the 1<sup>st</sup> October 2014 to the conclusion of their *Qualification Period Extension*).

- 8.2 In situations where there are more than two (2) athletes that meet the above requirements in the same Event then the *Selectors* may consider any combination of factors that they deem relevant to their decision whether or not to nominate an athlete, including but not limited to the athlete's:

- a) Performance at the *2015 Athletics New Zealand Track & Field Championships*
- b) Performance at the *2015 Athletics New Zealand 10,000m Championships*
- c) Performance at the *2015 Athletics New Zealand Combined Events Championships*
- d) Potential to be highly competitive at the *2015 WUG*
- e) Competitive record against other athletes under consideration for nomination in the same event
- f) The quality and consistency of performances during the *Qualification Period*
- g) Commitment and focus on competing at the *2015 WUG*
- h) History of performances at previous selected individual or team events
- i) Performances in international races during the *Qualification Period*, and/or
- j) Recent injuries or illness.

## 9. SELECTION PROCESS

- 9.1 Athletics NZ will select *Individual(s)* or *Relay Team(s)* according to the criteria set out in this *Selection Policy* as allowed by the FISU Regulations, IAAF Technical Regulations and/or the LOC entry requirements.
- 9.2 Nothing in this *Selection Policy* obliges Athletics NZ to select a full contingent of athletes in any particular event regardless of the FISU Regulations, IAAF Technical Regulations or the LOC entry requirements.

## Ratification Review

9.3 The *Board* must ratify nominations to each *Selection Announcement*.

## Selection Announcements

9.4 The *Initial Selection Announcement* of the athletes selected for the 2015 WUG will be published on the Athletics NZ website by 5pm, 8<sup>th</sup> April 2015.

9.5 The *Final Selection Announcement* of the athletes selected for the 2015 WUG will be published on the Athletics NZ website by 5pm, Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2015.

## 10. NON-SELECTION QUERIES &/OR APPEALS PROCESS

10.1 Non-selected athletes can query (i.e. seek clarification regarding their non-selection and/or requirements regarding what they need to do to meet selection requirements) of their non-selection after any *Selection Announcement* by contacting the *Convenor*.

### Non-selection appeals process

10.2 The publishing of the *Final Selection Announcement* on Athletics NZ website by 5pm, Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2015 will be deemed to be the commencement of the 72 hour period to lodge non-Selection Appeals in accord with this *Selection Policy*.

10.3 Any athlete whose selection is not ratified by the *Board* in accord with this *Selection Policy* may appeal their non-selection to the New Zealand Sports Tribunal providing they:

- a) Have submitted an *Application for Selection Form* in accord with timelines contained in this *Selection Policy*; AND
- b) Submit a notice of their intention to appeal their non-selection in writing to the CEO of Athletics NZ or the ANZ-HP Director within 72 hours of the decision of the *Board* being published on the Athletics NZ website (i.e. the *Final Selection Announcement*).

10.4 Any appeal will be considered by the Sports Tribunal under its Rules and the grounds for an appeal will be as set out in those Rules. This provision will apply in relation to non-selection appeals. General provisions relating to appeals in the Constitution and By-Laws of Athletics NZ will not apply.

## 11. VILLAGE PRE-ENTRY PROOF OF FITNESS REQUIREMENTS

11.1 All selections for the 2015 WUG remain conditional until an athlete has met their *Village Pre-Entry Proof of Fitness Requirements*.

11.2 All selected athletes will be advised in writing of their specific *Village Pre-Entry Proof of Fitness Requirements* by the *Convenor* and/or the 2015 WUG Athletics Team Leader in consultation with the ANZ-HP Director.

11.3 The time frame for all athletes to achieve specific *Village Pre-Entry Proof of Fitness Requirements* will be at the discretion of the *Convenor* and/or the 2015 WUG Athletics Team Leader in consultation with the ANZ-HP Director. However, generally it will be within the 2 weeks of the commencement of the competition and prior to them leaving for the *Games* from New Zealand or their place of residence.

11.4 Generally, failure by a selected athlete to meet the *Village Pre-Entry Proof of Fitness Requirements* will result in an athlete who has been selected to the team being withdrawn from the *Games*. However, such a decision would be at the discretion of the *Convenor* in consultation with the 2015 WUG Athletics Team Leader and the ANZ-HP Director.

11.5 Athletes selected for the Half Marathon or the 20Km Race Walk:

- a) Shall not compete in a Half Marathon (or further) or 20Km Race Walk (or further) after Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2015.
- b) Shall not compete in any event exceeding 10Km after Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2015.

## 12. **GENERAL INFORMATION**

12.1 This Selection Policy may be amended at any time by the *Board*. Any amendment will be published on the Athletics NZ website.

### **Funding**

12.2 The *2015 WUG* is an athlete-funded competition and athletes seeking selection in accord with this *Selection Policy* will have to participate at no-cost to Athletics NZ.

### **Bond**

12.3 Athletes seeking selection for the *2015 WUG* will be required to pay a Bond of \$500.00 along with their *Application for Selection Form* by 5pm, 30<sup>th</sup> January 2015.

12.4 The conditions associated with Bond are:

- a) The Bond should either be paid by:
  - i. Depositing cleared funds into 12-3192-0002433-00 noting “2015 WUG” in the Particulars field and athlete’s name (e.g., “C P Taylor”) in the Reference field in internet banking. The Payee is Athletics NZ; or
  - ii. Sending a cheque made payable to Athletics NZ, P O Box 305 504 Triton Plaza, Auckland 0757 to be received no later than 5pm, 30<sup>th</sup> January 2015. The cheque must be accompanied with a note recording the athlete’s name and that the payment is made as a bond for the *2015 WUG* team.

### **Refund of Bond**

- b) The full amount of the Bond paid will be refunded (without interest) if an athlete is not selected.
- c) If an athlete withdraws from the team after nomination for any reason, they must notify the *Convenor* in writing as soon as possible. A full refund of the Bond paid will not automatically be given in these circumstances. All refund requests will be considered on a “case-by-case” basis, including by reference to whether any costs have already been incurred or committed by Athletics NZ prior to the time of the withdrawal, as well as to the circumstances behind the withdrawal. In any case, an amount of not less than \$100 will be retained to defray costs.
- d) Any refund is subject to the athlete in question having included details for the refund payment (i.e., bank account details or address and payee for refund cheque) in their *Application for Selection*; otherwise the athlete must provide those details when he or she advises of the withdrawal of their *Application for Selection Form*. Refunds cannot be made without these details.

### **Application of Bond**

- e) If selected the Bond will be applied by Athletics NZ to offset costs payable by that selected athlete as a member of the *2015 WUG team* (i.e. it is not an “extra” fee/levy).
- 12.5 A *management levy* is likely to be charged across all athletes (i.e. above the cost of their own travel and accommodation) to assist with cost of the Team Leader and support staff (if applicable).
- 12.6 Athletes considering competing at the *WUG* should plan their funding and budgets early. The trip cost is expected to be around \$7,500.00 NZD.
- 12.7 For athlete-funded competitions, two weeks prior to the departure of “the team” from New Zealand all athlete-funding components must be paid to Athletics NZ. Non-payment of the athlete-funding components will result in removal from the team.
- 12.8 Some athletes may receive funding for the *WUG* under their Athletics NZ Carded Athlete Agreements. The decision whether to provide funding to an athlete who has been selected and the extent of any funding will be made by the ANZ-HP Director.

### **Team Leader/Coach/Staff Appointments**

12.9 Expressions of Interest for the position of a *2015 WUG Team Leader* will be published by 1<sup>st</sup> December 2014 and expected to be appointed by 17<sup>th</sup> December 2014.



- 12.10 Once appointed the *2015 WUG Team Leader* in consultation with the ANZ-HP Director will identify a shortlist of possible coaches and liaise with them regarding their availability for the Games pending on the final make-up of the team.
- 12.11 Any additional support staff and/or coaches required for the team will be advertised from 27<sup>th</sup> January 2015 and expected to be appointed by 11<sup>th</sup> February 2015.
- 12.12 For further information regarding staff appointments contact [Deb Develter](#)

### **13. ADDITIONAL COMPETITION INFORMATION**

- 13.1 For further information regarding the *2015 WUG* refer to: <http://www.wugusa.com/summer-games/>

## **APPENDIX 1**

### **Institutions recognised by New Zealand ministry of education**

#### **New Zealand Universities ([www.nzvcc.ac.nz](http://www.nzvcc.ac.nz))**

- Auckland University
- Auckland University of Technology
- Lincoln University
- Massey University (Albany, Palmerston North & Wellington Campuses)
- University of Canterbury
- University of Otago
- Victoria University
- Waikato University

#### **Institutes of Technology and Polytechnics ([www.itpnz.ac.nz](http://www.itpnz.ac.nz))**

- Aoraki Polytechnic
- Bay of Plenty Polytechnic
- Christchurch Polytechnic Institute of Technology
- Eastern Institute of Technology Hawke's Bay
- Manuka Institute of Technology
- Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology
- Northland Polytechnic
- Otago Polytechnic
- Southern Institute of Technology
- Tai Poutini Polytechnic
- Tairāwhiti Polytechnic
- Telford Rural Polytechnic
- The Open Polytechnic of New Zealand
- Universal College of Learning
- Waiariki Institute of Technology
- Waikato Institute of Technology
- Wellington Institute of Technology
- Western Institute of Technology at Taranaki
- Whītireia Community Polytechnic

#### **Wānanga**

- TeWānanga o Aotearoa
- Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiārangi
- TeWānanga -o-Raukawa