



**2020 World University Championships
Kecskemet, Hungary 27 – 28 June 2020
Nomination Criteria**

1 Introduction

1.1 Scope

This Nomination Criteria (**Criteria**) explains how Triathlon Australia (**TA**) will nominate Athletes to UniSport Australia (**UniSport**) for consideration for selection in the UniSport Team (**Team**) to compete in the 2020 World University Championships (**WUC**).

1.2 Objective

- (a) The primary objective of this policy is to select athletes whom TA considers demonstrate an ability to medal, or play a team role in winning a medal at the event listed in **clause 1.1**.
- (b) The men's events and the women's events are separate events and different considerations may be relevant in selection of Athletes (according to this Policy) to maximise the prospects of achieving TA's stated objective as set put in **clause 1.2(a)**.

1.3 Application

- (a) TA may only nominate Athletes to UniSport for consideration for selection in the Team in accordance with this Criteria.
- (b) The Triathlon Australia Elite Selection Committee (**TAESC**) has been appointed by the TA Board to administer and implement this Criteria.
- (c) The Criteria is issued by the TA Board. TA must provide, or otherwise make available, this Criteria to all Athletes.
- (d) If any TA position is unavailable to fulfil his/her role as described in this Criteria, the TA Board may authorise a delegate to fulfil this role.
- (e) UniSport has the exclusive authority to select the nominated Athletes to the Team.

- (f) This Criteria will take effect from the date it is released and will cease to have effect at the conclusion of the WUC.

1.4 This Criteria applies to:

- (a) all Athletes;
- (b) TA; and
- (c) UniSport.

2 Eligibility for Nomination

2.1 TA will not nominate an Athlete unless, as at the Nomination Date, TA is satisfied on reasonable grounds that the Athlete:

- (a) is a current member of, and in good standing with TA;
- (b) be an Australian Citizen;
- (c) satisfies all ITU Rules;
- (d) in the opinion of TA, not brought him/herself, TA, or the sport of Triathlon into disrepute; and
- (e) if requested by the National Performance Director (NPD), agree to and sign the 2020 TA Athlete Agreement prior to confirmation of acceptance of TEAM selection.

If there is any doubt regarding eligibility to compete for Australia, Athletes must contact the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of TA for clarification.

2.2 UniSport will not select an Athlete unless, as at the Selection Date, athletes satisfy the following eligibility requirements as outlined by the International University Sports Federation (FISU):

- (a) be a national of the country they represent
- (b) be at least 18 and no older than 25 years of age on the 31st December of the year of the event
- (c) must be studying at a higher education institution which is recognised by the Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency. The national register of recognised institutions can be found at: <https://www.teqsa.gov.au/national-register>
- (d) former students of the institutions mentioned in 2.2(c) who completed their studies in the year preceding the event.

3 Qualification of Athlete Quota Positions

- 3.1 TA may only nominate Athletes to UniSport for consideration for selection to the Team where, under the ITU System, the ITU has awarded Unisport or TA, Athlete quota positions.
- 3.2 TA may not nominate more Athletes than the number of Athlete quota positions awarded to UniSport or TA under the ITU System.
- 3.3 TA may nominate the maximum number of Athletes that are permissible under the ITU System. The mixed relay team will be made up of from nominated Athletes.
- 3.4 Neither this Criteria, nor UniSport/FISU require TA to nominate the maximum number of athletes to UniSport for selection for the WUC.

4 Nomination Criteria

- 4.1 For the purposes of nomination to UniSport for consideration for selection to the Team, Athletes may only be nominated by Discretionary nomination;
 - (a) In exercising its discretion the TAESC may consider any matter it deems relevant in meeting the primary objective outlined in **clause 1.2**. The TAESC may consider performances in races up to and including **3 May 2020**.
- 4.2 All athletes must complete the online nomination form before the nominations closing date of 9am AEST Monday 4 May 2020.
- 4.3 The online application form can be located here - <https://www.active.com/orgs/triathlon-australia-high-performance>.
- 4.4 All nominations must be made through this nomination link.

5 Reserve Athletes

- 5.1 The TAESC may identify additional Athletes of each gender as reserve Athletes.
- 5.2 In exercising its discretion to select Reserve Athletes, the TAESC may consider any factor or combination of factors that is, in the opinion of the TAESC, deemed relevant.
- 5.3 Reserves may be ranked by the TAESC and will only be chosen from among eligible Athletes.
- 5.4 Athletes selected as a Reserve according to this Policy will not be members of the TEAM unless they replace a TEAM member by operation of this Policy OR additional quota spots become available from the ITU.

6 Team Membership Conditions

- 6.1** On selection to the TEAM, all Athletes, including named Reserve Athletes, must comply with the [TA's Standard Event/Team Representation Continuing Form, Fitness and Medical Assessment Obligations](#), dated November 2018.
- 6.2** If an Athlete does not meet either the requirements or obligations set out in TA's Standard Event/Team Representation Continuing Form, Fitness and Medical Assessment Obligations, TA may, via the discretion of the NPD, exclude the Athlete from the selected Athletes and nominate a Reserve Athlete to replace the withdrawn Athlete.

7 Notification of Selections

The TEAM selections will be communicated to the athlete in writing by UniSport after **18 May 2020**.

8 Funding

Athletes are responsible for all costs in travelling to, and competing at, the 2020 WUC. Athletes may contact their University Sport Association to seek funding assistance

9 Appeals

An Eligible Athlete, who is not selected, may appeal that decision, under the [Triathlon Australia Appeals Policy](#), dated 2017.

10 Amendments

This Policy may be amended at any time by TA if TA is of the opinion that such an amendment is necessary as a result of any change in ITU/Uni Sport or FISU eligibility criteria or guidelines, or to give effect to the Policy following discovery of a drafting error or oversight, or for any other reason determined to be in the best interests of TA by TA. TA shall not be responsible or liable in any way to any one as a result of any such amendment. Any amended Policy will be distributed by TA by email to all eligible Athletes and/or posted on the TA website.

11 Governing Law

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

12 Policy Enquiries

It is the athlete's responsibility to read and understand this Policy (and other supporting documents and/or policies). For further clarification relating to this policy, queries should be directed to the Performance Programs Manager (PPM).

13 Definitions

In this Nomination Criteria, the following words and phrases have the following meanings:

- 13.1 FISU** - International University Sport Foundation
- 13.2 ITU** – International Triathlon Union
- 13.3 Nomination** – means the Athletes nominated to UniSport for ratification by UniSport and final selection to the Team
- 13.4 NPD** – National Performance Director and/or their nominated delegate
- 13.5 PPM** - Performance Programs Manager
- 13.6 Selection** - describes the process by which the TAESC may consider the performance of an Athlete, apply its expert opinion, and determine whether the Athlete meets the objective of this Policy
- 13.7 TA** - Triathlon Australia
- 13.8 TAESC** – Triathlon Australia Elite Selection Committee. This committee has been appointed by the TA Board, to administer and implement this Policy. The names of each of the Selectors will be published on the TA website.
- 13.9 TEAM** – the 2020 Australian World University Championship Team
- 13.10 UniSport** – University Sport Australia (National Governing Body)
- 13.11 WUC** – the 2020 World University Championships

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