



Selection Policy Information Session

2025 Oceania Cup and Pacific Mini Games

Caveat



- Any discussion in this forum or any statements within the presentation cannot be taken as stand alone information regarding selection. All selections are based on the published selection policy and that policy only - which must be understood in full.
- Only the Chair of Selectors may speak on selection matters, others passing comments (including AA staff) have no standing on selection.
- Feedback to the Selection Panel also should be direct, you must assume any feedback related to availability, results or injuries etc. will not be passed on (confidentiality etc.) Do not say I told ...

Pacific Mini-Games Policy – Main Points



- This is a developmental team and is restricted to 20 athletes (competition rules) with a maximum of two athletes per event.
- The target is to have 10 athletes selected of each sex.
- Para athletes are not eligible as development opportunities are built into the Paralympic Pathway in 2025.
- Athletes must be born in 2006 and not have previous experience at Under 20 or Senior International level or be in line for selection in other events in 2025.
- The events available to Australia are restricted. The event list appears in the Selection Policy.
- The team is not fully funded, so an athlete levy will be charged

Pacific Mini-Games – Main Points



- Athletes can contest a maximum of two events.
- Selection is fully based on discretion of the selection panel based on performances in the period 1 January 2025 – 13 April 2025.
- Main factors for consideration for selection are:
 - Performance across the Australian Domestic Season
 - Head-to-Head performances against other eligible athletes
 - Consistency of performance
 - Long-term potential to achieve a top-8 finish at future World Championships and Olympic Games.
- The team will be selected soon after the end of the qualifying period, 13 April 2025.

Oceania Cup – Main Points



- This is a developmental team of athletes who are Under 23 (born in 2003, 2004 or 2005) and who will not otherwise have international competition in 2025 and have not previously represented at World, Commonwealth or Olympic level.
- The events available to Australia are restricted. The event list appears in the Selection Policy.
- A team of up to 20 athletes will be selected, comprising of 10 male and 10 female athletes.
- The team is not fully funded, so an athlete levy will be charged

Oceania Cup – Main Points



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 - Performance across the Australian Domestic Season
 - Head-to-Head performances against other eligible athletes
 - Consistency of performance
 - Long-term potential to achieve a top-8 finish at future World Championships and Olympic Games.
- There will not be any “relay only” athletes selected. Relays will comprise athletes already selected in other events.
- The team will be selected in week beginning 28 April.



Note that the only questions answered are those related to selection. Any questions preparation or funding etc etc should be directed to High Performance.

- What teams should I nominate for?
 - You can nominate for as many team as you want, but if you are selected in a higher level team (like University Games) then you will be removed/ineligible for either of the Mini Games or Oceania Cup.
- Are there any qualifying marks being considered?
 - No

Q & A



- Can athletes still be considered if they are unable to compete at Australian championships due to attending college overseas
 - Yes
- Does doing the 5000m at nationals make me eligible for the 3000m?
 - Yes
- Do times from UniSport national athletics count towards this team selection?
 - If before the selection date, yes (means OK for Oceania Cup)

Thanks for listening



- See documents on the AA website for further information.
- Further information – selectors@athletics.org.au
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- Wishing all athletes all the best

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