

Australian Cycling Federation Incorporated trading as CYCLING AUSTRALIA (CA)

NOMINATION AND SELECTION CRITERIA 2010 Youth Olympic Games (YOG) - Singapore (14-26 August 2010)

INTRODUCTION

The **objective** of this nomination and selection criteria is to select athletes capable of delivering performances toward a medal winning result for Australia at the 2010 Youth Olympic Games (YOG).

For more specific information on the YOG event and races, go to the following links:

Information/Qualification: http://www.uci.ch/templates/UCI/UCI5/layout.asp?MenuId=MTU3NDg&LangId=1

Rules:

http://www.uci.ch/Modules/BUILTIN/getObject.asp?MenuId=MTkzNg&ObjTypeCode=FILE&type=FI LE&id=34612&LangId=1

1. QUALIFICATION

(a) Eligibility

In order to be eligible to participate in the 2010 Youth Olympic Games, athletes must:

- (1) meet the performance standards prescribed by the Qualification System;
- (2) meet the age eligibility requirements prescribed by the Qualification System that is, born between 1 January 1992 and 31 December 1993
- (3) meet and continue to observe the eligibility requirements for Australian competitors described in the Olympic Charter;
- (4) satisfy the eligibility requirements detailed in: Section A: Preamble 2010 Cycling Australia General Selection Eligibility Criteria and Appeals Guide at;

http://www.cycling.org.au/default.asp?Page=8021&MenuID=High_Performance/2001 2/0

Note: Members of the 2010 Junior Track World Championship Team will be **INELIGIBLE** for nomination to the 2010 Australian Youth Olympic Team, due to event and preparation timing conflicts.

- (5) compete in the following Australian Championships events:
 - a) MALE athletes in the 2010 Australian Championships in their specialist discipline that immediately precedes the 2010 Youth Olympic Games, unless granted an exemption by reason of extenuating circumstances.
 - b) FEMALE athletes in EITHER the 2010 Australian BMX Championships OR the 2010 Australian MTB Championships.
 Refer to Section A: Preamble 2010 Cycling Australia General Selection Eligibility Criteria and Appeals Guide for details on Exemption through extenuating circumstances at; http://www.cycling.org.au/default.asp?Page=8021&MenuID=High_Performance/20012/0

(b) IF Qualification System

YOG Concept: Cycling will have three disciplines on the YOG program: Road (road race and time trial), Cross Country Mountain Bike and BMX. Each of the 32 countries that qualify will line up one team comprising three (3) men and one (1) woman in the U19 category. Medals will be awarded to teams and not to individuals, based on a general ranking produced after competitions. The participation of athletes in the various races is as follows:

Junior Men: (3 riders to be selected to compete in the below listed events)

- Mountain Bike Cross Country: (1 rider): duration 1h00' to 1h15' max
- Road Time Trial: (1 rider): distance: between 3km and 5 km
- BMX competition: (1 rider): rounds and finals (format to be confirmed)
- Road Race: (all 3 riders*) distance between 70km and 90km

Junior Women: (1 rider to be selected to do ALL events below)

- Mountain Bike Cross Country: duration 45' to 60' max
- Road Time Trial: distance between 2km and 4 km
- BMX competition: (1 rider): rounds and finals (format to be confirmed)

*All riders selected in the team must start ALL their targeted events (including road race for the men) – unless exempted by the UCI Doctor for medical reasons. If a rider does not finish (DNF) an event, he/she will be permitted a start in the next round, provided Commissaries judge that this is not a tactical DNF.

- (1) **Performance Time Period:** Commencing 1 January 2010 concluding 5pm 10 May 2010.
- (2) Final Team Size: The maximum national team size is subject to UCI/IOC allocated quotas this being 3 men and 1 woman.
- (3) **Long Team:** The Selectors may opt to select a Long Team at the conclusion of the performance time period stated in clause (1) above, to extend the opportunity for selectors to assess athletes in specific training camps and competitions to finalise the team to be nominated for selection.
- (4) **Final Team:** From the riders within the Long Team (see 3 above) the selectors will nominate the Final Team by to the AOC by 25 June 2010.

(c) IOC Quota Restrictions & Australian Team Size

For the sport of Cycling, a maximum of one team per NOC, consisting of 3 male and 1 female athletes will be nominated to the AOC for selection.

2. NOMINATION BY CYCLING AUSTRALIA

The YOG National Selection Committee: This will comprise of four Selectors. The CA/BMXA Head BMX Coach (Wade Bootes), CA Targeted Athletes Mountain Bike Cross Country Coach (Neil Ross), the National Technical Director (Kevin Tabotta) and Junior Road Selector (Rik Fulcher).

In order to be nominated by Cycling Australia for selection to the 2010 Australian Youth Olympic Team, the selectors will nominate athletes based on the following criteria:

Junior Men

a) BMX: (1 rider):

Selectors will assess performances of athletes in the below listed events and, in their discretion, nominate one rider with the greatest potential to deliver a top three result in the BMX event at the YOG. Suitability of the rider to deliver results on the proposed track for the YOG will be considered by selectors. Note: it is not compulsory for athletes to compete in all events.

- a) Nerang (1-2 January 2010)
- b) Canberra (5-6 March 2010)
- c) Shepparton (8 May 2010)
- d) National BMX Championships, Shepparton (9 May 2010)

b) Mountain Bike Cross Country (1 rider):

Selectors will assess performances of athletes in the below listed events and, in their discretion, nominate one rider with the greatest potential to deliver a top three result in the Mountain Bike Cross Country event at the YOG. Suitability of the rider to deliver results on the proposed course for the YOG will be considered by selectors. Note: it is not compulsory for athletes to compete in all events.

- National MTB XC Championships, Adelaide (13-17 January 2010)
- Thredbo, NSW (13-14 February 2010)
- Stromlo, ACT (13-14 March 2010)
- Oceania, NZL (19-21 March 2010)

In addition to the above MTB events, selectors will consider performances in the below listed Road Race & Race Time Trail events to assist with determining the potential for the MTB athlete to deliver top three result in the road race, or contribute in a team role to a top three place by another team member in the road race at the YOG.

c) Road Race & Road Time Trial (1 rider):

Selectors will assess performances of athletes in the following events and, in their discretion, nominate one rider with the greatest potential to deliver a result in the road race (60-90km) and also the road time trial (3 - 5 km) at the YOG.

Suitability of the rider to deliver results on the proposed courses for the YOG will be prioritised in the consideration of results by selectors.

- a) U19 Individual Pursuit, Australian Championships Adelaide 2–7 Feb 2010
- b) Australian U19 Points Race Championship, Adelaide 2–7 Feb 2010
- c) U19 Individual Time Trial and Road Races, National Road Series event 27–28 March 2010, Mersey Valley, Tasmania
- d) U19 Individual Time Trial, Road Race and Selection Road Race, Australian Championships, Murwillumbah 29 April–2 May 2010
- e) Australian U19 Road Race Championship, Murwillumbah 1 May 2010
- f) Australian U19 Criterium Championship, Murwillumbah 3 May 2010

d) Junior Women:

Selectors will assess individual performances of Junior U19 Women in the events listed below and, in their discretion, nominate the rider with the best potential to score an overall top three result across the three events in the YOG. Suitability of the rider to deliver results on the proposed courses for the YOG will be considered by selectors

- Mountain Bike Cross Country Results listed above.
- Individual Pursuit results in State and Australian Championships achieved within the Performance Time Period
- Individual Road Time Trial results in State and Australian Junior Championships achieved within the Performance Time Period
- BMX events listed above

Additionally, selectors reserve the right to arrange a trial in any of the disciplines – to assist with final decisions.

e) Reserves:

Reserve athletes will be identified by the selection panel and lodged with Cycling Australia by 25 June 2010. These names will not be announced and will be considered subject to the necessity arising through athlete unavailability, injury, illness or other. Selectors will make nominations for substitutions in accordance with the IOC/YOG late athlete replacement policy.

Reserves will not be part of the 2010 Australian Youth Olympic Team unless they replace a selected athlete.

If CA determines that an athlete who has been nominated to and selected by the AOC should be replaced by a Reserve athlete then:

- 1. CA will recommend to the AOC that the athlete is to be replaced; and
- 2. should the AOC (during the period of the 2010 Youth Olympic Games; the Chef de Mission of the 2010 Australian Youth Olympic Team) determine that the selected athlete should be replaced; then
- 3. CA may nominate a Reserve athlete for selection by the AOC (in accordance with this Nomination and Selection Criteria); and
- 4. the AOC (or during the period of the 2010 Youth Olympic Games, the Chef de Mission 2010 Australian Youth Olympic Team) may in its absolute discretion select that nominated Reserve athlete. In exercising its discretion, the AOC will be subject to any conditions that apply in relation to entry for the 2010 Youth Olympic Games.

f) Timing

The timeframe for the nomination and selection process of the 2010 Australian Youth Olympic Team is:

- Mon 10 May 2010 Deadline for submission of recorded times or results for Long Team selection purposes
- Mon 17 May 2010 Riders advised of their nomination to the Long Team, if a Long Team is named
- Fri 25 June 2010 Final Team nominations forwarded by selectors to the CA CEO
- Wed 30 June 2010 Final Team nominations submitted to the AOC
- Mon 5 July 2010 Final Team announced by the AOC as part of the 2010 Australian Youth Olympic Team.

3. SELECTION BY THE AOC

In order to be selected by the AOC as a member of the 2010 Australian Youth Olympic Team, each Athlete must:

- (1) have been nominated by Cycling Australia for selection by the AOC in accordance with Clause 2 of these Guidelines;
- (2) have signed (or if a minor, parent or guardian have signed) the 2010 Australian Youth Olympic Team Membership Agreement and agree to sign any entry form required by the IOC and the Organising Committee for the 2010 Youth Olympic Games;
- (3) have observed and continue to observe the provisions of the AOC's Constitution and its by-laws (as applicable) and must not have breached the AOC's Anti-Doping By-Law unless the athlete has already been sanctioned for the breach and has completed the sanction imposed. A copy of AOC By-Laws are available from olympics.com.au;
- (4) undergo medical assessment and testing (if requested) to the complete satisfaction of the AOC;
- (5) have disclosed information to the Athlete's NF or the AOC concerning any conduct that might breach the code of conduct required of Athletes selected to an Australian Youth Olympic Team under the 2010 Australian Youth Olympic Team Membership Agreement.
- (6) acknowledges that any matter arising under clauses (1) (5) above is to be determined, or breach thereof excused, by the AOC in its sole and absolute discretion.

If, in the opinion of the AOC, an Athlete fails to comply with one or more of the requirements in (1) - (6) above, that Athlete will be ineligible for selection by the AOC.

Cycling Australia will nominate athletes to the AOC for selection to the 2010 Australian Youth Olympic Team. The AOC has the sole and absolute discretion:

- (1) to determine whether an Athlete (or team where applicable) has met the requirements of selection;
- (2) to determine whether or not it should select the maximum number of Athletes (or teams where applicable) permitted by the Qualification System, notwithstanding the number of Athletes who may have met the requirements of selection and/or the Qualification System.

4. PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS

- (1) It is an IOC requirement that Athletes attend the 2010 Youth Olympic Games for the entire period of the Games 14 26 August 2010 (inclusive).
- (2) It is an IOC requirement that Athletes participate in the Culture and Education Sessions organised by the Singapore Youth Olympic Games Organising Committee during the Youth Olympic Games.
- (3) Prior to the commencement of the Youth Olympic Games, all athletes will be required to attend a Pre-Games Training and Preparation Camp to be held at Sydney Olympic Park, Sydney. The AOC will organise travel for interstate and NSW regional based athletes. The Camp is scheduled to take place from 11-12 August 2010. Athletes are required to participate in this Camp unless written approval otherwise has been provided by the AOC.

5. NON-COMPLIANCE

If an Athlete breaches any of the requirements of the Nomination and Selection criteria, the AOC may suspend or terminate the Athlete's selection to the Team or otherwise impose a sanction prescribed by the disciplining procedures set out in the AOC YOG Team Membership Agreement.

6. AMENDMENT TO SELECTION CRITERIA

This criteria may be amended or supplemented, particularly where matters arise which have not been considered in this criteria. All amendments must be approved by the CA Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and endorsed by the AOC. If approved, the CEO will provide written notice of any criteria amendment or supplement and will endeavour to give as much notice as possible to all persons affected by any such amendment or supplement.

7. COMMUNICATION

It is the responsibility of each athlete who has indicated their wish to be considered for nomination and selection to ensure that their full contact details have been provided to the HPM.

All **correspondence** should be forwarded to:

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