

# GUIDELINES FOR THE NOMINATION AND SELECTION OF THE 2010 AUSTRALIAN YOUTH OLYMPIC TEAM FOR SAILING AT THE 2010 YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES

#### A. INTRODUCTION

The inaugural Youth Olympic Games will be held in Singapore from 14-26 August 2010. The sailing events will be held in the following classes:

- Boys Windsurfer (Bic Techno 293);
- Girls Windsurfer (Bic Techno 293);
- Boys One Person Dinghy (Byte CII); and
- Girls One Person Dinghy (Byte CII).

This document must be read in conjunction with the ISAF – Qualification System for Youth Olympic Games 2010.

#### **B. QUALIFICATION EVENT**

#### **Date and Venue**

The Australian Youth Olympic Team for sailing will qualify through the Oceania Qualification Event. This event is the Australian Youth Sailing Championships to be held at Largs Bay Sailing Club, Adelaide, South Australia from 6-10 January 2010.

## C. SAILING EVENTS AND QUOTAS

Boy's Events	Girl's Events	
Boys Windsurfer – Bic Techno 293	Girls Windsurfer – Bic Techno 293	
Boys One Person Dinghy – Laser 4.7	Girls One Person Dinghy – Laser 4.7	

Quotas	Boys Windsurfer	Boys One Person Dinghy	Girls Windsurfer	Girls One Person Dinghy
Oceania	2	2	2	2
AOC	1		1	

There is a maximum of two places available per Event for Oceania. However, there is a maximum of one male and one female athlete per NOC for all the Events e.g. if Australia qualified athletes in all four Events, Australia would only be able to send one female and one male athlete.

#### D. ELIGIBILITY

#### **Athlete Eligibility**

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

- have signed the 2010 Australian Youth Olympic Team Membership Agreement and agree to sign any entry forms required by the IOC and the Organising Committee for the 2010 Youth Olympic Games;
- 2. meet the performance standards prescribed by the qualification system;
- 3. be born between 1 January 1994 and 31 December 1995;
- 4. meet and continue to observe the eligibility requirements for Australian athletes described in the IOC Olympic Charter;
- 5. have observed and continue to observe the provisions of the AOC's Constitution and it's 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;
- 6. undergo medical assessment and testing (if requested) to the complete satisfaction of the AOC;
- 7. have disclosed information to Yachting Australia or the AOC concerning any conduct that might breach the code of conduct required of athletes selected to an Australian Olympic Team under the 2010 Australian Youth Olympic Team Membership Agreement;
- 8. acknowledge that any matter arising under clauses 1 to 7 above is to be determined, or breach thereof excused, by the AOC in its sole and absolute discretion;
- be a current member of a yacht/sailing club affiliated with a State or Territory Yachting Association:
- 10. be a current Yachting Australia Youth cardholder;
- 11. comply with the ISAF Regulation 19.2 Eligibility Code;
- 12. comply with the ISAF Regulation 21 ISAF Anti-Doping Policy; and
- 13. comply with the gender requirements of an Event (for which they are seeking selection) of the 2010 Youth Olympic Games.

If, in the opinion of the AOC, an athlete fails to comply with one or more of the requirements above, that athlete will be ineligible for selection by the AOC.

#### **E. NOMINATION AND SELECTION**

#### Process, Nomination, Selection, Participation, Replacements and Disputes

#### **Process**

To be selected in the 2010 Australian Youth Olympic Team for sailing athletes must first qualify through the Oceania Qualification Event. Oceania comprises Australia, New Zealand, American Samoa, Cook Islands, FSo Micronesia, Fiji, Guam, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Tahiti, Solomon Islands and Vanuatu.

A Youth Olympic Games Nomination Point Score will be established based on the final overall results from the relevant Events at the 2010 Australian Youth Championships and will only include athletes from Oceania who are eligible to participate in the 2010 Youth Olympic Games.

Athletes must finish first or second in the Nation Ranking in their respective Event for Australia to be allocated a quota place.

The attached Nomination and Selection Priority Flow Chart will be utilised to determine which athletes will be nominated to the Australian Olympic Committee for the 2010 Youth Olympic Games.

Note: If Australia qualifies the maximum number of quota places at the Oceania Qualification Event, the World Championship results will not be considered in selecting the athletes to compete in the Youth Olympic Games.

#### **Nomination**

Nomination of Team Members to the 2010 Australian Youth Olympic Team will be subject to:

- a) A full commitment to all team training requirements and an on-going monitored personal competition and training program; and
- b) Athletes having signed any documentation required by the International Olympic Committee or Australian Olympic Committee to participate in the Youth Olympic Games.

Yachting Australia reserves the right to not nominate an athlete in an event. Any decision on the non-nomination will be made at the discretion of Yachting Australia in accordance with its policies and procedures.

Yachting Australia will provide its nominations to the Australian Olympic Committee (AOC) prior to 1 July 2010. Any nominations made after this deadline will be invalid unless made pursuant to a direction or award in respect of an appeal against a nomination to Yachting Australia and which the appeal had been lodged for non-nomination by 5pm on the second clear working day following the announcement of the Team.

# Selection

Yachting Australia will nominate athletes to the AOC for the selection of the 2010 Australian Youth Olympic Team.

The AOC has the sole and absolute discretion:

- 1. to determine whether an athlete has met the requirements of selection;
- 2. To determine whether an athlete who has not met the requirements of selection is still eligible for selection by the AOC;
- 3. To determine whether an athlete should not be selected for membership of the 2010 Australian Youth Olympic Team, notwithstanding that athlete has met the requirements of selection; and
- 4. to determine whether or not it should select the maximum number of athletes permitted by the qualification system, notwithstanding the number of athletes who may have met the requirements of selection and/or the qualification system.

# **Participation**

Athletes will be required to meet the participation requirements of the AOC as detailed below:

- Prior to the commencement of the Youth Olympic Games, all athletes will be required to attend a compulsory pre-Games Training and Preparation Camp to be held at Sydney Olympic Park, Sydney. The AOC will organize travel for inter-state and NSW regional based athletes. The camp is scheduled to take place from 11-12 August 2010.
- 2. Athletes will be required to attend the 2010 Youth Olympic Games for the entire period of the Games 14-26 August 2010 (inclusive).
- 3. Athletes are required to participate in the Culture and Education Sessions organized by the Singapore Youth Olympic Games Organising Committee during the Youth Olympic Games.

# Replacements

If a selected athlete suffers injury or illness, such athlete may be required to undertake a medical assessment by a Yachting Australia medical advisor. The athlete's membership of the Team may be removed in the event of the athlete failing to pass, to the satisfaction of Yachting Australia medical advisor, such medical assessment.

In the event an athlete needs to be replaced for any reason, Yachting Australia will select the replacement athlete in its absolute discretion for nomination to the AOC.

#### **Appeals and Disputes**

Where there is a conflict or dispute in respect of these guidelines for nomination or selection of the sailing athletes for the 2010 Australian Youth Olympic Team, Yachting Australia reserves the right to use its sole discretion in the resolving of the matter in conflict or dispute.

## **Non Compliance**

If an athlete breaches any of the requirements of this 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 by the AOC YOG Team Membership Agreement.