

AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL SHOOTING Ltd PARALYMPIC PREPARATION PROGRAM (PPP)

2009/2012 PPP HIGH PERFORMANCE SQUAD SELECTION POLICY

1. INTRODUCTION

This document incorporates the General Selection Policy and the Sport Specific Selection Criteria for the Australian International Shooting Ltd (AISL) Paralympics Preparation Program (PPP) high Performance Squad.

Please note that this selection policy covers the period from January 2009 to June 2012 and relates to the selection of athletes for the AISL PPP Squad only. The selection policy for Australian Team for the London 2012 Paralympics Games will be subject of separate document and will be published by the APC & AISL, as the qualification requirements and any Team quotas are made available by the IPC/Organizing Committee.

2. OBJECTIVES

- 1.1 To identify athletes with potential to successfully compete in the London 2012 Paralympics Games and to assist those athletes to achieve that goal.
- 1.2 To achieve the best possible results at the 2009/2012 International Competitions, World Championships and the London 2012 Paralympics Games.

This policy may be amended or supplemented by the Shooting Selection Panel in its discretion in order to achieve the above objectives and specifically where matters arise which have not been provided for in these criteria. Any amendment or supplement to these criteria must be first approved by the AISL. Any variation or amendment will be in writing, with as much notice as possible to all persons affected by any amendment or supplement to these criteria.

3. PPP HP SQUAD SELECTION PROCESS

All athletes wishing to be considered for selection must:

- 3.1 comply with the selection criteria for the AISL PPP Squad;
- 3.2 sign the AISL PPP HP Squad athlete acceptance and AISL Team agreement once selected to the squad.

Selection to the AISL PPP HP Squad will be by recommendations from the Shooting Selection Panel to the AISL for endorsement. The AISL will announce the PPP HP Squad.

4. PPP HP SQUAD GENERAL SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates for Squad membership will be required to shoot PQS Score for International Competitions as described below during the previous 12 months before entry into the Squads. Athletes who meet specific criteria described below will be eligible for selection into the AISL PPP HP Squad. AISL PPP HP Squad membership will be allocated by the AISL after recommendation from the Shooting Selection Panel.

Athletes with potential may also be selected to join the High Performance Development Squad at the PPP Head Coach discretion. These athletes may be invited into the Squad without shooting the PQS for International Competitions.

If due to health reasons or extenuating circumstance a person who has not completed the specific selection criteria, but is deemed to have potential to reach Paralympics Games may be invited into the Squad in certain circumstances by Shooting Selection Panel decision.

The AISL PPP HP Squads will be selected according to the following specific criteria:

AISL PPP HIGH PERFORMANCE SQUAD - LEVEL 1

In order to gain or maintain selection in the AISL PPP High Performance Squad at Level 1, athletes must:

- i.) be training for the London 2012 Paralympics Games in this sport and be considered by the PPP Head Coach for this sport to have the potential to represent Australia and perform at an optimal level at the London 2012 Paralympics Games; and
- ii.) have placed in the top ten in an individual event at the 2008 Paralympic Games or 2010 World Championships or in the top 8 at the European Championships '11; and/or
- iii.) be ranked number one on the national ranking list (Ranking System as Attachment 1.) with a score which is at PQS FOR INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS level or above on at least two occasions, in the one event, during the previous 12 months in International competitions (PQS scores for International Competitions are listed below); and
- iv.) athletes must meet the athlete eligibility criteria.

AISL PPP HPS – Level 1 athletes may be split into 2 funding levels and will be eligible for up to 100% funding for the first level and up to 90% for the second level, for approved AISL PPP shooting program activities. Funding may be varied depending on selected events.

AISL PPP HIGH PERFORMANCE & DEVELOPMENT SQUAD - LEVEL 2

In order to gain or maintain selection in the AISL PPP High Performance & Development Squad at Level 2, athletes must:

- i.) be training for the London 2012 Paralympics Games in this sport and be considered by the PPP Head Coach for this sport to have the potential to represent Australia and perform at an optimal level at the London 2012 Paralympics Games; and
- ii.) have achieved an PQS FOR INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS level or above on at least two occasions, in the one event, during the previous 12 months in an approved ranking or International competition; and
- iii.) athletes must meet the athlete eligibility criteria.

PPP HPDS – Level 2 athletes may be split into 2 funding levels and will be eligible for up to 70% funding for the first level and up to 50% for the second level, for approved PPP shooting program activities. Funding may be varied depending on selected events.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

1. AISL PPP HP Shooting Squad membership will be reevaluated in December each year.
2. The athletes who met the criteria or athletes recommended by PPP Head Coach may be invited into the squad at any time.
3. Shooting Selection Panel consists of:
National Head Coach, Assistant Coach, PPP Manager & AISL High Performance Manager

PQS FOR INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS

EVENT	CLASS	CATEGORY	QUALIFYING STANDARD
P1 AIR PISTOL	SH 1	MEN	560 PTS
P2 AIR PISTOL	SH 1	WOMEN	360 PTS
P3 SPORT PISTOL .22	SH 1	MIXED	560 PTS
P4 FREE PISTOL .22	SH 1	MIXED	525 PTS
R1 AIR RIFLE STANDING	SH 1	MEN	583 PTS
R2 AIR RIFLE STANDING	SH 1	WOMEN	384 PTS
R3 AIR RIFLE PRONE	SH 1	MIXED	598 PTS
R4 AIR RIFLE STANDING	SH 2	MIXED	595 PTS
R5 AIR RIFLE PRONE	SH 2	MIXED	598 PTS
R6 PRONE MATCH .22	SH 1	MIXED	585 PTS
R7 FREE RIFLE (3X40)	SH 1	MALE	1130 PTS
R8 SPORT RIFLE (3X20)	SH 1	WOMEN	555 PTS
R9 PRONE MATCH .22*	SH 2	MIXED	587 PTS*

*For the World Championships only.

ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

In order to gain and maintain selection on the AISL PPP HP Squads, athletes must also:

- i.) hold a current passport or are able to obtain a passport;
- ii.) be a member of or registered with a National Sporting Organization for the Disabled (NSOD) and endorsed by the NSOD;
- iii.) be a member of a registered club that is affiliated with Pistol Australia or Target Rifle Australia.
- iv.) satisfy the APC that their classification is correct. (The classification of each athlete must be confirmed prior to application for selection in the AISL PPP HP Squad. All athletes must meet the classification requirements of their NSOD and appropriate documentation must be sighted by the APC and copied to the PPP Head Coach).
- v.) meet the IPC eligibility criteria (residency / citizenship) and the age limit restrictions as listed in the IPC rules or set by their international disability organization.
- vi.) maintain a professional approach and attitude at all times;
- vii.) be training under an accredited and approved shooting (rifle or pistol, as relevant) coach;
- viii.) strictly follow the training program designed for the athlete by the athlete's personal coach in consultation with the PPP Head Coach;
- ix.) attend training camps and competition identified as being necessary for the athlete's development as determined by the athlete's personal coach in consultation with the PPP Head Coach;
- x.) complete and return an accurate training report to the PPP Head Coach on a monthly basis;
- xi.) submit copies of the official results for all competitions competed to the PPP Head Coach on a monthly basis;
- xii.) advise the PPP Head Coach immediately of any injury or illness if the injury or illness requires the athlete to stop or modify their training and/or competition program;
- xiii.) maintain or improve the performance standard on which they were selected; and

- xiv.) acknowledge and accept that there may be some personal expense involved in attending the camps, competitions, and any other activities outlined in the AISL PPP; and
- xv.) meet all other requirements of the AISL PPP Athlete Acceptance Agreement.
- xvi) complete all requirements for ASADA, including completing the forms and submitting them in a timely manner.

5. AISL PPP HP SQUAD

The Shooting PPP HP Squad will consist of a maximum of 12 athletes.

The athletes selected in the AISL PPP HP Squad will be those athletes whom the Shooting Selection Panel considers are the athletes most likely to make up the Australian Team for the London 2012 Paralympics Games.

Attachment 1.

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NATIONAL RANKING SYSTEM AND SELECTION POLICY 2009-2012

The national ranking system has been set up for each event (rifle & pistol) along the lines of the international system which utilizes raw scores from designated competitions.

RANKING

A ranking list will be compiled by allocating each shooter the scores from their **three** best results from the **designated competitions** below:

DESIGNATED COMPETITIONS

- AISL AUSTRALIA CUP 1
- AISL AUSTRALIA CUP 2
- AISL AUSTRALIA CUP 3
- AISL AUSTRALIA CUP 4
- AISL AUSTRALIA CUP FINAL
- AISL INTERNATIONAL GRAND PRIX
- NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

- **Results achieved at Paralympics, World Champ, European Champ, Oceania and International Competitions where AISL has approved attendance to compete will be automatically taken into account for the RANKING LIST, if higher than any of scores achieved at designated competitions.**

Other events as appropriate may be designated from time to time.

A minimum of three scores must be presented in each twelve month period. Once the result taken in account for the RANKING LIST has passed twelve month period, that result will be dropped, and next result will be taken into account for the RANKING LIST.

2. SELECTION

2.1 This Policy applies to nomination and/or selection for all international competitions. Nominations/Selection of shooters/teams for international competitions will be done on the basis of position on the ranking list and past performance at international competitions. Only AISL PPP HP Squad members will be consider for nomination/selection for an international competitions.

Where it is deemed that there have been insufficient competitions available to all shooters, an open trial competitions may be arranged which has to be attended by all those interested in selection.

All nominees are subject to any Wheelchair Sports Australia and/or Australian Paralympics Committee selection policies.

- The size and composition of teams will be governed by ISCD limitations or limitations imposed by the host Country and/or AISL/APC finances.

- The person first on the RANKING LIST will be nominated/selected first provided the required two PQS for international competitions have been met.

- Remaining places in the team will be decided from a short list compiled from the top 5 placed shooters on the Ranking List, provided the required 2 PQS for international competitions have been met.
- On the recommendation from PPP Head Coach, athlete with potential may be nominated/selected with no PQS scores achieved.
- Scores achieved in international competitions during the previous twelve months will be taken into consideration.
- Where individuals have an equal score on the RANKING LIST, the person with the higher individual result at the designated competitions/international competitions will be ranked higher, and then the second higher score in the designated competitions ... until a tie is broken. Where two or more athletes have all the scores the same, their ranking will be determined in accordance with the ISSF Tie-breaking rule.
- If the scores achieved by competitors in particular event are not of a sufficiently high standard, the decision may be taken not to fill some places in a team. This decision to be made by the AISL Selectors Panel.
- Each year's program of designated events is to be notified to all shooters through the website as early as possible in the previous year in an annual competition calendar.
- This ranking/selection policy has been in effect since January 1 1997 and is reviewed annually.

Illness/Misadventure/Extenuating Circumstances

In considering the performances of athletes at events, trials or training camps, AISL Shooting Selection Panel may in their discretion give weight to extenuating circumstances such as but not limited to illness and injury, travel delays, and bereavement on a case-by-case basis. Athlete unable to compete must advise the PPP Head Coach on this fact and the reasons therefore before the commencement of the events trials or training camps. In case of illness or injury, athletes may be required to undergo a medical examination by a doctor or doctors nominated by the AISL.

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