

Nomination and Selection Criteria for the 2019 Australian Pacific Games Team

Volleyball Australia

1. QUALIFICATION

Quota Restrictions & Australian Team Size

The Organising Committee has imposed a maximum limit of athletes per nation competing at the 2019 Pacific Games in Samoa.

2. NOMINATION BY VOLLEYBALL AUSTRALIA (VA)

Expressions of Interest

Athletes wishing to be considered for selection are required to submit an Expression of Interest to VA by 28 February 2019. The Expression of Interest form can be found on the VA website:

www.volleyballaustralia.org.au

Selection Committee

The nomination by VA to the AOC of athletes for selection to the Samoa 2019 Pacific Games will be undertaken by a VA Beach Volleyball Nomination Committee (*Nomination Committee*). That Nomination Committee will submit its recommendation to the VA Board for nomination to the AOC for selection.

A separate Nomination Committee will be appointed for each gender consisting of:

- High Performance Director (Chair)
- VA Beach Volleyball Head Coach
- Head Coach of the VA Centre of Excellence
- One or two other person(s) with international Beach Volleyball experience, but unconnected to the teams/athletes standing for selection.

If a member of the Nomination Committee has a direct coaching relationship or other close connection with a team or athlete being considered for selection, that person will disclose the relationship and may or may not take part in the selection decision concerning that team or athlete, at the Chair's discretion.

Nomination Criteria

In making its recommendations, the Nomination Committee will take into account the following Nomination Criteria:

- VA, FIVB (*Federation Internationale de Volleyball*), and AOC eligibility criteria.
- Relevant FIVB Rankings at the time of making the Nomination Decision.
- Australian Beach Volleyball Rankings

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- Individual and team international results in 2018, 2019 and 2020 as appropriate.
- The perceived ability of the team/athletes to achieve the best results in the 2019 Samoa Pacific Games.
- The perceived ability of the team/athletes to qualify for the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games.
- The team's/athlete's availability to compete in and prepare for the 2019 Samoa Pacific Games e.g. availability to train at the national training centre where appropriate.
- The team's/athlete's commitment to the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games, and to following the national direction as specified by the VA Beach Volleyball Head Coach and the HPD.
- The perceived potential for development as individuals for the 2024 Olympic Games and 2022 Commonwealth Games.
- Timely provision to the VA HPD and Head Coach of the team's/athlete's performance plan, injury and fitness and competition readiness status, and their commitment to performance monitoring and reporting.
- Attendance at national camps as notified by the VA HPD and Head Coach.
- Domestic Tour results in 2019 will be taken into account at the Selection Committee's discretion; and
- Injury status and competition readiness.

The Selection Committee may also determine that participation and results of a play-off may be used to make any final decision, provided advance notice of this has been given to the teams/athletes concerned.

Timing

VA will nominate athletes for selection to the AOC when required by the AOC, but no later than 5pm AEDT on Monday, 13 May 2019.

3. SELECTION BY THE AOC

To be selected by the AOC as a member of the Samoa 2019 Pacific Games Australian Team, each Athlete must:

- (1) have been nominated by VA 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 Samoa 2019 Pacific Games Team Membership Agreement and agree to sign any entry form required by the Organising Committee for the 2019 Pacific Games;
- (3) have observed and continue to observe the provisions of the AOC's Constitution, Ethical Behaviour By-Law 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 is 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 Pacific Games Team under the Samoa 2019 Pacific Games Team Membership Agreement; and
- (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.

VA will nominate athletes to the AOC for selection to the 2019 Pacific Games 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 Organising Committee, notwithstanding the number of Athletes who may have met the requirements of selection.

5. NON-COMPLIANCE

If an Athlete breaches any of the requirements of these Nomination and Selection criteria, the AOC may suspend or terminate the Athlete's selection to the 2019 Samoa Pacific Games or otherwise impose a sanction prescribed by the disciplining procedures set out in the 2019 Samoa Pacific Games Team Membership Agreement.

6. NO APPEAL GROUNDS

The appeal mechanism set out in the AOC Olympic Team Selection By-Law does not apply to the 2019 Pacific Games Team.