

## APPENDIX “A”

# Shooting Federation of Canada Internal Team Nomination Procedures Commonwealth Games 2018

### **Introduction**

The purpose of this document is to describe procedures and criteria that will be used to internally select the 2018 Commonwealth Games Shooting Team.

**Athlete Eligibility** – For an Athlete to be eligible for nomination to the 2018 Commonwealth Games Team, the Athlete must:

- Be a member in good standing of the Shooting Federation of Canada (SFC);
- Be a Canadian citizen; if naturalized, the ISSF international participation rule will be applicable (Article 3.6 Entry and Participation, item 3.6.3.3). Athletes must be fully eligible to represent Canada at the time of selection and/or any applicable Trials;
- Be an \*eligible member in good standing of the 2018 SFC High Performance Program - National Team or Development Team. Such membership implies adherence to all terms and conditions of the SFC Athlete Agreement and payment in full of the SFC National Team Trials Fee of \$25 and any outstanding accounts receivable owing the SFC;  
(\*Eligible athletes are defined as National or Development Team athletes who have shot a ‘travel score’ applicable to the 2018 competitive season).
- Not use or be in possession of, by medical prescription or otherwise unless approved by a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE), any drug that is on the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Prohibited List or engage in any method or activity that would be in contravention to the Canadian Anti-Doping Program or World Anti-Doping Code;
- Have signed and submitted the Commonwealth Games Athlete Agreement and Eligibility Conditions for the 2018 Commonwealth Games no later than (TBA);
- Hold a valid Canadian passport that does not expire on or prior to October 31, 2018.

### **Decision Making Authority**

The SFC Executive has charged the High Performance Committee (HPC) with making final internal nomination decisions subject to its ratification.

### **Team Selection**

These criteria apply to Commonwealth Games contested shooting events only and exclude Full Bore rifle which has been dealt with elsewhere under Dominion of Canada Rifle Association jurisdiction.

Commonwealth Games shooting team eligibility and participation is restricted to members in good standing of the Shooting Federation of Canada who have qualified for the 2018 National and Development Teams

Athletes will be ranked for nomination to the Commonwealth Games Team following publication of results from all applicable 2017 High Performance Team Trials (HPTT):

HPTT Trap	July 23 – 30, 2017	Pan Am Legacy Range Cookstown ON
HPTT Rifle	July 28 – August 4, 2017	Pan Am Legacy Range Cookstown ON
HPTT Skeet	July 30 – August 4, 2017	Pan Am Legacy Range Cookstown ON
HPTT Pistol	July 30 – August 7, 2017	Pan Am Legacy Range Cookstown ON

Due to the limited number of positions (a total of 4), provided to shooting events by the Commonwealth Games Association of Canada (CGC), the quotas for Commonwealth Games positions will be allocated as follows:

- 1) Two (2) athlete positions will be allocated to Full Bore to comply with Commonwealth Games Association of Canada quotas.
- 2) Two (2) athlete positions will be allocated to the SFC to comply with Commonwealth Games Association of Canada quotas.
- 3) To determine which 2018 eligible SFC athletes will be nominated to represent Canada at the 2018 Gold Coast Commonwealth Games, a comparison based on score (twice through the course of fire excluding finals) will be made between all top two (2) athletes in the Olympic program events.

The best course of fire from each athlete's two qualification rounds will be entered in the Canadian Shooting Athlete Ranking System (CSARS) formula resulting in the calculation of the top two athletes across all disciplines and events.

Formula for ranking in each event\*:

$$\left[ \frac{\text{Athlete Score} - \text{NT Cut Score}}{\text{NT Cut Score}} \right] \times 100 = \text{Athlete Percentage}$$

$$\left[ \frac{\text{World Record} - \text{NT Cut Score}}{\text{NT Cut Score}} \right] \times 100 = \text{Max Percentage}$$

$$\text{Athlete Ranking Number} = \frac{\text{Athlete Percentage}}{\text{Max Percentage}}$$

[i.e. If an athlete shoots equal to the SFC National Team cut score for their event, the ranking number will be '0', if below the cut score they will get a negative number (e.g. -0.5), if above the cut score a positive number (e.g. +0.5), if equal to the world record they will get a '1'.]

- 4) The Shooting Federation of Canada's "long-list" of eligible athletes required by CGC will be produced from the above process at the end of the competitive shooting season (October 31, 2017) to allow athletes the maximum potential to obtain travel scores. Long-listed athletes must comply with and complete all necessary Commonwealth Games Canada paperwork and requirements if they wish to be considered for any allotted quota spots or any future quota spots that may become available.
- 5) An athlete may achieve one quota spot only. Where an athlete qualifies in more than one event, the vacated Commonwealth quota will be moved to the next qualified athlete as determined by the CSARS.
- 6) If an athlete qualifies for a quota and is ranked in the Top 5 of Commonwealth Countries as per the CGC 2018 Gold Coast Athlete Team Size Policy, their participation will be fully funded.
- 7) If an athlete qualifies for a quota and is NOT ranked in the Top 5 of Commonwealth Countries as per the CGC 2018 Gold Coast Athlete Team Size Policy, their participation will be on a self-funded basis.

- 8) If an athlete, who has been allocated a quota spot declines participation, the next ranked athlete from the SFC "long-list" will be granted the quota spot. This process will continue until both quotas are filled.
- 9) Athletes must qualify to compete in an Olympic event prior to being considered for selection to compete in a non-Olympic event at the 2018 Gold Coast Games. For the purposes of these criteria, the non-Olympic events that will be contested at Gold Coast are Women's Prone Rifle and Women's Double Trap.

Any female athlete who has qualified for the 2018 Commonwealth Games in an Olympic rifle or trap event will be eligible and have the option to shoot the non-Olympic discipline event at the Gold Coast Games.

- 10) The above criteria are final and supersede all other issued Commonwealth Games Athlete Selection criteria.

### **Ties**

Ties within events will be broken in accordance with ISSF rules and regulations. Ties between disciplines will be broken based on High Performance Committee interpretation of international performance.

### **Performance Readiness**

If an athlete's performance or attitude deteriorates to a point that necessitates the High Performance Committee to question the appropriateness of the athlete competing at the Commonwealth Games, or if an athlete withdraws from the event for personal or injury reasons, the HPC retains the right to replace the athlete with an alternate athlete identified according to the formula noted above.

### **Confirmation of Entries**

Final entries by name are to be submitted to CGC no later than January 31, 2018 (TBC).

### **Late Athlete Replacement Policy**

All substitutions after the nominations are submitted to the CGC on (date TBD) are subject to CSF/ISSF regulations and procedures.

### **Appeals**

An appeal against a selection decision of the SFC High Performance Committee may be made as per the published SFC appeal policy.

### **Unforeseen Circumstances**

In the event of unforeseen circumstances beyond the control of the SFC that prevent the High Performance Committee from fairly implementing these internal nomination procedures as written, the HPC shall have full discretion to resolve the matter as it sees fit, taking into account factors and circumstances that are deemed relevant.

Any changes due to unforeseen circumstances shall be posted to the SFC website and communicated directly to all members of the 2018 High Performance Program either electronically or by mail.

### **Changes to this document**

The High Performance Committee of the Shooting Federation of Canada reserves the right to make changes to this document that may become necessary due to a typographical error or a lack of clarity in a definition or wording, before it has an impact on athletes. Such changes must be reasonably justifiable in accordance with fundamental principles of natural justice and procedural fairness. Any changes to this document shall be posted to the SFC website and communicated directly to all members of the 2018 High Performance Program either electronically or by mail.

**Coach Selection**

Discipline coaches in rifle, pistol, trap, and skeet events will be named at the discretion of the High Performance Committee. An appeal against a selection decision of the SFC High Performance Committee may be made as per the published SFC appeal policy.