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2018 Gold Coast Games – Selection Criteria – Badminton

Agreement between Jersey Badminton Association and the Commonwealth Games Association of Jersey confirming agreement of the Selection Criteria applicable to selection of athletes to represent Team Jersey at the 2018 Commonwealth Games to be held at Gold Coast City, Australia..

Dear Secretary,

I attach a copy of the Selection Criteria paper which has been approved by the Association's Validation Group applicable to the nomination of athletes by your Association competing in the sport of Badminton for consideration for selection to represent Team Jersey at the 2018 Gold Coast Games.

Please check through this paper very carefully to ensure that the members of the Validation Group have the correct version of your Association's Selection Criteria paper. Selection Criteria from all member sports have been amended during the validation process and it is essential that there is agreement before the paper is published on the CGAJ's website and published and distributed to athletes within your sport.

If agreed please have the confirmation below signed by the President or Secretary (or equivalent) of your Association and return this letter to me as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

Graham Huelin
Chairman CGAJ Validation Group

I JEAN CROSS as Office held PRESIDENT of Jersey Badminton Association acknowledge and agree the attached Selection Criteria for the 2018 Gold Coast Games to be the final version prepared by us and agreed with the Validation Group

Signed

Date

22/4/17

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English Tournament Structure and Ranking System - Overview

The English tournament structure is split into four categories, in which players' results form the basis for the English National Ranking system. English National rankings are prepared monthly based on players' results in the previous 12 months on a rolling basis. The total points achieved in a player's best 6 results in that rolling 12 month period are divided by 6 to reach an average. Any player who has less than 6 results in the period is therefore at a disadvantage. In order to achieve and retain a 'fair' ranking a player needs to play a minimum of 6 tournaments in the rolling 12 month period and may improve his/her ranking by playing more tournaments thereby possibly dropping poorer results from the ranking calculation.

In addition Badminton England publish quarterly a National Grading for players of all ages based upon results in sanctioned tournaments. Entries to some tournaments are restricted by Grade.

Separate rankings are prepared for Men's and Ladies Singles, Men's and Ladies Doubles, and Men's and Ladies Mixed doubles.

The four standards of tournaments are:

- The English Nationals which occur once a year and are the pinnacle of the English tournament circuit,
- the Gold circuit (8 tournaments a season),
- the Silver circuit (24 tournaments a season), and
- the Bronze circuit (22 tournaments a season).

Points are awarded based on the level of tournament and the progression through the rounds at each tournament.

Gold Circuit

The Gold circuit is aimed at elite squad players and strong county players

Silver/Bronze Circuit

The Silver circuit is aimed at county players and strong league players

Selection Criteria

The JBA has established the following Selection Criteria that will be applied by the JBA in nominating players for selection to compete for Team Jersey at the 2018 Commonwealth Games. These Selection Criteria have been established in line with guidelines issued by Commonwealth Games Association of Jersey (CGAJ) in its paper entitled "Team Selection Process of Team Jersey-2018 Games" which governs the selection process as a whole. The paper can be found on the CGAJ website <http://www.cgaj.org/>.

In particular CGAJ have set an expectation that each sport should be targeting athletes who are able to compete at a standard that would have a reasonable expectation of achieving a "round of 32" result.

Performance Indicators based on National ranking produced by Badminton England on a month by month basis:

Men's & Ladies Singles	Top 40
Men's & Ladies Doubles	Top 60
Mens & Ladies Mixed Doubles	Top 60

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Additional Notes

1. National Rankings to be achieved in at least one month in any of the 6 months prior to the final date for selection.
2. Account will be taken of the number and the standard of tournament competed by each player but there is an expectation that players will have competed silver or gold tournaments.
3. Players should be able to demonstrate in some detail matches competed at all such tournaments including match scores and results and the ranking of the competitor in each case.
4. Account will be taken of a player's ability to demonstrate an improving trend in both the standard of tournaments competed and the quality of results achieved.
5. A player's long term development potential and aspirations may also to be considered and taken into account

Other Considerations

In addition the following principles are required of players to represent Jersey at the Commonwealth Games:

- Players are required to register their intention to seek selection as part of Team Jersey at the beginning of 2016 with Commonwealth Games Association of Jersey.
- Players must commit to JBA junior/senior training sessions. This will include additional training sessions arranged for specific competitions to ensure players are well prepared.
- Players are expected to make themselves available to participate in Jersey events to include; Jersey Closed, Jersey Open, Inter Insulars and Island Games
- Players based outside of the Island will need to show commitment to regular training and play in their respective local leagues and tournaments
- Players are expected to maintain training log books and tournament planners and submit these for review periodically as requested
- The JBA is also introducing periodic player fitness testing which players will need to adhere to.

Players aiming to achieve selection for Team Jersey should be aware that achieving the Performance Indicators described above does not of itself guarantee selection:-

- Demonstrating commitment to the planned training, preparation and competition schedule evidenced by training log books and tournament planners is equally important; and
- If more athletes are confirmed to have achieved the performance indicators stated above than there are places in the event available to Team Jersey then the JBA will provisionally select the athlete(s) to represent Team Jersey in the relevant event.
- The Commonwealth Games Federation have imposed a cap on the overall team size of Team Jersey of 33 athletes across all sports¹ with no specific allocation between sports. If more than 33 athletes achieve the selection criteria for their respective sports then a Final Selection will be made by the Validation Group of the CGAJ.

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Note ¹ This excludes team sports in which Team Jersey does not normally compete and Beach Volleyball which was added late as a 2018 Games sport and whose athlete numbers will be added to Team Jersey if they achieve their relevant Selection Criteria.

Conclusion

The Jersey Badminton Association have set the criteria at a level that, if achieved, will demonstrate a player's ability, consistency, training ethic and desire to succeed. To accomplish the required criteria players will have validated their commitment, talent and passion which include travelling to the mainland at their expense to participate in UK tournaments.

The JBA considers the Selection Criteria set are extremely challenging for our sport. A player who successfully meets the criteria will be of a high calibre, to ensure they are best prepared to compete at a Commonwealth Games.

JBA President

Jean Cross