

**2016 AUSTRALIAN OLYMPIC TEAM
MODERN PENTATHLON AUSTRALIA
NOMINATION CRITERIA – MODERN PENTATHLON**

NOTE: The AOC reserves the right to require amendments to the Nomination Criteria and amend its Selection Criteria as necessary, particularly where there is a change to the Qualification System or significant circumstances affecting the nomination process.

1 Nomination Goal

Modern Pentathlon Australia's (MPA's) goal at the 2016 Olympic Games, Rio de Janeiro is to achieve a podium result in the women's competition and a top 24 result in the men's competition.

2 Shadow Team

- (1) MPA will choose Athletes from within its sport to be members of the AOC's Shadow Team. The AOC may also recognise other Athletes from within this sport to be members of the Shadow Team.
- (2) During the period from the conclusion of the identified MPA Nomination Trial/s until the conclusion of the 2015 Oceania Championships, up to a maximum of four (4) Athletes per gender will be members of the Shadow Team.
- (3) Shadow Team membership is a prerequisite to selection by MPA to compete in the 2015 Oceania Championships. It is anticipated that entries into the 2015 Oceania Championships will be limited to four (4) Athletes per gender per nation. In accordance with the UIPM Qualification System, the highest ranked Oceania Athlete from the 2015 Oceania Championships will be allocated the continental quota place to compete at the 2016 Olympic Games, Rio de Janeiro. Nomination by MPA to the AOC for selection to the 2016 Australian Olympic Team will be made in accordance with clause 3.
- (4) In order to be chosen by MPA as a member of the Shadow Team each Athlete must:
 - (a) be an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia; and
 - (b) be ranked in the top four (4) male Athletes or top four (4) female Athletes at the conclusion of the 2014/15 MPA Nomination Trial/s based on their highest overall score achieved in a Nomination Trial; and
 - (c) subject to clause 4, have competed in at least one (if more than one is held) of the 2014/15 MPA Nomination Trial/s; and
 - (d) have achieved a minimum score of 1215 total points for men or 1105 total points for women on at least one occasion at a 2014/15 MPA Nomination Trial; and
 - (e) have scored 250 points or more in the Ride on at least one occasion at a 2014/15 MPA Nomination Trial; and
 - (f) have achieved the following times for both the swim and combined event disciplines on at least one occasion each at a 2014/15 MPA Nomination Trial:
 - (i) **Swim**
Male: 2.15.00 (long course) or 2.11.80 (short course)
Female: 2.25.00 (long course) or 2.21.80 (short course)

(ii) Combined

Male: 13.20

Female: 14.30

For the avoidance of doubt, the standards required at clause 2(4)(d), (e) and (f)(i) and (ii) do not all need to be achieved at the same Nomination Trial (if more than one Nomination Trial is held).

- (5) The 2014/15 MPA Nomination Trial/s have been tentatively scheduled as follows, with exact details to be confirmed by MPA by 1st September 2014 and communicated to all prospective Athletes:
- (a) Trial #1: 13/14 December 2014, Brisbane
 - (b) Trial #2: 17/18 January 2015, Melbourne
- (6) In the event that the number of eligible Athletes who meet the performance and participation requirements of clause 2(4) is less than the number of available entries to the 2015 Oceania Championships, the MPA Selection Panel may, in their absolute discretion, add additional athletes to the Shadow Team if:
- (a) an eligible Athlete is considered by the MPA Selection Panel to have otherwise demonstrated significant results and/or potential in domestic and/or international competitions within the previous 12 months; The MPA Selection Panel, if applicable, will announce the name/s of the Athlete/s added to the Shadow Team under this clause 2(6)(a) by 5pm on the date one week following the conclusion of the final 2015 MPA Nomination Trial;
 - or
 - (b) an eligible Athlete has made the final of any one of the 2014 UIPM World Cups or 2014 World Championships or any of the 2015 World Cups held in advance of the 2015 Oceania Championships. If any of these World Cup or World Championship events are a direct final, then the Athlete must have finished in the top 75% (female) or 85% (male) of the field. The MPA Selection Panel, if applicable, will announce the name/s of the Athlete/s to be added to the Shadow Team by 5pm on the date one week following the conclusion of the final applicable World Cup or World Championship event.
- (7) An Athlete who is not chosen by the MPA Selection Panel to be a member of the Shadow Team in accordance with clause 2(6) above may apply to MPA and the AOC jointly to be included as a member of the Shadow Team. MPA and the AOC will consider such applications consistent with the factors outlined in clause 2(6) and the likelihood of the Athlete concerned being nominated for selection as a member of the 2016 Australian Olympic Team, as determined by MPA and the AOC.
- Applications in accordance with this clause 2(7) must be received in writing within 48 hours of the respective announcements by the MPA Selection Panel as prescribed in clause 2(6). The MPA Selection Panel will notify Athlete/s having made an application under this clause within 24 hours of receipt.
- (8) If an eligible Athlete not already a member of the Shadow Team is allocated a quota place by the UIPM in accordance with the UIPM Qualification System (Attachment 3) based on performances at the 2015 UIPM World Cup Final, 2015 UIPM World Championships, 2016 World Championships and UIPM World Rankings as at 1 June 2016, they will automatically be added by MPA to the Shadow Team.
- (9) In order to be recognised as a member of the Shadow Team the Athlete must have signed:

- (a) the Consent to Shadow Team Membership Form (Attachment 1) and in the case of minors, the Parents/Guardians Acknowledgment for Minors Form (Attachment 2) and provided it to the MPA High Performance Manager, Peter Ridgeway at PO Box1, Officer, Victoria, 3809; and
 - (b) the statutory declaration regarding anti-doping matters as required by the AOC from time to time (FORM 2, attached) and provide the original to the AOC at PO Box R1788 Royal Exchange NSW 1225.
- (10) MPA will provide all Athletes chosen or recognised as members of the Shadow Team with the Guide to Olympic Team Selection, the Selection Criteria and this Nomination Criteria. The AOC Olympic Team Selection By-Law and the Qualification System will be made available on the AOC's website (www.olympics.com.au).
 - (11) MPA will advise the AOC of the Athletes that it has chosen as members of the Shadow Team at such time as required by the AOC.
 - (12) If an Athlete breaches the requirements of the Nomination Criteria, the Selection Criteria or the AOC Olympic Team Selection By-Law, MPA or the AOC may suspend or terminate the Athlete's membership of the Shadow Team.

3 **Nomination of Athletes**

For the purposes of nomination to the AOC of Athletes for selection to the 2016 Australian Olympic Team MPA will:

- (1) only nominate, subject to clause 3(2) below, those Athletes who have met the UIPM Qualification System requirements and have been allocated a quota place to compete at the 2016 Olympic Games;
- (2) in the event three or more Athletes qualify for the 2016 Olympic Games under the UIPM Qualification System, only nominate the two highest ranked Athletes per gender according to the UIPM World Ranking List of 1 June 2016;
- (3) only nominate Athletes who are, or are recognised by the AOC as, members of the Shadow Team;
- (4) only nominate those Athletes it honestly believes have met the requirements described in the Selection Criteria;
- (5) only nominate those Athletes who have signed the AOC statutory declaration regarding anti-doping matters as required by the AOC from time to time;
- (6) not nominate more Athletes (including reserves) than the maximum number permitted under the Qualification System;
- (7) not nominate Athletes who have breached the AOC Anti-Doping By-Law unless the Athlete has already been sanctioned for the breach and has completed the sanction imposed;

4 **Illness/Misadventure/Extenuating Circumstances**

This clause will only apply in determining whether an Athlete has met the additional criteria imposed by clause 2(4):

- (1) In considering the performances of Athletes at events, trials, or other attendances required under clause 2(4) of this Nomination Criteria the MPA Selection Panel may in their discretion give weight to extenuating circumstances.

- (2) For the purposes of this clause 4, “extenuating circumstances” means an inability to compete and/or attend events, trials, training camps or other attendances arising from:
 - (a) injury or illness;
 - (b) equipment failure (where applicable);
 - (c) travel delays;
 - (d) bereavement or disability arising from death or serious illness of an immediate family member; and/or
 - (e) any other factors reasonably considered by MPA to constitute extenuating circumstances.
- (3) Athletes unable to compete at events, trials, or other attendances required under this Nomination Criteria must advise the MPA President in writing of this fact and the reasons before the commencement of the events, trials, training camps or other attendances required under this Nomination Criteria.
- (4) In the case of illness or injury, Athletes will be required to undergo a medical examination by a doctor or doctors nominated by MPA.
- (5) A decision in each case of extenuating circumstances will be made by the MPA Selection Panel on an individual basis. Any such decision will not be binding on the AOC.

5 **Making of Nominations**

Nominations by the MPA must be received by the AOC by 5pm AEST on Monday 4 July 2016. Nominations made after this deadline (or within such further deadline as the AOC may allow) will be invalid unless made pursuant to a direction or award in respect of an appeal against non-nomination to the MPA Appeal Tribunal or the Court of Arbitration for Sport pursuant to the AOC’s Olympic Team Selection By-Law and which appeal had been commenced prior to the deadline for receipt of nominations by the AOC.

The deadline for receipt of nominations by the AOC applies irrespective of any deadline prescribed under the Qualification System or by the Organising Committee for the 2016 Olympic Games.

6 **Amendments to Nomination Criteria**

This Nomination Criteria may be amended by MPA with the prior written approval of the AOC. Any amended Nomination Criteria will be distributed by MPA by email to members of the Shadow Team, posted on the MPA and AOC websites and brought to the attention of all prospective Athletes.

7 **Interpretation**

- (1) Words used in this Nomination Criteria have the same meaning ascribed to them in the AOC’s Olympic Team Selection By-Law unless a contrary meaning appears from the context.
- (2) In this Nomination Criteria the following words and phrases have the following meanings:

“MPA Selection Panel”	comprises Kitty Chiller, Peter Ridgeway and John Boulton or other persons as appointed by MPA from time to time.
“UIPM”	Means Union Internationale de Pentathlon Moderne

8 **Law**

This document is governed by the laws applicable in the State of New South Wales.

FORM 1A

2016 AUSTRALIAN OLYMPIC TEAM

CONSENT TO SHADOW TEAM MEMBERSHIP

[insert name of NF]

[insert name of Athlete]

I consent to being a member of the Shadow Team for nomination by the above NF for selection to the 2016 Australian Olympic Team. I make this acknowledgement honestly and fully and confirm that this acknowledgement is not false or misleading:

- 1 I have been provided with, or been given access to, and will be bound by and observe the terms of the AOC Olympic Team Selection By-Law, the AOC Selection Criteria applicable to my sport and my NF's Nomination Criteria in force and as amended from time to time. I acknowledge that all members of the Shadow Team will likewise be bound by and must observe the same terms.
- 2 The AOC's Olympic Team Selection By-Law and the Selection Criteria may be amended by the AOC from time to time. I will be bound by and observe the AOC's Olympic Team Selection By-Law and the Selection Criteria as amended, and acknowledge that any amendments to the AOC's Selection By-Law and Selection Criteria will be posted to the AOC's website (www.olympics.com.au) along with the Qualification System applicable to my event.
- 3 The AOC's Constitution and AOC By-Laws, including but not limited to the AOC Anti-Doping By-Law and AOC Ethical Behaviour By-Law may be amended by the AOC from time to time. To the extent to which they apply to me, I will comply with and be bound by all AOC By-Laws, and acknowledge that amendments to AOC By-Laws will be posted to the AOC's website (www.olympics.com.au).
- 4 I have been provided with, and will provide to the AOC, the AOC statutory declaration regarding anti-doping matters as required by the AOC from time to time.
- 5 The decision whether or not to nominate me to the AOC for selection in the 2016 Australian Olympic Team is subject to the Nomination Criteria and is at the discretion of my NF.
- 6 In the event that my NF nominates me to the AOC for selection in the 2016 Australian Olympic Team I am not guaranteed to be selected in the 2016 Australian Olympic Team. The decision whether or not to select me as a member of the 2016 Australian Olympic Team is subject to the AOC's Olympic Team Selection By-Law and Selection Criteria and is at the absolute discretion of the AOC.
- 7 (1) I have not at any time engaged in Prohibited Association as prescribed under Article 2.10 of the World Anti-Doping Authority (WADA) Code (in effect from 1 January 2015), meaning association in a professional or sport-related capacity with any Athlete Support Personnel who:
 - (a) is serving a period of Ineligibility; or
 - (b) has been convicted or found in a criminal, disciplinary or professional proceeding to have engaged in conduct which would have constituted a violation of anti-doping rules; or
 - (c) is serving as a front or intermediary for an individual described in (a) or (b) above.

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- (3) email, the announcement or notice is deemed to have been received by me by properly addressing the email address and transmitting it to the address supplied by me and to have been received by me on the next business day after the date of transmission unless the AOC or NF is advised that the transmission failed to send to the addressee.
- 10 I acknowledge that Specialised Equipment means equipment acknowledged by the AOC as having a material effect on performance due to the specialised characteristics of the equipment, pursuant to Bye-Law 2.3 of Rules 27 and 28 of the Olympic Charter. If I wish to utilise Specialised Equipment at the Games, I will submit a request in writing to the AOC Director of Sport no later than 6 months prior to the Games (being 5 February 2016). This request is subject to the approval of the AOC in accordance with the 2016 Australian Olympic Team Membership Agreement – Athletes.
- 11 This consent is governed by the laws applicable in the State of New South Wales.

Signature of Athlete

Date

Witness Name

Witness Signature

FORM 1B

2016 AUSTRALIAN OLYMPIC TEAM PARENTS/GUARDIANS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FOR MINORS

[insert name of NF]

[insert name of Athlete]

I/we, the undersigned parents/guardians of the Athlete agree (and if more than one, then jointly and severally agree) as follows:

1. the Athlete is under the age of 18 years as at the date of signing the Consent to Shadow Team Membership;
2. I/we have read and understood the AOC Olympic Team Selection By-Law and the AOC Selection Criteria applicable to the sport of [insert sport] (“the Selection Terms”) and have fully explained to the Athlete the Selection Terms. To this end I/we have obtained independent legal advice as to the Selection Terms in order to clarify any doubts or concerns I/we may have had in this regard;
3. the Athlete has read the Selection Terms and, together with the benefit of our full explanation, understands their meaning and effect;
4. the Selection Terms are for the benefit of the Athlete;
5. the Athlete's eligibility for being considered for nomination by the above NF for selection to the 2016 Australian Olympic Team, may be terminated in the event of any breach of the Selection Terms; and
6. this acknowledgement is governed by the laws applicable in the State of New South Wales.

Dated:

Signed by the Parent/Guardian)
In the presence of:)

.....
(Parent/Guardian's signature)

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(Witness' signature)

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(Name of Witness)

.....
(Name of Parent/Guardian)

FORM 2

STATUTORY DECLARATION OATHS ACT 1900, NSW, EIGHTH SCHEDULE

Important: BEFORE MAKING THE DECLARATION PLEASE READ CAREFULLY THE INFORMATION REGARDING AUTHORISED WITNESSES AND YOUR IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS ON PAGE 2.

You must delete either statement 1 or 2 below in full, depending on which is a true statement of fact by you. However, you must not make any amendments to the statements. If you are unable to declare either statement 1 or 2 in full, you will not be able to make the statutory declaration and must contact the Australian Olympic Committee on +61 2 9247 2000 for further guidance.

I, _____, of _____
[full name] [residence – full address]

do solemnly and sincerely declare that:

1. I have **not** at any time breached any applicable anti-doping rule or policy, including the World Anti-Doping Code 2009, the Australian Olympic Committee's Anti-Doping By-Law and the anti-doping rules and policies of applicable Anti-Doping Organisations, National Federations and International Federations (as those words are defined in the Australian Olympic Committee's Anti-Doping By-Law) (each an "Applicable Anti-Doping Rule or Policy").

----- **OR** -----

2. I have breached an Applicable Anti-Doping Rule or Policy; but
 - (a) the sanction in respect of such breach(es) was formally **eliminated or waived** by the organisation having the authority to do so; or
 - (b) I have **completed** the sanction imposed in respect of such breach(es).

and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the provisions of the Oaths Act 1900 (NSW).

[signature of person making the declaration]

Declared at: _____ on _____
[place] [date]

In the presence of an **authorised witness**, who states:

I, _____, a _____
[insert name of **authorised witness**] [insert qualification to be authorised witness^A]

certify the following matters concerning the making of this statutory declaration by the person who made it:

[*please cross out any text that does not apply]

1. *I saw the face of the person OR *I did not see the face of the person because the person was wearing a face covering, but I am satisfied that the person had a special justification for not removing the covering, and
2. *I have known the person for at least 12 months OR *I have confirmed the person's identity using an identification document*^B and the document I relied on was _____
[describe identification document relied on]

[insert signature of authorised witness] [insert date]

***A: Authorised persons** who can witness the making of this statutory document are:

Within New South Wales

- a Justice of the Peace registered in New South Wales;
- an Australian legal practitioner;

Outside New South Wales

- an Australian legal practitioner;
- an Australian Notary Public;
- an Australian Consular Officer or British Consular Officer;
- any other person authorised by law to administer an oath in the country or place where the oath is administered.

***B: An identification document** means any of the following unless it has expired or been cancelled (however an Australian passport is acceptable if it expired no more than 2 years ago):

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a driver’s licence or permit with a photograph, whether issued in Australia or another country 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a birth certificate or birth extract, whether issued in Australia, another country or by the United Nations (with an English language translation if not in English)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a NSW photo card issued under the <i>Photo Card Act 2005</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a Centrelink pension card
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an Australian proof of age card which contains the person’s photograph 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a credit card or passbook, or
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an Australian passport (either current or expired less than 2 years ago) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an account from a bank, building society or credit union, or statement of account up to one year old
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a passport or similar document with the person’s photograph and signature issued by another country or by the United Nations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a Medicare card, pensioner concession card, Department of Veterans’ Affairs entitlement card or other entitlement card issued by the Federal or any State Government
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a national identity card with the person’s photograph and signature issued by another country or the United Nations (with an English language translation if not in English) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an electoral enrolment card or other evidence of enrolment as an elector up to 2 years old
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an Australian citizenship certificate or a foreign citizenship certificate (with an English language translation if not in English) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a student identity card, or a certificate or statement of enrolment up to 2 years old from an educational institution.