

MOTORCYCLING AUSTRALIA

NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION POLICY

The purpose of these rules is to maintain and improve best possible results in all International competitions.

25.7.1 Process of Selection

25.7.1.1 All athletes wishing to be considered for selection must:

25.7.1.2 Sign a copy of the MA Code of Conduct at the time of entering the relevant National Championship.

25.7.1.3 Selected Riders

25.7.1.4 Riders selected in National Teams in all disciplines must sign a contract with MA,

25.7.1.5 Riders should not sign either document unless they have a full and clear understanding of all terms and conditions.

25.7.1.6 Riders may wish to contact the following for clarification:

- I. Their legal advisor
- ii. Motorcycling Australia (03 9684 0500)
- iii. ANZSLA Sports Law Referral Service (1800 804 031).

25.7.1.7 The Code of Conduct will be attached to all entry forms for each event. Both documents will be available on the MA website at www.ma.org.au.

25.7.2 General Selection Policy

25.7.2.1 Each discipline selection committee may, at its discretion, apply specific objective criteria according to the requirements of the particular discipline.

25.7.2.2 In general terms, each committee will make selections with regard to but not restricted by:

- a) A rider's fitness subject to a medical examination by a medical practitioner appointed or approved by MA,
- b) Results attained in the relevant National Championship of the selection year in question,
- c) Results attained in International and World championships of the year prior to and during the year of selection,
- d) The rider's behaviour as outlined in the code of conduct in relation to previous selections and dealings with,
- e) The rider's ability to adapt to a team oriented environment,
- f) The rider's record in relation to any appearances before any State or National tribunal,
- g) The availability of the rider to compete in the relevant World Championship,
- h) The willingness of the rider to sign the rider's contract with MA,

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- i) Whether a rider has incurred a previous ban by failing a drug test conducted in accordance with the Anti Doping Policy of MA,
- j) The potential of a rider to represent Australia on a long-term basis,
- k) The availability of machinery to a potential candidate.

25.7.2.3 Riders must be Australian citizens to qualify for selection.

25.7.3 Other Criteria

25.7.3.1 Each relevant discipline may contain specific criteria not set down in the policy above. This information will be available on the MA website: www.ma.org.au.

25.7.4 Application of Criteria

25.7.4.1 Each selection committee will apply the principles of natural justice to the policy as well as to each individual selection.

25.7.4.2 The committee shall also be conscious and apply equal weight under the criteria to the consideration of each selection.

25.7.4.3 The committee should also be prepared to provide feedback either written or verbal to rider who has missed selection and may wish to query the reasons behind their non-selection so that their future opportunities may be enhanced.

25.7.5 Appeals

25.7.5.1 The sole ground for any appeal in relation to the non-selection of a competitor will be that this selection policy was

25.7.5.2 not followed or implemented in a just or fair manner.

25.7.5.3 In the first instance, any complaint will be referred to the Tribunal of MA.

25.7.5.4 The appeal must:

- a) Be in writing and signed by the appellant,
- b) Be lodged within 21 days of the original decision with the Tribunal, and
- c) Be accompanied by the prescribed fee.

25.7.5.5 In some instances, the fee may be refunded in part or whole if the appeal is upheld.

25.7.5.6 Other requirements for the appeal appear in the Manual of Motorcycle Sport under the heading "Appellate Bodies" Chapter 5]

25.7.5.7 Only one further avenue of appeal exists, to the National Sport Dispute Centre.

25.7.5.8 Riders should seek legal advice prior to any further appeal action.

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25.7.6 Injuries/Misadventure

25.7.6.1 The relevant selection committee shall have at its absolute discretion, the right to replace any rider, as long as at all times it complies with the selection policy of MA

25.7.6.2 Selected riders must be willing to undergo a medical examination to determine their fitness to compete

25.7.6.3 In case of bereavement, machine problems or other extenuating circumstances, the selection committee will make a determination on a case-by-case basis

25.7.7 Removal from National Squad

25.7.7.1 A Team Manager may, at their discretion, remove a team member from the squad if:

25.7.7.2 The member breaches or fails to comply with the Riders' contract and Code of Conduct,

25.7.7.3 By reason of injury, the member is unable to complete team requirements,

25.7.7.4 The member breaches or fails to comply with the requirements of the Anti Doping Policy of MA,

25.7.7.5 Fails to comply with a reasonable direction of the team Manager that is given in accordance with the role description of Team Managers,

25.7.7.6 The decision to remove a team member must be ratified by the CEO of MA.

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