Team PNG
Athletes Selection Policy

VOLLEYBALL FEDERATION (PNG)
1. Introduction

1.1 Background –

The Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee (PNGOC) has developed this policy for the selection of athletes to represent PNG at respective Games from 2017 to 2020.

The (Games) being considered under this selection policy are:

- 2017 Youth Commonwealth Games
- 2017 Pacific Mini-Games
- 2018 Commonwealth Games
- 2018 Youth Olympic Games
- 2019 Pacific Games
- 2020 Olympic Games

The PNGOC is recognised by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) as the National Olympic Committee for Papua New Guinea. The IOC is the supreme authority in all matters concerning the Olympic Games.

PNGOC is also recognised by the Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF) and the Pacific Games Council (PGC) as members of the respective bodies. The CGF is the supreme authority in all matters concerning the Commonwealth Games as is the PGC the supreme authority in all matters concerning the Pacific Games.

The PNGOC has the sole and exclusive authority to determine its representation at the Games.

The PNGOC wishes to promote awareness and clear understanding of the process for nomination of Athletes by the National Federations (NF) and selection by the PNGOC for Team PNG (the Team) to compete in the Games.

The NF and its athletes wish to have a clear understanding of the process for nomination and selection of Athletes for the Team, and has agreed to the terms and conditions of this Policy for that purpose.

This Policy sets out the application, nomination and selection process by which eligible Athletes may be considered for nomination by the NF, and selection by the PNGOC, for Team PNG.

This Policy also sets out the procedures that must be followed for any appeal against a decision by the NF regarding an Athlete’s nomination or non-nomination or a decision by the PNGOC regarding an Athlete’s selection or non-selection to the Team.

This policy is to be referred to in the nomination criteria to be adopted by each National Federation (NF) for all athletes wishing to be considered for nomination to Team PNG to compete in the Games.

1.2 Purpose –

For PNGOC to select a team that:

- Has high performing athletes to represent Team PNG at the Games.
- Has a high percentage of Teams meeting the Performance Standards.
- Achieves the targets set out by PNGOC for the respective games.
2. Process

This policy has been adopted by the PNG Olympic Committee.

NFs must nominate athletes in the sport for selection for Team PNG for the Games, by the due dates.

The Justification Committee (JC) of the PNGOC will review the nominations and make the final selection in line with this policy and the NF nomination/selection criteria.

2.1 Nomination Process – National Federations

The process for NFs to nominate athletes in their respective sports is as follows:

1. NFs to share their Sport Specific Nomination/Selection criteria to PNGOC for endorsement and inclusion in selection policy.
2. NFs to sign and agree on the selection policy.
3. NFs to take athletes through content of the selection policy.
4. NF Nomination to be endorsed at their board/executive meetings prior to lodgement.
5. Nominations to be lodged using forms provided by PNGOC by the due dates as per key dates and deadlines.
6. NF representatives and coach to attend JC meeting (s) as required to justify nominations.

A National Federation must not represent that a nomination of a candidate guarantees or secures selection to the sport or within the team.

*It is recommended that the NF nomination/selection panel includes independent representation and that one position is given to the Head Coach.*
2.2 Selection Process – Justification Committee

The JC has the task of ensuring the nominated candidates become the right team or individual to fulfil the PNGOC overall vision. This means selecting the right people that give Team PNG the best chance of achieving our Games goals. The JC may request additional advice from external specialists where required.

Any discretion used by JC must be transparent, accountable, and logical and acted upon in good faith.

Outcomes of all selection processes will be communicated both verbally and in writing by the JC to the NF.

2.3 General Criteria & Eligibility (For all Athletes)

2.3.1 Must be a Papua New Guinean Citizen with a valid Papua New Guinea (PNG) passport (with a six month minimum expiry as at the conclusion of the Games);

2.3.2 Must meet all eligibility requirements set out in the International Olympic Committee Charter, Commonwealth Games Federation Charter, Pacific Games Charter and rules applicable to the respective Games, this policy, and any requirements of the sport.

2.3.3 Must complete all required documentation correctly and in a timely manner.

2.3.4 Must adhere in full to all general Team PNG policy, athlete’s agreement and PNGOC policy including satisfactorily meeting event requirements. This will include completion of all medical, fitness and other testing protocols not yet conducted or still underway at time of squad selection. The candidate will be notified in writing of areas they need to address if non-compliant. If after such notification the candidate still fails to meet criteria, the candidate can be removed from consideration of selection.

2.3.5 Willingness to engage in and encourage participation in PNGOC and Team PNG activities and programs.

2.3.6 Must agree to the terms of this Selection Policy.

2.3.7 Must sign and agree to the terms of the athlete agreement before and during the Games.

2.3.8 Have achieved Performance Standards (as set out in clause 3.1 and 3.2) within the timeframe as pointed out for the respective Games.

2.4 Physical Fitness, Injury Monitoring and Wellbeing –

All nominated athletes must submit to medical and physical assessments and examinations as follows

2.4.1 All athletes must report any injury, medical condition or medication / treatment of an injury or medical condition to the National Head Coach & Team PNG appointed medical personnel, where it has an impact on the athletes’ ongoing training plan.

2.4.2 All athletes must comply with set physical and medical assessments as set out by PNGOC and JC requirements.

2.4.3 All athletes must provide any information required by PNGOC in relation to a medical or physical assessment, injury or medical condition.
2.5 Exclusions –

A nominated athlete can NOT be considered for selection for any sport in the following circumstances. If the candidate:

2.5.1 is currently serving a ban imposed by the National Federation; or
2.5.2 is currently serving a ban imposed by any Regional or International Federation; or
2.5.3 has been involved in activity that contradicts the policies and laws of the World Anti-Doping Authority (WADA), PNG Sport Anti-Doping Organisation (PNGSADO) and the event’s governing body, anti-doping policies and laws; and is not currently serving a ban for anti-doping related offences.
2.5.4 is convicted of a criminal offence.

A nominated athlete May be excluded from consideration if the candidate:

2.5.5 breaches general team policy such as behaviour or conduct bringing sport in PNG and Team PNG into disrepute;
2.5.6 does any action that is contrary, inconsistent with or opposing to the brand, values, best interest or image of PNGOC and Team PNG;
2.5.7 does not comply with all agreements such as General Team Policy including areas such as gambling policy, social media guidelines and formal guidelines set by PNGOC, Team PNG Chef de Mission and Management.

Consideration of Extenuating Situations –

In the case of illness or other reasonable circumstances that prevent the candidate from fulfilling their requirements, written notification to the JC must be made prior to or within reasonable time of the failure to comply. This can include, but is not limited to, attendance at daily training, camps, testing, international and domestic events, training and development and other key events as per calendar. With relevance to an overseas based athlete, a case by case decision will be made by the JC in consultation with the Chef de Mission if needed.

3. Selection Overview Sport Specific requirements

3.1 Performance Standards – The Athlete

The Performance Standards for the Athlete in a Team shall be used as the main criteria for selection for the various Games. Factors considered for selection include:

3.1.1 commitment to training and preparation for games.
3.1.2 no disciplinary issues.
3.1.3 has met requirements outlined in 3.3 below.
3.2 Performance Standards – The Team

The following Performance Standards for the Team shall be used as the main criteria for selection of a Team for the various Games. It shall however, be used in combination with other factors such as demonstrated improved performances and results at key international competitions, athlete commitment to training and preparation for games and no disciplinary issues.

Performance history of the team shall also be from various international events from the last twenty-four months prior to the commencement of the respective games.

3.2.1 2017 Commonwealth Youth Games

3.2.1.1 The Team eligible for the Commonwealth Youth Games shall be ranked in the top 5 in Oceania and the Pacific to be considered for final selection.

3.2.2 2017 Pacific Mini-Games

3.2.2.1 The Team eligible for the Pacific Mini-Games shall be ranked in the top 5 in Oceania and top 3 in the Pacific to be considered for final selection.

3.2.2.2 Must be capable of achieving a medal placing in their respective sport.

3.2.3 2018 Commonwealth Games

3.2.3.1 The Team eligible for the Commonwealth Games shall be ranked in the top 3 in the Oceania region to be considered for final selection.

3.2.3.2 Must be capable of achieving a placing in the top third of their respective sport.

3.2.4 2018 Youth Olympic Games

3.2.4.1 The Team eligible for the Youth Olympic Games shall be ranked in the top 5 in the Oceania region to be considered for final selection.

3.2.5 2019 Pacific Games

3.2.5.1 The Team eligible for the Pacific Games shall be ranked in the top 5 in Oceania and top 3 in the Pacific to be considered for final selection.

3.2.5.2 Must be capable of achieving a medal placing in their respective sport.

3.2.6 2020 Olympic Games

3.2.6.1 The Team eligible for the Olympic Games shall be ranked in the top 3 in Oceania and 1st in the Pacific to be considered for final selection.

3.2.6.2 Must be capable of achieving a placing in the top half of their respective sport.
3.3 Events / Competitions & Fitness, Physiological criteria (Elite focus) –

The following criteria will be used as a part of the JC review process for all athletes for Team PNG:

3.3.1 Training & Competition Plan

Each National Head Coach has submitted a training and competition plan. Attendance and ongoing commitment to this plan is vital for inclusion in selections for the final team. Attendance records for training and activities will be recorded and submitted to JC.

3.3.2 Sport Specific Criteria

PNGOC recommends that NFs provide information on the following to support the selection of athletes for Team PNG:

- Previous international and national performances
- Current international and national performances
- Current level of skill and physical fitness (sport specific requirements attached)
- Current or potential injury or condition that will impair, inhibit or prevent the participant’s performance to the expected elite level
- Composition and balance of the team based on position coverage (where applicable)

3.3.3 Events

PNGOC recommends that selections be made through the following events as submitted by National Federation’s:

- International events – Oceania/ Pacific Championships
- National Championships
- National League/ Provincial League
- HP Camps, selection camps and targeted training sessions

3.4 Events / Competitions & Fitness, Physiological criteria (Best of Rest focus)

Should the full team requirements not be met from the standards and criteria set out in above, then a policy of Best of the Rest will apply. This is where PNGOC may decide to endorse athletes who have not met the standards and criteria laid out in this policy whose inclusion in Team PNG is within the allowable athlete allocation numbers and is in line with PNGOC’s Games’ goals.

This will be done on similar grounds as the criteria above, i.e.

3.4.1 Event and competition performance
3.4.2 Results from Specific Testing Data
3.4.3 Results from Medical and Physical assessments
3.4.4 Other factors considered by selectors to be important

Discretion will be used in this situation where the data and information is more objective and less definitive.
4. Appeal Process

An athlete who fails to be selected for the squad or final team pursuant to the criteria set out in this policy may appeal against omission.

The only grounds for such an appeal are that the JC, in making their final decision, failed to comply with this policy.

There is no right to appeal where a sanction or ban exists in relation to WADA or International Federation.

Appeals – Appeals can be made through the standard sports appeal process, with ultimate arbitrator being the International Court of Arbitration (ICAS).

Scenario 1 - Athlete is not nominated by the NF

Process for an athlete to appeal if they haven't been nominated by the NF is as follows:

1. Athlete to write a letter to their NF of their decision to appeal within 14 days

2. If the Athlete is not satisfied with the response from the NF, the Athlete can write to the JC seeking advice within 21 days total from beginning of process of appeal.

3. If the Athlete is not satisfied with the response from the JC, the Athlete can appeal in writing to the Sports Disputes Tribunal within fourteen (14) days of the date of notification of the decision of the JC.

4. If the Athlete is not satisfied with the decision of the Sports Dispute Tribunal, the Athlete may lodge an appeal to the International Court of Arbitration (ICAS) within 21 days after the delivery of the decision of the Sports Disputes Tribunal.

5. The decision of ICAS is final.
Scenario 2 - Athlete is excluded by the JC

Process for an athlete and/or the NF to appeal if the athlete is excluded by the JC is as follows:

Athlete and / or the National Federation can write to the Justification Committee to reconsider its decision.

If the Athlete is dissatisfied with the decisions of the Justification Committee, the Athlete can appeal in writing to the Sports Disputes Tribunal within fourteen (14) days after the date of notification of the decision of the JC.

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The decision of ICAS is final.

The appeal process will not be extended beyond 21 days. A final decision is to be made in due course but no later than the due date for final nominations.

5. Annexes

Annexure 1 – Team PNG Performance Standards Summary
Annexure 2 – Pacific Games Athlete Eligibility
Annexure 3 – Commonwealth Games Qualification Guidelines
Annexure 4 – Youth Olympic Games Qualification Guidelines

Indemnity: - It is a condition of nomination and participation in selection that PNGOC and its directors, officers, employees, servants, and agents be indemnified from and against all claims, demands, action, proceedings, costs and expenses including legal costs and liabilities to third parties arising out of incidents of any breach by the National Federation, and/or athletes.
We, the undersigned are in agreement of this Selection Policy to select athletes to represent PNG at respective Games from 2017 to 2020.

Dated this ......................... day of ........................., 2016.

Auvita Rapilla  
Secretary General  
PNG Olympic Committee

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### Selection Policy Criteria - Team

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### Selection Policy Criteria - Athlete

- **Commitment to training and preparation for the Games**
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ARTICLE 26
Eligibility

1. An athlete to be eligible to compete in the Pacific Games or Pacific Mini Games shall:

(a) Complete all entry and other applicable contractual documentation.

(b) Not be currently under disqualification or suspension by the Council, or their respective PGA or International Federation or under the World Anti Doping Code.

(c) Comply with:

(i) The applicable rules and regulations of the Council and this Constitution

(ii) The applicable rules and regulations of the relevant International Federations subject to the provisions of this Charter


(d) Meet the following citizenship and residency conditions for inclusion in a team selected by the PGA to represent its Country/Territory:

(i) Be a citizen of the country/territory the athlete is to represent at the Games and be able to demonstrate residency in that country/territory.

(ii) For the purposes of this clause:

“citizen” means the holder of a current valid and applicable passport of the country/territory the athlete represents.

“applicable passport” for countries/territories is as follows:

American Samoa PGA – USA Passport
Cook Islands PGA – New Zealand Passport
Fiji Islands PGA – Fiji Islands Passport
Federated States of Micronesia PGA – FSM Passport
French Polynesia PGA – France Passport
Guam PGA – USA Passport
Kiribati PGA – Kiribati Passport
Marshall Islands PGA – Marshall Islands Passport
Nauru PGA – Nauru Passport
New Caledonia PGA – France Passport
Niue PGA – New Zealand Passport
Norfolk Island PGA – Australian Passport
Northern Mariana Islands PGA – USA Passport
Palau PGA – Palau Passport
Papua New Guinea PGA – PNG Passport
Samoa PGA – Samoa Passport
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Tonga PGA – Tonga Passport
Tokelau PGA – New Zealand Passport
Tuvalu PGA – Tuvalu Passport
Vanuatu PGA – Vanuatu Passport
Wallis and Futuna PGA – France Passport
"residency" means that the athlete shall be a citizen of the country/territory the athlete represents and have resided for not less than five years (cumulatively, whether consecutively or not) at any time in that country/territory of the PGA.

For the avoidance of doubt the temporary absence of an athlete from the country/territory of their citizenship for purposes such as education and sports training, military service and health care and other legitimate absences of a like kind shall be considered as residency.

(iii) The Executive Board shall have the discretion to waive the provisions of sub-paragraphs (d) (i)-(ii) above. These discretionary powers shall include, but are not limited to, utilising the prevailing eligibility rules of an International Federation where the following conditions are satisfied by the applicant International Federation no later than fifteen months prior to the Pacific Games:

(a) The Pacific Games event will be utilised as a qualification pathway event to World Championship, or Olympic Games, or Commonwealth Games events and thus limit the requirement for duplicate events within the Pacific region; and/or

(b) The Pacific Games event will provide participants with international ranking points to facilitate their further participation in international events; and

(c) The Pacific Games event will receive additional resources or assistance from the applicant International Federation beyond what is required under the Charter, including assistance with monitoring eligibility; and

(d) The adoption of the International Federation’s eligibility rules will not lead to distorted outcomes from the basic philosophy of the Pacific Games being facilitated for the benefit of the people of the Pacific.

In the event that a PGA believes the application of an International Federation’s eligibility rules leads to an unintended discriminatory outcome for one of its athletes, the PGA shall have a right of recourse to the Executive Board who shall have the power to resolve the matter in its discretion.

If applied, the International Federation’s eligibility rules shall be sent to all PGAs fifteen months prior to the Pacific Games.

2. It shall be the responsibility of the PGA to ensure that all competitors comply with this Constitution and its eligibility conditions. In satisfying the PGC requirements for entries of athletes it shall be a requirement that the PGA completes an Entry and Eligibility Conditions form, in the form contained in the regulations certifying that the competitor complies with this Article of the Constitution.

3. An athlete who has already competed in the Pacific Games or Pacific Mini Games for one PGA may represent another PGA at a future celebration of the Pacific Games provided that athlete complies with the provisions of this article and the approval of both PGAs.

4. A PGA shall be required to submit competitor entries by name at least 45 days prior to the commencement of the Games and each entry shall be accompanied by all necessary certification.
5. Late Entries by Name will not be accepted.

6. The OC shall be required to post, fax or email all entries by event, name and country on the official PGC website and to the PGAs, International Federations and Executive Board at the close of entries.

7. PGAs shall have 10 days thereafter to challenge to the Executive Board the eligibility of a competitor. A US$50 bond must be posted by the challenging PGA to the PGC per challenge in order for it to proceed. The bond is refundable if the challenge is successful, but is forfeited if it is unsuccessful. A PGA whose athlete is successfully challenged and is deemed ineligible to compete will be liable for a US$100 penalty payable to the PGC at the Delegation Registration Meeting. If the penalty is unpaid, the PGA will not be able to compete in the sport in which the ineligible athlete was registered.

8. In the event of a challenge to an athlete's eligibility the Executive Board shall within 5 days refer the challenge to the Disputes Tribunal established by this Charter, for decision within a further 10 days from receipt of the last challenges. All Disputes Tribunal decisions should therefore be finalised at least 20 days prior to the commencement of the Games. The Disputes Tribunal's decision shall be final. No further challenges shall be considered thereafter.

9. In the event of a challenge to an athlete's eligibility, the burden of proof for residency shall rest with the sponsoring PGA rather than the challenging PGA. Documents proving residency must be submitted by the sponsoring PGA in the event of a challenge, and shall include where appropriate:

   (a) School records certified by the school principal or the highest official of the relevant government ministry;
   (b) Employment records certified by the employer or the highest official of the relevant government ministry for labour issues;
   (c) Tax records;
   (d) Official government birth or immigration records;
   (e) Any other official government record which proves residence.

10. PGA delegation entries are required to be finalised, confirmed, and posted on the PGC and OC websites 20 days prior to the commencement of the Games.

ARTICLE 27
Symbol, Flag and Emblems

1. The Council shall establish the emblem and may establish other symbols of the Pacific Games and the Pacific Mini Games. All rights to the emblem and/or other symbols shall belong exclusively to the Council.

2. The Council shall establish the flag of the Pacific Games and the Pacific Mini Games. All rights to the flag shall belong exclusively to the Council.

3. The emblem and/or other symbols and flag of the Pacific Games and the Pacific Mini Games, or any representation thereof, shall not be used for any purpose without the express written approval of the Council.

4. Each PGA may and each OC shall incorporate the emblem of the Council along with a design of its own choosing to make its own emblem, subject to the written approval of the Council.

5. The emblems of a PGA and OC shall not be used for commercial purposes except as specifically allowed under Article 28.
Athlete Allocation System

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Version 1.0 on March 2nd, 2017

1 INTRODUCTION

The Beach Volleyball Athlete Allocation System focuses on four (4) key methods of qualification:

1. Direct Qualification
   FIVB World Ranking (Men and Women)

2. Continental Representation
   Five (5) zones including four (4) FIVB recognised zones + Oceania, as defined by the CGF

3. Home Nation
   Automatic qualification

4. FIVB/CGF Invitation

2 MEDAL EVENTS (2)

Men’s Medal Events (1)
- Men’s Team

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- Women’s Team

3 ATHLETE ALLOCATION SYSTEM

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5 QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

a) Direct Qualification
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In the event the final slot of qualification has been achieved by more than two CGA-Nation Teams, the CGA to be allocated the slot will be identified in priority order according to the following:

- CGA with highest sum of athlete’s technical points as at 31 October 2017 will earn the spot for its CGA-Nation; and
- In the case of a further tie, the CGA identified at the discretion of the FIVB and CGF based on international competition results during the period of 1 January 2014 – 31 October 2017.

For the avoidance of doubt, for an athlete to be eligible to accrue points for consideration on behalf of their CGA, they must be a passport-holder for that CGA country. Satisfying general FIVB Eligibility criteria will not be sufficient.

In the event a CGA is unable to accept the award of any and/or all slots earned via this method, the slot(s) will be redistributed via the reallocation policy.

b) Continental Representation
The top CGA Nation from four (4) FIVB Regions of AVC, CAVB, CEV and NORCECA/CSV as well as the top CGA from Oceania (as defined by the CGF) not yet qualified through Direct Qualification or Home Nation representation will qualify one slot to be awarded to the CGA. Places will be determined by the highest placed CGA not yet qualified from designated FIVB regional events held in 2017.
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For the avoidance of doubt, for the purposes of qualification through continental representation, CGA representation across FIVB regions will be as follows:

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<th>Region</th>
<th>Eligible CGAs</th>
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<tr>
<td>AVC</td>
<td>Bangladesh, Brunei Darussalam, India, Malaysia, Pakistan, Singapore, Sri Lanka</td>
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<tr>
<td>CAVB</td>
<td>Botswana, Cameroon, Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Nigeria, Rwanda, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia</td>
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<tr>
<td>CEV</td>
<td>Cyprus, England, Gibraltar, Guernsey, Isle of Man, Jersey, Malta, Northern Ireland, Scotland, Wales</td>
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<tr>
<td>NORCEGA/CSV</td>
<td>Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Canada, Cayman Islands, Dominica, Falkland Islands, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, Montserrat, St Helena, St Kitts and Nevis, St Lucia, St Vincent and the Grenadines, Trinidad and Tobago, Turks and Caicos</td>
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<tr>
<td>Oceania</td>
<td>Australia, Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Nauru, New Zealand, Niue, Norfolk Island, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu</td>
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Where there is no designated regional event held, or where all CGAs from that region have qualified through another pathway, the highest ranked CGA on the FIVB World Ranking from a) the unrepresented region or secondly b) next highest ranked CGA not yet qualified from any region per FIVB World Ranking as at 31 October 2017 will qualify.

In the event that a CGA has obtained the quotas from both the Direct Qualification and Continental Representation, such CGA will obtain its quota via Direct Qualification while the next ranked CGA not yet qualified from that region in the Continental Representation shall obtain the quota through the Continental Representation.

For the avoidance of doubt, for an athlete to be eligible to accrue points for consideration on behalf of their CGA, they must be a passport-holder for that CGA country. Satisfying general FIVB Eligibility criteria will not be sufficient.

In the event a CGA is unable to accept the award of any and/or all slots earned via this method, the slot(s) will be redistributed via the reallocation policy.

c) Home Nation Automatic Qualification (Australian Commonwealth Games Association)
   - The ACGA shall be issued the maximum slot allocation of one (1) Team per Medal Event;
   - Australian athletes will feature within the FIVB World Ranking however their performance(s) will not be factored as part of the allocations;
   - At the end of the qualification period, the respective slot guaranteed for an Australian Team will be designated as 'ACGA' only;
   - In the event the ACGA is unable to accept the award of any and/or all slots earned via the home nation method, the slot(s) will be redistributed via the reallocation policy.
d) FIVB/CGF Invitation

FIVB/CGF Invitation slots will be awarded to two (2) CGA Nations not yet qualified at FIVB/CGF sole and absolute discretion.

In making determinations on allocated slots, FIVB and CGF may consider factors including, but not limited to:

1. Field depth and competition strength;
2. International, regional and national competition results including strength of competition and consistency of performance;
3. Universality: Best endeavours will be made to ensure representation of at least four (4) CGF regions;
4. Widely and regularly practising national athletes;
5. Demonstrated availability of athletes to participate in the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games competition; and
6. Any other factor(s) considered relevant by FIVB and CGF.

6 ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for endorsement by a CGA, an athlete must:

- Not be currently under disqualification or suspension by the CGF, or their respective Affiliated CGA or FIVB or under the World Anti-Doping Code;
- Have complied with all applicable rules and regulations of the CGF, FIVB and the World Anti-Doping Code as may be modified and applied by the Federation to ensure that the overriding principles of the Commonwealth Games are observed. In the case of any inconsistency, CGF rules and regulations will prevail;
- Have complied with the minimum age regulations, as stipulated by FIVB; and
- Have met the CGF’s eligibility standards in accordance with the CGF Constitution. For the avoidance of doubt, in accordance with Article 25(5) of the CGF Constitution Executive Board dispensation regarding residency status will be granted to an athlete where a common passport exists where such athlete has completed a period of 5 years’ continuous residency within the CGA territory immediately prior to the Games.

7 TIMELINES

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<th>Date</th>
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<tr>
<td>22 September</td>
<td>Deadline for GOLDOC to receive Entries by Number information</td>
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<tr>
<td>31 October</td>
<td>Deadline for Direct Qualification</td>
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<td>3 November</td>
<td>FIVB designated regional events:</td>
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<td>Region</td>
<td>Event</td>
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<tr>
<td>Asia</td>
<td>Asian Beach Tour</td>
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<td>Europe</td>
<td>Designated event (Cyprus TBC)</td>
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<td>Africa</td>
<td>Designated event (Sierra Leone TBC)</td>
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<td>NORCECA/CSV</td>
<td>Caribbean Tour</td>
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GOLDOC to confirm qualified CGAs through Continental Representation on behalf of FIVB and CGF. Confirmation will be provided following the publication of the FIVB World Ranking at 31 October 2017.

CGAs will be informed of the deadline for confirmation of acceptance of qualified places through Continental Representation when notified by GOLDOC of their qualification.

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<td>8 November 2017</td>
<td>GOLDOC to confirm qualified CGAs through Direct Qualification and FIVB/CGF Invitation on behalf of FIVB and CGF</td>
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<tr>
<td>21 November 2017</td>
<td>CGAs to confirm acceptance of qualified slots through Direct Qualification and FIVB/CGF Invitation</td>
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<tr>
<td>22 – 23 November 2017</td>
<td>Re-allocation of unused quotas in accordance with Reallocation Policy</td>
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<tr>
<td>24 November 2017</td>
<td>Deadline for GOLDOC to receive accreditation application forms submitted by CGAs</td>
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FIVB designated Regional event:

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<th>Region</th>
<th>Event</th>
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<tr>
<td>Oceania</td>
<td>Mini-Games (Vanuatu); 6 – 8 December 2017</td>
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GOLDOC to confirm qualified CGAs through Continental Representation on behalf of FIVB and CGF following the conclusion of the applicable regional event.

CGAs will be informed of the deadline for confirmation of acceptance of qualified places through Continental Representation when notified by GOLDOC of their qualification.

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<tr>
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<td>Pre-Delegation Registration Meetings</td>
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<td>7 March 2018</td>
<td>Sport Entries deadline</td>
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<td>20 March – 3 April 2018</td>
<td>Delegation Registration Meetings</td>
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RE ALLO C ATION POLICY

1 Governance
1.1 The CGF Executive Board shall establish a three (3) person ad-hoc committee comprising of Chairman of the Sports Committee, Chief Executive Officer and the Director of Corporate Services to assess, evaluate and oversee the management of the reallocation policy. The CGF Sports Services Manager shall serve as the Secretary to the ad-hoc Committee.

1.2 Any disputes shall be addressed by the CGF Executive Board.

2 Purpose
2.1 The purpose of the reallocation policy is to ensure a clear framework exists whereby any unused slots are redistributed within the prescribed sport allocation.

2.2 The CGF reallocation policy refers only to individual sports (including para-events) of the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games.

3 Gender
3.1 The reallocation of unused slots is only transferable to/from the same gender of the respective sport.

4 Method Application
4.1 The Beach Volleyball reallocation policy shall be applied from those unused slots drawn from the following methods:

- Direct Qualification
- Continental Representation
- Home Nation (Australian Commonwealth Games Association)
- FIVB/CGF Invitation

5 Direct Qualification
5.1 Where no CGAs remain unqualified on the FIVB World Ranking, any unused slots shall be reallocated by FIVB/CGF.

6 Continental Representation
6.1 Any unused slots earned from the Continental Representation shall be reallocated to the next highest ranked CGA not yet qualified on the FIVB World Ranking as at 31 October 2017. Where no CGAs remain unqualified on the FIVB World Ranking, the slot shall be reallocated by FIVB/CGF.

7 Home Nation (Australian Commonwealth Games Association)
7.1 Any unused slots earned from the Home Nation method shall be reallocated to the next highest ranked CGA not yet qualified on the FIVB World Ranking as at 31 October 2017. Where no CGAs remain unqualified on the FIVB World Ranking, the slot shall be reallocated by FIVB/CGF.

8 FIVB/CGF Invitation
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8.1 Any unused slots earned from the FIVB/CGF Invitation method shall be reallocated to the next highest ranked CGA not yet qualified on the FIVB World Ranking as at 31 October 2017. Where no CGAs remain unqualified on the FIVB World Ranking, the slot shall be reallocated by FIVB/CGF.

In making determinations on allocated slots, FIVB and CGF may consider factors including, but not limited to:
1. Field depth and competition strength;
2. International, regional and national competition results including strength of competition and consistency of performance;
3. Universality: Best endeavours will be made to ensure representation of at least four (4) CGF regions;
4. Widely and regularly practising national athletes;
5. Demonstrated availability of athletes to participate in the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games competition; and
6. Any other factor(s) considered relevant by FIVB and CGF.

BIPARTITE COMMISSION

1 Governance
1.1 The membership of the CGF/FIVB Bipartite Commission shall comprise of the CGF Director of Sport & IF Relations (or appointed designate) and the FIVB Director General (or appointed designate).

1.2 Any disputes shall be addressed by the CGF Executive Board.

1.3 All universality applications approved by the CGF Executive Board shall be deemed final with no opportunity for protest or appeal.

2 Purpose
2.1 The purpose of the Bipartite Commission will be to assess, evaluate and recommend to the CGF Executive Board universality applications submitted by CGAs. Applications must address the respective criteria outlined within the Athlete Allocation System.
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Volleyball
Beach Volleyball

A. EVENTS (2)

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<th>Men's Events (1)</th>
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<tr>
<td>32-team tournament</td>
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B. ATHLETES QUOTA

1. Total Quota for Beach Volleyball:

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<th>Qualification Places</th>
<th>Host Country Places</th>
<th>Universality Places</th>
<th>Total</th>
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<tr>
<td>Men 52 (26 teams)</td>
<td>2 (1 team)</td>
<td>10 (5 teams)</td>
<td>64 (32 teams)</td>
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<td>Women 52 (26 teams)</td>
<td>2 (1 team)</td>
<td>10 (5 teams)</td>
<td>64 (32 teams)</td>
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<td>Total 104 (52 teams)</td>
<td>4 (2 teams)</td>
<td>20 (10 teams)</td>
<td>128 (64 teams)</td>
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2. Maximum Number of Athletes per NOC:

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<td>Men 2 (1 team)</td>
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<td>Women 2 (1 team)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total 4 (2 teams)</td>
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3. Type of Allocation of Quota Places:

The quota place is allocated to the NOC.

C. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

All athletes must comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force, including but not limited to, Rule 41 (Nationality of Competitors). Only those athletes who have complied with the Olympic Charter may participate in the Youth Olympic Games.

Age
To be eligible to participate in the Youth Olympic Games, athletes must have been born between 1 January 2000 and 31 December 2003.
Additional IF requirements
Participation in at least one (1) of these events during the YOG 2018 qualification period to ensure the minimum technical level:

- 2018 FIVB Beach Volleyball U19 World Championships;
- Continental Youth Championships (or a Continental Youth Tour) or Continental YOG Qualification Tournament;
- FIVB World Tour, Continental Cup, Continental Tour, etc.

D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

QUALIFICATION PLACES

MEN / WOMEN

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<tr>
<th>Number of Quota Places</th>
<th>Qualification Event</th>
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<td><strong>D.1:</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Men: 2 (1 team)</td>
<td>D.1. 2018 FIVB Beach Volleyball U19 World Championships</td>
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<tr>
<td>Women: 2 (1 team)</td>
<td>The 2018 FIVB Beach Volleyball U19 World Champion team will earn one (1) quota place for its NOC/NF</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>D.2:</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Men: 50 (25 teams)</td>
<td>D.2. Continental YOG Qualification Event</td>
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<tr>
<td>Women: 50 (25 teams)</td>
<td>Each of the following continents will organise a Continental YOG Qualification Event between 1 April 2017 and 22 July 2018:</td>
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- AVC (Asia and Oceania)
- CAVB (Africa)
- CEV (Europe)
- CSV (South America)
- NORCECA (North, Central America and Caribbean)

The top 5 NOCs (not yet qualified through D.1) from each continent will earn one (1) quota place.

To be eligible to qualify teams from the Confederation Qualification Pathway, the Confederations must comply with the following criteria:

- The Confederations must organize Continental Youth Championship (or a Continental Youth Tour) or Continental YOG Qualification tournaments held between 1 April 2017 and 22 July, 2018.
- The Confederation must guarantee a minimum participation of 50% of its affiliated NFs to secure the full quota of five (5) teams per gender to the Youth Olympic Games. Otherwise, it will lose a certain number of quota in percentage relating to the number of participating NFs. (See Section F. Reallocation of unused quota places).

HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The host country will automatically qualify one (1) men’s team and one (1) women’s team.
UNIVERSALITY PLACES

Five (5) men’s teams and five (5) women’s teams will be made available to eligible NOCs at the YOG, subject to the teams meeting the eligibility criteria under section C. The International Olympic Committee will invite all eligible NOCs to submit their requests for Universality Places (date TBC). The Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of invitation places to the relevant NOCs, in collaboration with FIVB, in March 2017.

E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

CONFIRMATION OF QUALIFICATION PLACES

On 27 July 2018, the FIVB will inform the respective NOCs of their allocated quota places.

The NOCs will then have two (2) weeks, until 10 August 2018, to confirm if they wish to use these quota places, as detailed in paragraph G. Qualification Timeline.

CONFIRMATION OF HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The host country must confirm in writing to FIVB and BAYOGOC by 10 August 2018 the use of its Host Country Places.

F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION PLACES

D.1 2018 FIVB U19 World Championships
If a quota place allocated is not confirmed by the NOC by the confirmation of quota place deadline or is declined by the NOC, the quota place will be reallocated to the next best-ranked NOC not yet qualified, from the 2018 FIVB U19 World Championships.

D.2 Continental YOG Qualification Event
If a quota place allocated is not confirmed by the NOC by the confirmation of quota place deadline or is declined by the NOC, the quota place will be reallocated to the next best-ranked NOC not yet qualified, from the respective Continental YOG Qualification Event.

For teams who qualified through the Confederation Qualification Pathway that do not meet the criteria as per section D. of the Qualification System and therefore not granted with full quota of five (5) teams per gender, the following principle will be applied:

- If the Confederation does not organise a Continental Youth Championship (or a Continental Youth Tour) or Continental YOG Qualification tournaments, all its five (5) quotas will be reallocated to the other Confederations meeting the criteria as per section D.
- If the Confederation can only secure the participation of 40% (including) – 50% of its affiliated NFs, it will lose one (1) quota place per gender and such quota will be reallocated to the other Confederations meeting the criteria as per section D.
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- If the Confederation can only secure the participation of 30% (including) — 40% of its affiliated NFs, it will lose two (2) quota places per gender and such quotas will be reallocated to the other Confederations meeting the criteria as per section D.
- If the Confederation can only secure the participation of 20% (including) — 30% of its affiliated NFs, it will lose three (3) quota places per gender and such quotas will be reallocated to the other Confederations meeting the criteria as per section D.
- If the Confederation can only secure the participation of 10% (including) — 20% of its affiliated NFs, it will lose four (4) quota places per gender and such quotas will be reallocated to the other Confederations meeting the criteria as per section D.

The unused quotas will be reallocated to other Confederations that have more than 50% participating NOCs/NFs.

- The Confederation with the highest ratio of participating affiliated NFs will have priority in obtaining the reallocation of unused quotas.
- In case several Confederations have the same ratio of participating affiliated NFs, the Confederation with the biggest number of participating affiliated NFs will have priority in obtaining the reallocation of unused quotas.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

Any unused Host Country Places will be reallocated to the next best-ranked NOC not yet qualified, of the respective gender from the 2018 FIVB U19 World Championships.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED UNIVERSALITY PLACES

Any unused Universality Places, including those returned after the final allocation by YOG Tripartite Commission, will be reallocated to the NOC of the next best ranked NOC not yet qualified from the 2018 FIVB U19 World Championships.
# G. Qualification Timeline

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<th>Period</th>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Milestone</th>
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<td>Validation of final allocation of Universality Places by the YOG Tripartite Commission</td>
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<td>Qualification</td>
<td>1 April 2017 - 22 July 2018</td>
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<td>2018 FIVB U19 World Championships</td>
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<tr>
<td>Accreditation Deadline</td>
<td>&lt;date&gt;*</td>
<td>Buenos Aires 2018 Accreditation Deadline (All potential athletes must be registered in the system)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Inform and Confirm</td>
<td>27 July 2018</td>
<td>FIVB to inform the respective NOCs of their allocated quota places from D.1 and D.2</td>
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<tr>
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<td>10 August 2018</td>
<td>Deadline for Host Country to confirm in writing to FIVB and BAYOGOC the use of its place</td>
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<td>Deadline for NOCs to confirm in writing to FIVB and BAYOGOC the use of places from D.1 and D.2</td>
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<td>Reallocation</td>
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<td>FIVB to reallocate all unused quota places and NOCs to confirm with a maximum of 24 hours</td>
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<td>Sport Entries Deadline</td>
<td>23 August 2018</td>
<td>Entries deadline by name for all sports</td>
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<td>YOG</td>
<td>1 – 12 October 2018</td>
<td>3rd Summer Youth Olympic Games – Buenos Aires 2018</td>
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*To be defined*