



3x3 BASKETBALL 3x3 WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL SELECTION POLICY & STANDARDS

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The information in this Selection Policy is accurate as at 22 May 2025 but remains subject to change. As a result of the unique and extenuating circumstances caused by the late confirmation of Glasgow as hosts for the 2026 Games and the consequential outstanding Commonwealth Games Federation requirements, CGS and **basketballscotland** will be closely monitoring this Selection Policy to determine if any changes are necessary.

1. For the avoidance of doubt, CGS reserves the right to amend this Selection Policy in any manner, and in the sole and absolute discretion of CGS, should CGS consider that qualification process would be fairer having regard to the interests of all athletes and the prevailing circumstances.
2. In addition, CGS and **basketballscotland** reserve the right to not apply any aspect of this Selection Policy when making any decision, if in the sole and absolute discretion of CGS, it would, as judged by CGS, be unfair or unreasonable.

INTRODUCTION

3. This selection policy has been agreed by **basketballscotland** and Commonwealth Games Scotland (CGS). It provides detail on the process by which **basketballscotland** will arrive at athlete nominations, which will be submitted to CGS for consideration, for final selection to Team Scotland for Glasgow 2026.
4. Achievement, by an athlete, of individual selection standards, detailed in this document, is therefore the first step by which nomination can be considered. The final decision in selection to the 2026 Games lies with CGS.
5. **basketballscotland** will nominate only those athletes that have qualified under both the 3x3 Basketball Specific Selection Standards stated below, and the CGS General Selection Policy (available on the CGS website) that should be read in conjunction with these standards.
6. Entry numbers per event and the overall number of athletes are in accordance with Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF) allocation and should more athletes achieve the standards then **basketballscotland** will prioritise in accordance with this policy.
7. As hosts, the CGF invitation to compete will be accepted for all teams, in line with the CGS General Selection Policy.

SELECTION AIM

8. To select a team of athletes capable of competing with distinction for Scotland at the 2026 Commonwealth Games, and collectively:
 - Having a higher percentage of athletes meeting the general selection standards when in competition at these Games than in 2022.
 - Meeting the stated performance aims of each sport at the Games.
 - Team members having a positive experience within Team Scotland at the Games.
9. This 3x3 Basketball policy is consistent with this aim.

ELIGIBILITY & CONDITIONS FOR REPRESENTATION

10. Athlete eligibility and conditions for representing Scotland will be as outlined in the Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF) Constitution and Byelaws. Please see

Appendix 1 for the current eligibility Byelaw. Should these change, the most recent version will be used.

11. Where prospective team members do not automatically comply with the above, they will only be nominated for final selection if they receive prior approval from the CGF under their guidelines.

GAMES COMPETITION FORMAT

12. Games competition format is as follows for 3x3 Basketball:

- 12.1 Both Men's & Women's competitions will consist of 12 teams.
- 12.2 Teams will consist of 4 players, with 3 on court at any one time.
- 12.3 Games will be played on a half court with one hoop.
- 12.4 Games will last a maximum of 10 minutes or first to 21 points, with a 12 second shot clock.
- 12.5 If game tied at end of regulation time, the first team to score 2 points in overtime wins the game.

13. Games competition format is as follows for 3x3 Wheelchair Basketball:

- 13.1 Both Men's & Women's competitions will consist of 8 teams.
- 13.2 Teams will consist of 4 players, with 3 on court at any one time.
- 13.3 Games will be played on a half court with one hoop.
- 13.4 Games will last a maximum of 10 minutes or first to 21 points, with a 12 second shot clock.
- 13.5 If game tied at end of regulation time, the first team to score 2 points in overtime wins the game.

SPORT SPECIFIC SELECTION STANDARDS

14. As hosts, Scotland, shall be awarded an automatic qualification team slot in each of four medal events by the CGF. In line with the CGS General Selection Policy, these will be accepted to ensure Team Scotland are represented in each event within team sports at the Games.
15. Team composition will be determined by **basketballscotland** on the basis that the athletes selected are the best players, with the Commonwealth Games taking precedence over club or other international commitments.
16. **basketballscotland** nominations will only be selected by CGS where it is clear that performance at the Games has been made a competitive priority during the selection period (1 May 2025 to 1 June 2026) and their preparation programmes are directed at the best possible performance.

OTHER FACTORS FOR CONSIDERATION

17. Fitness Standards: The Head Coach will make available the minimum fitness assessment standards prior to the start of the nomination period.
18. Squad Size:
 - 18.1 **basketballscotland** will nominate 4 players in line with CGF allocation and four named reserves for each team by 1 June 2026.

18.2 Two players from the four reserves will be named by **basketballscotland** as named reserves and will attend all camps up to the entry to the Games. This is subject to finance being available from **basketballscotland** to take an additional two named reserves.

18.3 Final team players will be selected by CGS by 15 June 2026.

19. Form and Fitness Issues, prior to nomination:

19.1 Any player ill or injured prior to competing in any tournament leading up to the Games will undergo assessments to determine their ability to compete.

19.2 The assessments will be carried out by one or more of the following: a doctor; physiotherapist; S&C coach; and Head Coach and will include physical tests.

19.3 The physical tests will be agreed with the player and will include but not limited to: sprints; acceleration and deceleration; turning; basketball specific skills tasks and if required an aerobic component.

19.4 The final decision to compete will rest with the Head Coach and Head of Performance in consultation with the medical staff and other support staff.

19.5 Any selection or de-selection decision, following such a test, will be final.

20. Player characteristics are as set out in the **basketballscotland**'s performance criteria (Appendix 2).

21. All nominated athletes must have completed the required Anti-doping education.

SELECTION PROCESS

22. **basketballscotland** will submit their final nominations to CGS by 1 June 2026. CGS will confirm final selections by 15 June 2026.

23. Final selection to the Games team is dependent on provision of relevant information required by CGS such as completion and signing of the CGF Eligibility form and CGS Team Member Agreement.

DE-SELECTION

24. **Antidoping:** Athletes suspended by their Governing Body as a result of ongoing or concluded anti-doping violation allegations, will not be considered for selection, and if previously selected will be deselected from the Glasgow 2026 team.

25. **Injury Management:** Where injury issues are identified at or after selection, a fitness test may be used to determine that the athlete is capable of performing to the level that they were selected for the Games. The format will be determined by CGS after discussion with the 3x3 Basketball Team Management. This will be specific to 3x3 Basketball and the athlete's condition and may include input from CGS medical staff. Any selection or de-selection decision, following such a test, will be made by CGS after discussion with the 3x3 Basketball Team Management and will be final.

26. Athletes in breach of CGS policies, code of conduct or team agreement may be de-selected.

APPEAL PROCESS

27. An appeal against non-nomination to CGS by **basketballscotland** is entirely a matter for the athlete and **basketballscotland**. This should be held in accordance with **basketballscotland**'s own appeal procedures but taking into consideration only the CGS selection policy and agreed sport specific selections standards and conditions.
28. Any player not nominated to the team has the right to meet with the Head Coach and the Head of Performance to seek further clarification on their non-nomination to the team of players. The player must request this meeting by 1 May 2026. After this meeting, a player may appeal in writing to **basketballscotland** and that appeal must arrive at the **basketballscotland** offices within 2 days of the aforementioned meeting taking place, but no later than 8 May 2026. The CEO of **basketballscotland** will convene a meeting in line with **basketballscotland** policy and procedures, and within three days of receipt of the appeal. The player will be notified of the decision of the appeals panel, and the decision of the panel is final.
29. An appeal against CGS non-selection on behalf of an athlete may only be submitted by **basketballscotland** and not by any individual athlete. If an appeal is submitted to CGS by **basketballscotland**, a CGS Appeal Panel will consider the case along with any additional information provided. The appeal must be made by email to jon.doig@teamsotland.scot within 3 days of notification of selection outcomes to **basketballscotland** by CGS.

APPOINTMENT OF TEAM STAFF

30. A Team Manager will be appointed by CGS in consultation with **basketballscotland** by July 2025. The final complement of 3x3 Basketball team staff attending the Games will ultimately depend upon team numbers and composition and will be determined by CGS in consultation with **basketballscotland**. This will include different categories of accreditation and access to the Games accommodation and other secure areas.

APPENDIX 1 – CGF BYELAW 17

1. ELIGIBILITY	
1.1.	It is the responsibility of all Affiliated CGAs to ensure that their competitors are fully aware of and comply with Byelaw 17.
2. PRIMACY	
2.1.	<p>Subject to Byelaw 17(4) 17(5) 17(6) and 17(7), a competitor shall be eligible to represent the Commonwealth Country which enters them where they satisfy at least one of the following requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Are in possession of a current valid passport of the Commonwealth Country which enters them, or: b) Are a subject who can demonstrate 'Belonger Status' in Great Britain or relevant British Overseas Territory of the Commonwealth Country which enters them. c) In respect of the following Affiliated CGAs: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Guernsey, Jersey, and Isle of Man. The governments of these three Crown Dependencies do not define citizenship. For these Affiliated CGAs, citizenship shall be defined as three (3) years continuous residency immediately prior to the Commonwealth Games. For the avoidance of doubt, the immediately prior three-year period shall mean the three-year period that immediately precedes the "final entries deadline"* date of the relevant Games as determined by the respective Organising Committee ("Continuous Residency") and the competitor must be in possession of a current valid UK passport. ii. Northern Ireland. Byelaw 17 will defer to the Belfast Agreement (1998). Northern Ireland athletes who meet birth right criteria are to be treated equally regardless of their possession of either a current valid UK or Irish passport (but must hold one of these). This right is enshrined within the Constitution Issues (iv) of the 1998 Belfast Agreement. iii. Norfolk Island. Any individual who was in possession of a current valid New Zealand passport and was also deemed eligible to compete at the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games for Norfolk Islands may continue to compete for Norfolk Islands at future iterations of the Games.
3. SECONDARY	
3.1.	<p>Subject to Byelaw 17(4) 17(5) 17(6) and 17(7), where a competitor was born in a Commonwealth Country which has common citizenship/passport with other Commonwealth Countries, the competitor may represent either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) the Commonwealth Country of their birth; or b) the Commonwealth Country of birth of their parent; or

- c) where the relevant IF recognises grandparents as part of its eligibility criteria, the competitor may represent the Commonwealth Country of birth of their grandparent; or
- d) the Commonwealth Country where they have completed a minimum period of three (3) years continuous residency immediately prior to the Commonwealth Games. For the avoidance of doubt, the immediately prior three-year period shall mean the three-year period that immediately precedes the “final entries deadline”* of the relevant Games as determined by the respective Organising Committee.

3.2. Subject to the other provisions of this Byelaw 17, where a competitor is eligible to represent more than one Affiliated CGA due to common passport privileges they may choose which Affiliated CGA to represent. For the avoidance of doubt, if an individual has competed at a Commonwealth Youth Games this will not be deemed to be a choice of country, and the competitor may choose to represent a different Affiliated CGA at a Commonwealth Games.

3.3. For the avoidance of doubt subject to Byelaw 17(4) and 17(5) any competitor of a common passport area who competes for their common passport country (i.e. Great Britain, New Zealand and Australia) at either the Olympic Games, Youth Olympic Games and/or any World Championships or any other major sporting event shall be entitled to choose to represent their home Affiliated CGA (e.g. Turks and Caicos) at the Commonwealth Games.

4. DISQUALIFICATIONS AND SUSPENSIONS

- 4.1. A competitor shall not be eligible to represent the Commonwealth Country which enters them if they:
- a) are currently under disqualification, expulsion, or suspension by the Federation; and/or
 - b) are currently under disqualification, expulsion, or suspension by their respective Affiliated CGA; and/or
 - c) are currently under disqualification, expulsion, or suspension by their respective IF, National Federation, and/or
 - d) are currently under disqualification or suspension under the World Anti-Doping Code.

5. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 5.1. A competitor shall only be eligible to represent the Commonwealth Country which enters them if they:
- a) Satisfy and comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the Federation; and
 - b) Satisfy and comply their respective IF rules and regulations (including but not limited to, complying with respective IF eligibility rules as applied

- within each respective edition of the Commonwealth Games Athlete Allocation Systems); and
- c) Satisfy and comply with the World Anti-Doping Code as applied within the Federation Anti-Doping Standard to ensure that the overriding principles of the Commonwealth Games are observed.

- 5.2. For the avoidance of doubt, where there is an inconsistency between respective IF Nationality rules and regulations and those of the Commonwealth Games Federation, the Commonwealth Games Federation Bye Law 17 shall prevail.

6. TRANSFER OF ALLEGIANCE

- 6.1. After having established eligibility status under this Byelaw 17 a competitor who has previously represented one Commonwealth Country at a Commonwealth Games may not represent another Commonwealth Country unless they also receive the prior approval of the Federation, the relevant IF and the relevant previously represented Affiliated CGA. For the avoidance of doubt, this Byelaw shall not apply if an individual has represented a Commonwealth Country at a Commonwealth Youth Games. Applications under this Byelaw 17(6) must be submitted to the Executive Board two calendar months before the “final entries deadline”^{*} for the respective Commonwealth Games. Applications must include formal confirmation of the prior approval of the relevant IF and the relevant previously represented Affiliated CGA.
- 6.2. All applications for transfer of allegiance under Byelaw 17(6) and/or discretionary eligibility dispensation under Byelaw 17(7) including all relevant paperwork and documentation must be submitted no later than two calendar months prior to the published “final entries deadline”^{*}, as outlined by the respective Organising Committee.

7. DISPENSATIONS

- 7.1. The Executive Board shall delegate authority to the Governance and Integrity Committee (GIC) who have the power to grant dispensations to Byelaw 17 in exceptional circumstances and to consider any matters relating generally to Byelaw 17. Each application for dispensation under Byelaw 17 shall be considered on its own merits and will not create a precedent for any future applications. Decisions made by GIC are subject to the right of appeal directly to the Executive Board, whose decision shall be final and binding.

^{*}“final entries deadline” means the final date that an individual athlete may be entered in a particular event(s) for the relevant Commonwealth Games, usually completed via an online entry system. Such date to be communicated for each relevant Commonwealth Games in the Sport Handbook.

APPENDIX 2 – basketballscotland PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

PLAYER ID PROCESS

Talent ID, tracking and monitoring of athletes for the National Team Programme is an ongoing process throughout the year. Player recommendations can be made by all NT coaching staff, National and Local League Coaching staff, School, College, University Coaching staff and all overseas coaching staff based on players performance in the following:

- Performance at domestic and/or international competitions.
- Performance with professional, university, college, club, high school or other organised teams.
- Performance at talent identification camps or training programs.
- Performance at previous or current national team try outs, training camps or competitions.
- Performance on previous national teams.

OFF-THE-COURT ATTRIBUTES

- Demonstrated commitment to playing international basketball for Scotland.
- Demonstrated commitment to a lifestyle conducive to the training and preparation for and playing of international basketball.
- Demonstrated positive attitudes towards the sport, the national team and **basketballscotland**.
- Demonstrate commitment to travel, training sessions, competitions, and any activities, commitments and functions related to the national team.

ON-THE-COURT ATTRIBUTES

- Demonstrated ability to play within a team, including the ability to contribute to and enhance team performance.
- Demonstrated athletic ability, including size, speed, quickness and strength.
- Demonstrated basketball skills including scoring, ball-handling, passing, rebounding.
- Demonstrated on-court decision-making abilities.
- Demonstrated ability to play under pressure and to apply defensive pressure.
- Defensive skills.
- Aggressive and assertive play, and mental toughness.
- Demonstrated positive attitude including coachability, continued desire to improve personal skills, and desire to contribute to Team objectives.
- Proven competitive experience playing 3x3 basketball at the international level.

TEAM PLAY ATTRIBUTES

- Demonstrated ability and willingness to work effectively and cooperate within the team environment.
- Demonstrated ability to contribute to overall team cohesiveness and to communicate effectively with coaching staff and other players both on and off the court.
- Demonstrated ability and willingness to implement the team's game plan.

PERSONAL & PHYSICAL ATTRIBUTES

- Proven optimal aerobic and anaerobic fitness, as well as optimal power, strength, quickness, speed and flexibility.
- Demonstrated cooperative and team-oriented attitudes.
- Demonstrated self-motivation, confidence, determination and goal-oriented nature.
- Demonstrated flexibility and adaptability to change.
- Leadership.

basketballscotland TALENT BEHAVIOURS

Our players are expected to think about and live these talent behaviours every day, on and off the basketball court.

- Resilience: We handle adversity, stay focused and never quit. #Braveheart
- Integrity: We devote total intensity to every aspect of playing and training.
- Teamwork: We compete for the team above the individual.
- Dedication: We work hard all the time and display a positive work ethic.
- Responsibility: We take ownership of our actions and never make excuses.
- Communication We talk on court and can take and give feedback.