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Introduction

1. The main objectives of the Australian Ice Racing (AIR) 2022-2023 National Selection Policy are as set below:
 - a. to ensure the selection of the best possible team (and athletes) to represent Australia;
 - b. to ensure maintenance of our strategic partnership with program partners based on results.
 - c. To align with AIR's Strategic Plan 2022 - 2026
2. This requires Australian Ice Racing to establish minimum qualification standards that support the movement towards such results and ensure continued support from program partners. Attainment of the minimum qualification requirement alone will not guarantee selection into any of the teams mentioned in this policy.

This selection policy applies to athletes seeking selection to the following teams or squads:

Short Track Speed Skating

- a. Australian World Cup Short Track Speed Skating Team
- b. Australian World Championship Short Track Speed Skating Team
- c. Australian Four Continents Short Track Speed Skating Team
- d. Australian World Junior Championship Short Track Speed Skating Team
- e. FISU Winter World University Games (Winter Universiade) Team

Only coaches, team officials and team support members approved by the Board of Australian Ice Racing will be appointed in any capacity to an Australian Team. Any program partner official who is chosen to be part of any Australian team will be bound by this policy.

Officials will be required to sign an Australian Team Official Agreement at the commencement of each international season, or prior to the first event in which they will conduct duties, and this will remain in effect until the final event of the season in which Australia will be represented.

Athletes will be required to sign an Australian Team Athlete Agreement that binds the athlete to the conditions set in this policy, those policies set by AIR, and any related program that supports the promotion of high-performance results for Australia.

Any refusal to sign the agreement or agree to any condition of such agreement will make the athlete or official ineligible to be a member of any Australian team.

3. This Selection Policy remains in force until amended, revoked, or replaced by the AIR Board in accordance with the AIR Constitution in relation to policies and by-laws.

Interpretation

4. Unless the context otherwise requires, terms used in this Selection Policy shall have the same meaning as in AIR's Constitution and Regulations.
5. No particular selection criteria will be weighted more or less significantly by reason of the order in which that criterion appears in this Selection Policy.

COVID-19 Clause

- AIR retains the right to decide, due to factors affected by COVID-19 pandemic (travel bans, travel restrictions, lockdown rules, costs associated with travel and insurance of the team along with the health and safety of the team) to withdraw or cancel Australia's attendance at any event.

Selection Guidelines

- AIR may appoint a Selection Panel whose task will be, in consultation with a designated coach, technical person, or persons, where required, to appoint a team for each event.
- Where a selection panel is utilised, the Selection Panel Chair will make recommendations regarding team selections to the AIR Board for approval. The AIR Board may also appoint, at its discretion, a Selection Review Panel (SRP) consisting of three members whose task will be to review team selection decisions made by the Selection Panel Chair, if required. Where any dispute regarding selection is encountered, the decision will be referred to the SRP for review and seek recommendation. The Selection Panel Chair will submit all reasons for selection of athletes, where required, directly to all members of the SRP.

The SRP may meet either in person or by remote communication, which may include teleconferencing, emails, or internet video link, or any other means deemed suitable to discuss selection decisions. The SRP will have 72 hours to review any selection decision when such a decision is requested for review by AIR.

- This selection policy covers the period from the date indicated on the front of the policy and on each page, through to the completion of the 2022-2023 ISU international racing season and any other relevant dates indicated within the policy.
- In order to be eligible for selection, all athletes must comply with ISU Rule 109 'Participation in Competitions' and any other rule(s) set down by the ISU from time to time.
- All Short Track Speed Skating and Speed Skating qualification time paperwork must be forwarded to the General Secretary within 7-days of the time being recorded **or** no later than the cut-off date and time required for any qualification standard, whichever is the lesser time period.
- Any submitted time must have been completed in accordance with the specific team guidelines that the athlete is attempting to join (Attachments A to E) and must be attained within the guidelines set in Time Trial Standards or within the relevant specific attachment.
- The Selection Panel (If utilised) will take into consideration the relevant qualification times, formats and criteria for each AIR Team set out in Attachments A to E.
- Any selection trials formats will be approved by the AIR Board and published after the qualifying time cut-off date and prior to selection trial dates indicated in the relevant attachment in this policy.
- All athletes selected into any AIR team must:
 - Sign and comply with the AIR Athletes' Code of Conduct;
 - Sign and comply with AIR Team Agreement. An AIR Team Agreement will be provided to athletes on selection to one of the AIR Teams;
 - Register with Sport Integrity Australia (SIA) and complete the [SIA e-learning module Anti-Doping Fundamentals Course \(formerly Level 1\)](#); and

d. Register with [ISU eLearning](#) and complete the “Pure as Ice” course.

If, after any team has been selected, any selected athlete is unable to compete, it will be the responsibility of the Selection Panel Chair to recommend and seek approval from the AIR board a replacement if there is a qualified athlete available.

Agreements and certificate of course completion are to be forwarded to generalsecretary@australianiceracing.org as soon as they are available.

16. Once selected, athletes must maintain a level of fitness with which the decision of selection into a particular team was made. If a member of the team suffers a loss of fitness, form, injury, or illness that prevents them from competing at the standard required at international competitions, the Selection Panel Chair or other designated coach or person appointed by the AIR board, may make a recommendation to the AIR Board that an athlete be removed from an AIR team. The AIR Board shall have the final determination as to whether an athlete is to be removed from a team. An athlete attached to any team (as indicated in this policy) has an obligation to advise the General Secretary of any illness or injury that may affect their performance.
17. If a selected athlete, through their actions or deeds, brings AIR or the sport of ice speed skating into disrepute, they may be immediately removed from an AIR Team and sanctions may be imposed on that athlete in accordance with the AIR Code of Conduct, Member Protection Policy and/or the AIR Disciplinary Code.

An athlete who qualifies for and is selected into an Australian Team must agree to participate in both the individual and relay (team and mixed formats) events if held. Failure to compete in the relay event, if selected to contest in the relay event, may result in that athlete’s withdrawal from the rest of the competition and the athlete may be immediately removed from any National program or team upon review of the circumstances by the AIR Board.

18. This Selection Policy will be made available on the AIR website at www.australianiceracing.org. AIR reserves the right to change the Selection Policy at any time. Affiliated State bodies will be notified by email 7-days prior to any changes coming into effect. The State bodies will be responsible to ensure that all athletes affected are notified of any relevant changes forthwith.
19. In addition to the requirements and criteria set out elsewhere in this Selection Policy, the Selection Panel Chair, and the Selection Review Panel if applicable, may consider:
- Consistency in standards of behaviour conducive to supporting the goals of the team and overall objectives of AIR.
 - Demonstrated and/or potential ability to work with AIR/OWIA/AIS high performance coaching staff, team officials and other competitors or any other program facilitator engaged by AIR.
 - Demonstrated attitude and commitment to AIR’s Short Track Excellence Program (or any other program) and the promotion of AIR and, but not only, regarding national representation.
 - Past national and international performances in events and over such periods as determined by the AIR Board;
 - Current national and international performances including performance over the preceding ISU international competition season;
 - Current Australian ranking (if any);
 - Current international ranking (if any);
 - The athlete’s current level of skill and physical fitness;
 - Any current or potential injury or condition which will impair, inhibit, or prevent the athlete’s performance to the requisite level.

- The potential of the athlete to successfully achieve the objectives of this Selection Policy and of AIR under its Constitution; and
- Any other factor they consider relevant in the circumstances.

20. Any athlete who:

- Breaches or fails to observe this Selection Policy, the AIR Constitution or its regulations/by-laws;
- By reason of illness or injury is unable to perform to the required standard in the opinion of the Selectors (after having received advice from a medical practitioner);
- Breaches or fails to fulfil a requirement of the AIR Anti-Doping Policy;
- Breaches or fails to comply, fulfil or observe the requirements in the AIR Team Agreement or any other agreement between AIR and an athlete,
- Refuses to accept all conditions of the AIR team Agreement,

may become ineligible for selection to or continued membership of the relevant AIR Program or Team.

21. Any athlete may be removed from an AIR Program or Team by the program Director or the Selection Panel Chair in consultation with relevant coaching staff as the circumstances may require, including where the athlete has failed to sustain his or her performance, attitude and training ethos to a satisfactory level, provided that the required performance standards have first been discussed with the athlete and the athlete has been given the opportunity to attain those performance standards. This information will be immediately conveyed to the AIR Board via the General Secretary for ratification by the AIR Board who may review the decision.

Selection Procedure

22. All athletes wishing to be considered for selection into an AIR Team must supply AIR with their current contact details including residential address and phone number, mobile phone number (if applicable) and email address. These details must be received by the General Secretary **no later than 1 August 2022**. Failure to do so could result in ineligibility for selection into an Australian Teams. Such details must be submitted using the Athlete Contact Details form (Form 2).

23. Any change to an athlete's personal contact details must be conveyed to the General Secretary not later than 7-days after any detail changing.

24. All athletes wishing to compete at any AIR selection trial must complete an Athlete Nomination Form (Form 1) to the General Secretary **no later than 1 August 2022**. Athletes must have attained the minimum required standards to be considered for any trials. The athlete does not need to achieve these times prior to nominating however they must achieve the required time standards prior to the final date indicated for qualification times in the relevant attachment.

25. If an athlete is unable to attend a selection trial or a compulsory event for which they must compete or attend as part of this policy, they must provide documentary evidence of the extenuating circumstances as to why they cannot attend, and failing to attend, that they can compete to the required standard expected of an international athlete. It may be the case from time to time where a high-performance athlete may be granted an exemption from contesting the below compulsory events. This will be where it benefits the sport of short track speed skating for Australia and the athlete is considered current podium potential at the International level through past proven results.

For the 2022-2023 season, the following events (if held) are considered compulsory for athletes seeking selection into any national short track squad/team:

- Australian Open Short Track Speed Skating Championships (Sept 30 to Oct 2, 2022)

- Australian Short Track World Cup Selection Trials (if held)
- Australian Four Continents Short Track Championships Selection Trials (if held)
- Australian World Short Track Championships Selection Trials (if held)
- Australian Junior World Short Track Championships Trials (if held)
- Any other trials for selection to an Australian Team deemed necessary

AIR will have total discretion to combine various trials if necessary.

The Selection Panel will have total discretion in selection and may have regard to any one or more of the criteria in any selection process, including the philosophical objective as stated in Paragraph 1 of this Selection Policy, however in the first instance, qualification time standard will be considered.

26. The Selection Panel Chair may invite athletes to contest in selection trials where an athlete has not met all required time standards, but only where, in the opinion of the Selection Panel Chair, given all relevant details, the athlete is of an international competitive standard. This may include the waiving of any compulsory event where it would be against the interests of AIR to not include the athlete and where the athlete had extenuating circumstances in not meeting any compulsory requirement.
27. The Selection Panel may from time to time, in their discretion, select an athlete who is not otherwise eligible or under consideration. This may occur for a variety of reasons, but not limited to illness or injury to an athlete at a relevant time, newly obtained citizenship or clearance to compete for Australia or where extenuating circumstances align themselves with Paragraph 1 of this policy in that it may restrict Australian international results to not include an athlete. Where the Selection Panel includes an athlete into a representative team in this manner, the Selection Panel Chair is to notify the Selection Review Panel and document the reasons why the athlete is included in the team. The Selection Panel Chair will present the reasons to the AIR Board for approval and will also provide documentation to the AIR General Secretary for recording purposes.
28. The Selection Panel Chair and the Selection Review Panel may consider extenuating circumstances in reviewing their selection decision(s). The athlete must outline the extenuating circumstances and notify the General Secretary in writing via email no later than 2 days following the selection announcements or selection trials and in the case that trials were not held no later than 2 days following the announcement of the team for the event in which they have nominated. The email should be accompanied by supporting documentation of the extenuating circumstances that they are claiming. Once notified of the dispute, the Selection Panel Chair and the Selection Review Panel will make a final recommendation to the AIR Board who will notify the athlete of their decision within 72 hours.
29. A voting majority of the Selection Review Panel is required for any decision. Subject to this Selection Policy, the decision of the Selection Review Panel will be final in any dispute. This shall not prevent, limit or restrict the Selection Review Panel changing the selection of any squad, team, individual or official at any time in their discretion, having regard to all the circumstances.
30. Unless expressly requested by the Selection Review Panel, athletes have no right to make submissions or representations to, or appear before, the Selection Review Panel.
31. The AIR Board will be notified of selected teams by the Selection Panel Chair within 24 hours for Board ratification. The General Secretary will inform all athletes of their selection or otherwise via email, public announcement, letter or otherwise.
32. Any dispute in relation to non-selection by a fully qualified athlete (all time standards met) is to be submitted in writing to the Selection Panel Chair within 2 days of an athlete being

notified of their non-selection. The grounds of dispute must be set out in dot point and will be preceded by the heading 'Grounds of Dispute' within the document.

33. Once notified of the dispute, the selectors will make a final determination and will notify the athlete of their decision within 72 hours.
34. Any dispute or appeal involving the non-selection of an athlete will be referred directly to the AIR Selection Review Panel for review and a final recommendation. Such recommendation will be referred directly to the AIR Board for ratification.
35. Responsibility of the Selection Panel Chair ceases immediately prior to the commencement of the event for which a team has been selected.

AUSTRALIAN RACING SUIT

Athletes selected into any Australian team will be supplied with at least one Australian racing suit for the competition for which they are selected. Suits may not be of a new standard but will be the uniform for all Australian athletes in accordance with ISU rules.

The suit will remain the property of Australian Ice Racing and/or the AIR Sport Partner and may be requested to be returned at any time after the event(s) for which the athlete has competed in. Athletes may purchase an extra suit for their own retention.

Due to the high costs of protective racing suits, AIR will not be obligated to supply a suit for retention by athletes and newly selected athletes may be provided with a previously used suit. Athletes will be required to accept this condition as part of being a member of any Australian team.

FUNDING SUPPORT

Athletes who have been selected for the Australian Team may not necessarily receive direct funding support. The AIR Board has total discretion in determining the international events in which it will provide funding support and the level of support per athlete on the Australian Team.

The AIR Board will take into consideration, but not limited to, the following:

- The athlete's current and emerging podium potential;
- The AIR budget;
- The level of funding, grant or sponsorship from Australian Government, International Skating Union and corporate sponsors, etc which is available;
- The number of international events to be attended;
- The athlete's individual support from other sources.
- The level of support shown for Australian Ice Racing by the athlete in past seasons and current season.

Where the AIR Board considers an athlete is of a level such to achieve the objectives of this policy, AIR will have absolute discretion to award funding as they see fit.

Attachment A

2022-2023 Australian Short Track World Cup Team Selection Criteria

Planned Events

World Cup #1	28-30 October 2022 – Montreal, CAN
World Cup #2	4-6 November 2022 – Salt Lake City, USA
World Cup #3	9-11 December 2022 – Almaty, KAZ
World Cup #4	16-18 December 2022 – Almaty, KAZ
World Cup #5	3-5 February 2023 – Dresden, GER
World Cup #6	10-12 February 2023 – Dordrecht, NED

All AIR registered athletes who are eligible to compete for Australia and have met the selection criteria in this selection policy may apply to be considered for selection to the 2022-2023 Australian Short Track Speed Skating World Cup (STWC) Team. AIR will have total discretion in determining the attendance to any World Cup events during the season.

To be eligible for selection into a 2022-2023 Australian Short Track World Cup Team, athletes must have reached the age of 15 before 1st July 2022.

The goal of AIR in sending athletes to these events is to secure the best possible results at an international level, supporting the high-performance strategy of Sports Australia.

A maximum of 6 males and 6 females may be selected for any 2022-2023 STWC Team

AIR will select the best possible team for each World Cup based on results and current performance level of the qualified athletes with the goal of building capacity for relay representation at the 2026 Olympic Winter Games. Achieving the below qualification standards will not guarantee selection into the Australian Team for any World Cup and will be subject to the number of skaters qualified by the below method. AIR may also, at their complete discretion, appoint an athlete who has not met all the required qualification. (Refer to Appointment to Team section)

AIR will have total discretion to decide on which World Cup event(s) the team will attend and how many athletes will attend such event(s).

To be considered for selection into the Team, athletes must:

- Have achieved the 500m time and either 1000m or 1500m qualifying time as stated below.

World Cup Qualifying	500m	1000m	1500m
Senior Men	42.50	1:27.0	2:16.50
Senior Ladies	44.50	1:31.00	2:25.50

- Qualifying times can be achieved through the following methods:
 1. At any 2021/2022 ISU events, ISU sanctioned competitions or at the 2022 Olympic Winter Games; or
 2. At any ISU events or ISU sanctioned competitions held after 1 January 2022 to 3 October 2022 (5pm AEST); or
 3. At any AIR sanctioned event held after 1 January 2022 and prior to 3 October 2022 (5pm AEST), where electronic timing is used (or manual time recording based on guidelines in 'Form 3'); or
 4. At a sanctioned time trial as per the guidelines in Attachment F held after 1 January 2022 and prior to 3 October 2022 (5pm AEST).
- Contest in the 2022 Australian Open Short Track Speed Skating Championships in Junior or Senior Division unless granted an exemption by the AIR Board;

- Contest in the 2022-2023 AIR World Cup Short Track Speed Skating Team Selection Trial, if held.
- Agree to make themselves available for both individual and relay selection for Australia,
- Has met all compulsory requirements, events, and activities to be considered for selection unless an exemption has been granted in accordance with this policy.
- Any athlete wishing to contest selection trials for the World Cup team must have attained the above standards and must meet the age requirements for World Cup participation.

Appointment to Team

If the number of qualifying athletes is less than the quota places (for both individual or relay events), the Selection Panel Chair in consultation with the AIR Board, may invite an unqualified athlete or athletes to compete at World Cup events. However, AIR may at its complete discretion decide not to fill vacant quota places.

Any athlete invited to participate without having met the required standards, will be required to meet their own expenses to attend any World Cup unless otherwise approved for funding by AIR. This is at the complete discretion of AIR and will be a condition of acceptance into any team.

The National Coach, or AIR appointed person at any World Cup event, in consultation with any other nominated team officials or support staff in attendance at a World Cup event, may assess the athlete(s) performance(s) and will at his or her discretion determine which athletes will skate the relay events. The National Coach, or other appointed person in that capacity will also have final determination over which distances each skater will contest.

A different combination of athletes may be selected to skate each round of the relay competition.

Australian Ice Racing will hold selection trials on a date determined, but the holding of such selection trials may not be required if the number of qualified athletes, including the number of pre-selected pool athletes, is less than the maximum allowed for World Cup competition. The format of the selection trial will be released to athletes after the qualifying cut-off date and prior to the trials being held.

The Selection Panel may consider the results of the trials in making their selection decisions however they will not be bound to select every athlete who qualifies if it is considered the athlete will not be competitive at an international (World Cup) level.

Note

In Australia, a sanctioned event will be considered all AIR competitions, State Member State Championships and any event that is endorsed as a sanctioned event by the AIR Board prior to the commencement of the event.

Outside of Australia, a sanctioned event is an event organised by the ISU, an ISU member, or an organisation affiliated to an ISU member, where the competition is presided over by a qualified referee and electronic timing is utilised or any other competition deemed an 'International Competition' as per the ISU regulations.

Attachment B

2023 Four Continents Short Track Speed Skating Championship Australian Team Selection Criteria

11 to 13 November 2022 – Salt Lake City, USA

All AIR registered athletes who are eligible to compete for Australia and have met the selection criteria in this Selection Policy may apply to be *considered* for selection to the 2023 Four Continents Short Track Speed Skating Championship (ST4CCH) Australian Team.

To be eligible for 2023 Four Continents Short Track Speed Skating Championship Australian Team selection, athletes must have reached the age of 15 before 1st July 2022.

The goal of AIR in sending athletes to this event is to secure the best possible results at an international level, supporting the high-performance strategy of Sports Australia.

As per ISU Rule 285, for the season 2022/2023 each Four Continents ISU Member has the right to enter 3 competitors in each category.

Athletes seeking selection into the AIR 2023 Four Continents Short Track Speed Skating Championships Team will be selected as per below. AIR reserves the right to not send a team to this event due to COVID-19 concerns, restrictions and/or associated costs.

To be considered for selection into the Team, athletes must:

- Have achieved the 500m time and either 1000m or 1500m qualifying time as stated below.

ST4CCH Qualifying	500m	1000m	1500m
Senior Men	42.50	1:27.0	2:16.50
Senior Ladies	44.50	1:31.00	2:25.50

- Qualifying times can be achieved through the following methods:
 1. At any 2021/2022 ISU events, ISU sanctioned competitions or at the 2022 Olympic Winter Games; or
 2. At any ISU events or ISU sanctioned competitions held after 1 January 2022 to 3 October 2022 (5pm AEST); or
 3. At any AIR sanctioned event held after 1 January 2022 and prior to 3 October 2022 (5pm AEST), where electronic timing is used (or manual time recording based on guidelines in 'Form 3'); or
 4. At a sanctioned time trial as per the guidelines in Attachment F held after 1 January 2022 and prior to 3 October 2022 (5pm AEST).
- Contest in the 2022 Australian Open Short Track Speed Skating Championships in Junior or Senior Division unless granted an exemption by the AIR Board;
- Contest in the 2022-2023 AIR Four Continents Short Track Championships Selection Trials, if held.
- Agree to make themselves available for both individual and relay selection for Australia,
- Has met all compulsory requirements, events, and activities to be considered for selection unless an exemption has been granted in accordance with this policy.
- Any athlete wishing to contest selection trials for the Australian Four Continents Short Track Championships team must have attained the above standards and must meet the age requirements for Four Continents Short Track Championships participation.

Appointment to Team

If the number of qualifying athletes is less than the quota places (for both individual or relay events), the Selection Panel Chair in consultation with the AIR Board, may invite an unqualified athlete or athletes to compete at Four Continents Short Track Championships. However, AIR may at its complete discretion decide not to fill vacant quota places.

Any athlete invited to participate without having met the required standards, will be required to meet their own expenses to attend the Four Continents Short Track Championships unless otherwise approved for funding by AIR. This is at the complete discretion of AIR and will be a condition of acceptance into any team.

The National Coach, or AIR appointed person, in consultation with any other nominated team officials or support staff in attendance at the Four Continents Short Track Speed Skating Championships, will assess all athletes' performances and will in his/her discretion determine which athletes will skate each individual distance and relay events if Australia has qualified for relay positions. A different combination of athletes may be selected to skate each round of the relay competition.

Australian Ice Racing will hold selection trials on a date determined, but the holding of such selection trials may not be required if the number of qualified athletes, including the number of pre-selected pool athletes, is less than the maximum allowed for the Championships. The format of the selection trial will be released to athletes after the qualifying cut-off date and prior to the trials being held.

The Selection Panel may consider the results of the trials in making their selection decisions however they will not be bound to select every athlete who qualifies if it is considered the athlete will not be competitive at an international (World Cup) level.

Note

In Australia, a sanctioned event will be considered all AIR competitions, State Member State Championships and any event that is endorsed as a sanctioned event by the AIR Board prior to the commencement of the event.

Outside of Australia, a sanctioned event is an event organised by the ISU, an ISU member, or an organisation affiliated to an ISU member, where the competition is presided over by a qualified referee and electronic timing is utilised, or any other competition deemed an 'International Competition' as per ISU regulations.

Attachment C

2023 World Short Track Speed Skating Championship Australian Team Selection Criteria

10 to 12 March 2023 – Seoul, Korea

All AIR registered athletes who are eligible to compete for Australia and have met the selection criteria in this Selection Policy may apply to be considered for selection to the 2023 World Short Track Speed Skating Championship (STWCH) Australian Team.

To be eligible for 2023 Short Track Speed Skating World Championship Australian Team selection, athletes must have reached the age of 15 before 1st July 2022.

The goal of AIR in sending athletes to this event is to secure the best possible results at an international level, supporting the high-performance strategy of Sports Australia.

The number of athletes for Australia qualified to contest will be advised by the ISU and is subject to the ranking from the preceding World Championships or as otherwise advised by the ISU.

To be considered for selection into the Team, athletes must:

- Have achieved the 500m time and either 1000m or 1500m qualifying time as stated below.

WCH Qualifying	500m	1000m	1500m
Senior Men	42.00	1:26.00	2:15.00
Senior Ladies	43.50	1:30.00	2:25.00

- Qualifying times can be achieved through the following methods:
 - 1) At any ISU events or ISU sanctioned competitions held after 1 January 2022 and prior to 13 February 2023 (5pm AEST); or
 - 2) At any AIR sanctioned event held after 1 January 2022 and prior to 13 February 2023 (5pm AEST), where electronic timing is used (or manual time recording based on guidelines in 'Form 3'); or
 - 3) At a sanctioned time trial as per the guidelines in Attachment F held after 1 January 2022 and prior to 13 February 2023 (5pm AEST).
- Contest in the 2022 Australian Open Short Track Speed Skating Championships in Junior or Senior Division unless granted an exemption by the AIR Board;
- Contest in the 2022-2023 AIR World Short Track Championships Selection Trials, if held.
- Agree to make themselves available for both individual and relay selection for Australia,
- Has met all compulsory requirements, events, and activities to be considered for selection unless an exemption has been granted in accordance with this policy.
- Any athlete wishing to contest selection trials for the Australian World Short Track Championships team must have attained the above standards and must meet the age requirements for World Short Track Championships participation.

Appointment to Team

The Selection Panel Chair may submit recommendations to the AIR Board to appoint skaters to represent Australia at the Championships based on the current season results from the following qualifying domestic and international competitions:

- 2022 Australian Open Championships
- 2022/2023 World Cups and Four Continents Championships
- 2023 World Championships Selection trials (if held)

If the number of qualifying athletes is less than the quota places (for both individual or relay events), the Selection Panel Chair in consultation with the AIR Board, may invite an unqualified athlete or athletes to compete at the World Short Track Speed Skating Championships. However, AIR may at its complete discretion decide not to fill vacant quota places.

Any athlete invited to participate without having met the required standards, will be required to meet their own expenses to attend the World Short Track Speed Skating Championships unless otherwise approved for funding by AIR. This is at the complete discretion of AIR and will be a condition of acceptance into any team.

The National Coach, or AIR appointed person, in consultation with any other nominated team officials or support staff in attendance at the World Short Track Speed Skating Championships, will assess all athletes' performances and will in his/her discretion determine which athletes will skate each individual distance and relay events if Australia has qualified for relay positions. A different combination of athletes may be selected to skate each round of the relay competition.

Australian Ice Racing will hold selection trials on a date determined, but the holding of such selection trials may not be required if the number of qualified athletes, including the number of pre-selected pool athletes, is less than the maximum allowed for the Championships. The format of the selection trial will be released to athletes after the qualifying cut-off date and prior to the trials being held.

The Selection Panel may consider the results of the trials in making their selection decisions however they will not be bound to select every athlete who qualifies if it is considered the athlete will not be competitive at an international (World Cup) level.

Note

In Australia, a sanctioned event will be considered all AIR competitions, State Member State Championships and any event that is endorsed as a sanctioned event by the AIR Board prior to the commencement of the event.

Outside of Australia, a sanctioned event is an event organised by the ISU, an ISU member, or an organisation affiliated to an ISU member, where the competition is presided over by a qualified referee and electronic timing is utilised, or any other competition deemed an 'International Competition' as per ISU regulations.

Attachment D

2023 World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championship Australian Team Selection Criteria 27 to 29 January 2023 – Dresden, Germany

All AIR registered athletes who have met the selection criteria in this Selection Policy may apply to be considered for selection to the 2023 World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championship (WJCST) Australian Team.

To be eligible for the 2023 World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Australian Team, athletes must have reached the age of 14 before 1 July 2022 and must not reach the age of 19 before 1 July 2022.

AIR reserves the right to not send a team to this event due to COVID-19 concerns, travel restrictions and/or costs associated with COVID-19 compliance, health and safety.

A maximum of 4 males and 4 females may be selected for the 2023 WJCST Team

Athletes seeking selection into the 2023 World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Australian Team must qualify using one of the methods indicated below:

METHOD A - PRE-SELECTION CRITERIA:

Any age qualified athlete who has qualified for 2022/2023 World Cup, Four Continents or Senior World Short Track Speed Skating Championship selection as per Attachment A, B or C, and where four (4) or less athletes qualify by this method, that athlete will be pre-selected to represent Australia at the World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships. Where more than four (4) athletes qualify by this method, all athletes will be required to participate in selection trials as decided by AIR

OR

METHOD B:

- Have achieved 2 of the 3 qualifying times as stated below.

JWCH Qualifying	500m	1000m	1500m
Junior Men	43.00	1:30.00	2:20.00
Junior Ladies	45.50	1:33.50	2:30.00

- Qualifying times can be achieved through the following methods:
 1. At any ISU events or ISU sanctioned competitions held after 1 January 2022 and prior to 30 November 2022 (5pm AEST); or
 2. At any AIR sanctioned event held after 1 January 2022 and prior to 30 November 2022 (5pm AEST), where electronic timing is used (or manual time recording based on guidelines in 'Form 3'); or
 3. At a sanctioned time trial as per the guidelines in Attachment F held after 1 January 2022 and prior to 30 November 2022 (5pm AEST).
- Contest in the 2022 Australian Open Short Track Speed Skating Championships in Junior or Senior Division unless granted an exemption by the AIR Board;
- Contest in the 2022-2023 AIR World Junior Short Track Championships Selection Trials, if held.
- Agree to make themselves available for both individual and relay selection for Australia,
- Has met all compulsory requirements, events, and activities to be considered for selection unless an exemption has been granted in accordance with this policy.

- Any athlete wishing to contest selection trials for the Australian World Junior Short Track Championships team must have attained the above standards and must meet the age requirements for World Junior Short Track Championships participation.

Appointment to Team

If the number of qualifying athletes is less than the quota places (for both individual or relay events), the Selection Panel Chair in consultation with the AIR Board, may invite an unqualified athlete or athletes to compete at Four Continents Short Track Championships. However, AIR may at its complete discretion decide not to fill vacant quota places.

Any athlete invited to participate without having met the required standards, will be required to meet their own expenses to attend the World Junior Short Track Championships unless otherwise approved for funding by AIR. This is at the complete discretion of AIR and will be a condition of acceptance into any team.

The National Coach, or AIR appointed person, in consultation with any other nominated team officials or support staff in attendance at the World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships, will assess all athletes' performances and will in his/her discretion determine which athletes will skate each individual distance and relay events if Australia has qualified for relay positions. A different combination of athletes may be selected to skate each round of the relay competition.

Australian Ice Racing will hold selection trials on a date determined, but the holding of such selection trials may not be required if the number of qualified athletes, including the number of pre-selected pool athletes, is less than the maximum allowed for the Championships. The format of the selection trial will be released to athletes after the qualifying cut-off date and prior to the trials being held.

The Selection Panel may consider the results of the trials in making their selection decisions however they will not be bound to select every athlete who qualifies if it is considered the athlete will not be competitive at an international level.

Note

In Australia, a sanctioned event will be considered all AIR competitions, State Member State Championships and any event that is endorsed as a sanctioned event by the AIR Board prior to the commencement of the event.

Outside of Australia, a sanctioned event is an event organised by the ISU, an ISU member, or an organisation affiliated to an ISU member, where the competition is presided over by a qualified referee and electronic timing is utilised.

Attachment E

2023 World Winter University Games Championship Australian Team Selection Criteria

12 to 22 January 2023 – Lake Placid, USA

All AIR registered athletes who have met the selection criteria in this Selection Policy may apply to be considered for selection to the 2023 World Winter University Games Australian Team.

To be eligible for the 2023 World Winter University Games Australian Team, athletes must be currently enrolled in an Australian University or have graduated within the past 2 years.

AIR reserves the right to not send a team to this event due to COVID-19 concerns, travel restrictions and/or costs associated with COVID-19 compliance, health and safety.

To be considered for selection into the Team, athletes must:

- Meet the minimum standards outlined in the competition announcement.

Funding Support

AIR will not be providing financial support to athletes going to this competition.

ATTACHMENT F

Australian Ice Racing Time Trials and Qualification Time Submission

GUIDELINES and FORMAT – Short Track

These guidelines are designed to give athletes an opportunity to complete time trials without major logistical constraints, whilst maintaining a high level of integrity to ensure that all times submitted are completed in a similar standard in each location.

Only **time trials** conducted in accordance with these guidelines will be considered for a skater's qualification standard time purposes.

Time trials conducted outside of Australia will be taken into consideration however prior to a time trial being completed, the AIR Board must approve the intended officials and the format for timing. A request to complete an overseas time trial must be requested at least 4 days prior to the time trial taking place.

Video footage of **ALL** time trials will be required to verify any timing and conduct issues and must be made available to the [General Secretary](#) upon request. **The camera must be positioned at either the start or finish line in such a position as to clearly see both the start and finish lines from a side-on view. The skater must be in the video frame at all times.**

All overseas race results will be accepted so long as they meet the required standard of any selection attachment.

The goal of time trials should be to attempt to meet Qualification Time Standards required for admission into an AIR Squad or Team, including those squads as set out in the AIR Sports Development Program.

Athletes are to submit their completed time trial results in every instance to the [General Secretary](#) (or any other AIR officer as directed) within 7 days of completing their time trial. Failure to comply with this will see the time disregarded. Submission of an unsuccessful time may assist in the Selectors in being able to assess an athlete's progression and display a history of continuous improvement.

The following conditions must be met in ALL time trials where the time is to be used to qualify at a Qualification Standard:

OFFICIAL OVERSIGHT

At least one approved official will supervise the conduct of any time trial to ensure that the integrity of such events is not compromised.

Athletes will be responsible for ensuring the attendance of an approved official at their time trial attempt. Another representative may complete this on behalf of the athlete however the athlete will take absolute responsibility to ensure that the required form is accurately and correctly completed.

Approved officials are one of the following:

- An Elected or Appointed Director of AIR Board.
- A State Member President.
- A qualified ISU or AIR official as per the list at the end of this document.
- Any other person nominated or approved by the AIR Board.

No official will be greater in preference due to the order that they appear above.

The overseeing official will be required to sign the Qualification Attempt Form to indicate that the time trial attempt was completed in accordance with these guidelines.

The overseeing official can take no active role in any other function i.e. timekeeping, starter or athlete. They are to only observe the event to ensure all guidelines are adhered to.

If any official considers that there may be a perceived conflict of interest by their involvement in this process, they should exclude themselves at the earliest opportunity.

If the overseeing official considers that there is any possible conflict of interest by any party involved in the conduct of a trial, they should bring this to the attention of the athlete and the person involved at the earliest opportunity and make a note of the possible issue on the submission form.

No official, starter or timekeeper should be in a close personal relationship or be related in any form to the athlete who is attempting the time trial. Where there is a perceived conflict of interest, the [General Secretary](#) may refer the matter to the AIR Board of Directors for resolution.

TRACK

The time trial must be held on a standard 111.12m track with each corner clearly marked with 7 track markers. The overseeing official will ensure that the track is checked to ensure the markers are correctly placed to ensure a 111.12m track prior to the commencement of any time trial attempt. The track should be checked to ensure that each end is on the same colour dots. The overseeing official should ensure that this is confirmed.

START

The time trial must be commenced from a standing start and must be started by the sound of a gun or whistle. The starter does not need to be an official starter; however, the same starting commands must be used that are used in standard competition. The starter may not perform the role of timekeeper.

TIMING

The preferred method of timing will be electronic timing (Lynx). In the absence of electronic timing, the procedure outlined below must be adopted to obtain a final submission time. All timekeepers must be over the age of 18-years.

An athlete's nominated Coach, as submitted to the [General Secretary](#), must not participate in any official activity during the athlete's time trial.

If 4 handheld timers are used:

The slowest and fastest times are to be disregarded and the remaining two times added together, then divided by 2.

0.15 of a second will be added to resulting time. This will become the submission time for the purposes of Qualification.

If 3 handheld timers are used:

The fastest time is to be disregarded and the remaining two times added together, then divided by 2.

0.2 of a second will be added to the time. This will become the submission time for the purposes of Qualification.

All times and timekeeper details must be recorded in the Qualification Time Record Form (Form 3).

No person shall perform more than one role during the conduct of a time trial.

RACING

Time trials may be conducted in a race format. Each skater time trialling for a time in such a race must have a minimum of three stopwatches recording their time. The same stopwatch should not be used to record two or more skaters in the same race (i.e. utilising the lap time function).

If Lynx electronic timing is utilised, then stopwatch times do not need to be recorded.

If a time trial is conducted in a race format with other athletes, all athletes that took part in the time trial must be recorded on the submitting athlete's Qualification Attempt Form.

Any physical assistance (pushing) by another athlete to the time trialling athlete will be considered as an unfair advantage and the overseeing official must declare the time trial as not having met the required standard.

A supporting athlete may enter the race part way during the race to offer assistance to the skater participating in the time trial, however there must be no interference or touching of the trialling athlete.

TIME SUBMISSION

Every attempt, regardless of the result must be submitted to the [General Secretary](#) with 7 days of completion.

Failure to abide by this may result in future times not being accepted by AIR. The submission of every time attempt is important to gauge the success of this format and to check the progression of AIR athletes.

RATIFICATION

Once a time is submitted that meets the Qualification Standards and the [General Secretary](#) is satisfied that all protocols have been abided by they will notify the athlete that the time standard has been met. This will be done in a written form (email) within 7 days of submission.

Where there is doubt as to any protocol or guideline not having been followed or in doubt, the [General Secretary](#) will refer the matter to the full Board of AIR for ratification. The athlete will be advised if this is to take place and they will also be advised forthwith once a decision has been made.

No correspondence shall be entered into with any party not directly involved in the time trial for the purposes of conducting a review. The AIR Board decision on the validity of any time submission or the conduct of a time trial shall be final and no further correspondence shall be entered into once a decision is handed down.

RECORDING

The [General Secretary](#), or any other so appointed AIR officer as the case may be, will keep a detailed record of all athlete times and these may be recorded in the form that the AIR Board sees fit. These details may also be published on the results page of the AIR website at www.australianiceracing.org

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NEW SOUTH WALES

<u>Referees</u>	Jim Hewish Brett Throssell Andrew Morgan Kyle Francis Astrid Robson Jessica Ryu Youngmin Lee	<u>Starters</u>	Kyle Francis Jessica Ryu Brett Throssell Margaret Blunden
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Competitors Steward Brett Throssell
Margaret Blunden

QUEENSLAND

Starters Jo Russell

Competitors Steward Vicky Del Campo
Kerry Kemsley

VICTORIA

<u>Referees</u>	Clare Taylor Bill Younger	<u>Starters</u>	Clare Taylor Eva Fabian
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WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Referees Sandra Anderson

Form 1

ATHLETE NOMINATION FORM

I [Insert name]

Of [Insert address]

am nominating for the following AIR Selection Trials, Squad or Team (*please tick*):

SHORT TRACK

- World Cup Trials
- Four Continents Trials
- World Championship Trial
- World Junior Championship Trial
- World Cups
- Four Continents Championships
- World Championships
- World Junior Championships

By signing this document, I agree and acknowledge that:

1. I have been provided access to a copy of the Selection Policy, which I have read and understood.
2. I agree to abide by the terms and conditions of the Selection Policy, the AIR Constitution and regulations/by-laws and the AIR Codes of Conduct.
3. If selected I will sign the AIR Team Agreement and will agree to be bound by the terms and conditions of the AIR Team Agreement.
4. By signing this form, I warrant that I am eligible for selection in accordance with the eligibility criteria set out in this Selection Policy.
5. If I am selected to an AIR Squad/Team I understand I may not receive any individual funding from AIR
6. I will advise AIR now, and at all times in the future, of any injury or illness that may affect my selection or impair, inhibit or prevent my performance at the requisite level or fulfilling the terms and conditions of this agreement or this Selection Policy and I agree to abide by all anti-doping policies of AIR, the ISU and Sport Integrity Australia and any other anti-doping agency empowered to monitor the sport of Ice Speed Skating.
7. If I am selected, I will make myself available to meet all requirements of the AIR Squad/Team coach. I will make myself available to train with the selected Australian Team at least 4 weeks prior to the competition or from the selection trial date to the competition date, whichever is the latest.
8. If I am selected to a representative team, I undertake to meet all team-training requirements as set by the Squad/Team coach whilst at any event. I accept that a failure to attend all training sessions may see me removed from future Teams.
9. Should I be successful in gaining a position on an AIR Team or Squad, I accept that I will be liable for meeting all associated costs of attending any of the listed events.

Name..... Date.....

Signature.....

If athlete is under 18 his/her parent or guardian must also sign below

Name..... Date.....

Signature.....



Please email to [General Secretary](#)
Form 2

ATHLETE CONTACT DETAILS

NAME: As appears in Passport			
PARENT's NAME: (if under 18)			
AGE as at the 1 st July 2022			
DOB:			
PASSPORT NO.			
ADDRESS:			
PHONE:			
MOBILE:			
EMAIL ADDRESS: Parent's Email (if under 18) <small>A current email address must be submitted as the main mode of information is likely to be via email</small>			
MAIN TRAINING VENUE:			
CURRENT COACH'S NAME			
CURRENT COACH'S EMAIL			
Best Times at time the of submitting form (relevant season as per policy)	Time	Date	Competition skated (or time trial)
500m Time			
1000m Time			
1500m Time			

Please email to [General Secretary](#)

Amendment Certificate

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