

Quizzing AustraliaNational Team Selection Policy

Preamble

Quizzing Australia Inc. (QA) is recognised by the <u>International Quizzing Association</u> as the peak quizzing body in Australia. QA is the sole selector of representative Australian teams at international quiz events including the <u>Asia-Pacific Quiz Championships</u>, <u>Quiz Olympiad</u>, and <u>International Quiz Championships</u>.

QA's selection policy aims to select suitable individuals and teams to represent Australia and achieve the best optimum results for Australia at international events.

Eligibility

To be eligible to represent Australia, individuals must be Australian Citizens or Permanent Residents. Only those individuals who are eligible to participate in an event can be considered for selection at that event. Eligibility criteria for international events will usually be determined by the event organisers.

Selection Criteria

- 1. Past performance in the following events, in order of consideration:
 - i. The World Quizzing Championship
 - ii. Quiz events run by international quiz bodies
 - iii. Quiz events run by national quiz bodies
 - iv. Other formal quizzes
- 2. Team balance
- 3. Demonstrated ability to work well with teammates
- 4. Fit and proper person to represent Australia

Greater consideration will be given to:

- more recent results over older results
- performances in individual events over performances in team events

Individuals will not be selected in an Australian "A" team without having first competed in the WQC or a QA event as an individual.

Exceptional Circumstances

QA maintains absolute discretion to consider extenuating circumstances such as:

- injury or illness
- travel delays
- bereavement
- any other factor/s reasonably considered by QA to constitute extenuating circumstances.

Selection Panel

QA will appoint a panel to determine selections in accordance with its constitution and goals. Selectors must be suitably qualified and have a good knowledge of the specific requirements for success.

All members of the selection panel will be required to declare any conflict of interest.

Appeal Process

Suitably documented appeals against non-selection must be lodged via email to **Quizzing Australia**.

Grounds

Appeals can only be based on one or more of the following grounds:

- 1. the selection did not follow the procedures or selection criteria laid out in this policy
- 2. there was an error in the information on which the decision was based
- 3. members of the decision-making group were influenced by bias
- 4. the decision reached was grossly unfair or unreasonable

Interest

Only individuals directly affected by a selection decision may appeal.

Time Limits

Appeals must be lodged within thirst (30) days of a selection decision.

Appeal Panel

Appeals will be heard by a panel appointed by QA for that purpose. The Appeal Panel's decision shall be binding and final.

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