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AUSTRALIA**

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1 Definitions

1.1 State

A state is one of the eight states and territories in Australia:

- Australian Capital Territory
- Northern Territory
- New South Wales
- Queensland
- South Australia
- Victoria
- Tasmania
- Western Australia

1.2 State body

A state body is one of the member organisations of Sport Climbing Australia:

- Sport Climbing NSW/ACT Inc.
- Sport Climbing QLD Inc.
- Sport Climbing SA Inc.
- Sport Climbing TAS Inc.
- Sport Climbing VIC Inc.
- Sport Climbing WA Inc.

1.3 State Title

The state title is the competition recognised as such by the state body in that state and Sport Climbing Australia. State Title Events are governed by Sport Climbing Australia regulation and policies.

1.4 State of affiliation

The state of affiliation for each competitor is as declared when signing up for a membership with Sport Climbing Australia.

The state of affiliation cannot be changed during a calendar year.

At a state title, competitors with that state of affiliation are state competitors. Other competitors are interstate competitors

1.5 State Ranking

The state ranking is determined by the results at state titles. Interstate competitors do not count in the state ranking.

1.6 International Competitors

International competitors are non-Australian citizens competitors not currently residing in Australia.

1.7 Categories

Categories are the following categories: Youth D, Youth C, Youth B, Youth A and Junior. Age range is as defined by the IFSC for Junior, Youth A and Youth B. Youth C is the two years preceding Youth B. Youth D is any athlete younger than Youth C



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2 Selection

2.1 COVID 19 clause

Due to the COVID 19 pandemic the following exceptional rules are set:

- The maximum quota for each state may be reviewed in the lead up to the event. Quota will be confirmed **3 weeks prior to the start of the event.**
- State Bodies are required to submit a list of selected athletes (including their contact email) for each category discipline at the latest **4 weeks prior to the start of the event.**
- Athletes must be ranked by the State Body in each category discipline list. In the event the quota varies, only the top athletes in the list will be selected to participate
- Any categories may be cancelled or postponed to a later date. Categories will be confirmed **3 weeks prior to the start of the event.**

Finally we advise that state governments and local government ruling apply and may vary at any point in time. This may lead to cancellation or postponement of the event at the last minute. Sport Climbing Australia will act reasonably and consider state and federal government advice. Sport Climbing Australia will advise all participants of any change as early as practicable.

Sport Climbing Australia will not be liable for any loss or damage due to the postponement or cancellation of the event, change of quotas or cancellation of categories.

2.2 Selection Quota per state

2.2.1 Principle

The selection quota will be made of three components:

- A representation component: to ensure each state is represented
- A performance component: to reflect the performance of the state in the previous year
- Additional quota for host state

2.2.2 Representation component

Each state will be given a quota of five participants.

2.2.3 Performance component

The average number of climbers from one state placing in the top 10 for each discipline, category, gender at last year's National Youth Championship will allow for an extra quota for that state. As there was no National Youth Championships in 2020, National Championships 2019 results are used.

2.2.4 Host state

The state hosting the national title event will have an extra quota of two places.



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2.2.5 Selection Quota (maximum quota pending COVID 19 clause)

For 2021 this translates into the following quotas for each discipline, category, gender.

State	Rep	Perf	Host	Quota
ACT	5	1	0	6
NT	5	0	0	5
NSW	5	2	2	9
QLD	5	2	0	7
SA	5	0	0	5
TAS	5	0	0	5
VIC	5	1	0	6
WA	5	2	0	7
TOTAL				50

2.3 Selection Criteria

2.3.1 Automatic selection

Competitors placing in the top 3 in their state ranking are automatically selected. This will be counted as part of the quota for each state.

Australian Champions from the last National Youth Championships are automatically selected. This will be counted as part of the quota for each state.

If the competitors selected via automatic selection do not wish to participate, the quota will be open to other competitors for selection under 2.3.2. The state body will determine an appropriate deadline for competitors to accept their place.

2.3.2 Other selection

The state bodies will be responsible for selecting athletes outside of the automatic selection scheme in 2.3.1 to fill the quota and may use the most appropriate selection method for their state. In particular this will allow selection for those who did not qualify at their State Title due to being a key part of their state title (e.g. competition organiser or key route setter). Also, where the discipline state title did not run, the state body will select the entire team.

2.3.3 State body responsibility

The state body is the primary point of contact for all competitors affiliated to their state. The state body will coordinate the selection and communication with their competitors. This includes the development of internal selection criteria with the highest level of objectivity. Also, the state body will determine deadlines for application to participate in the National Championships, allowing time to meet the competition registration cutoff.



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2.3.4 State without a state body

A state may not have a current state body if there is no organisation within the state recognised as a member state of Sport Climbing Australia or if the member state in that state is currently suspended. Competitors affiliated to a state without a state body will be required to apply for special consideration.

2.4 International Competitors

2.4.1 New Zealand Citizens and New Caledonia Residents

A maximum quota of 2 per discipline, category, gender is allowed for NZL and 2 per discipline, category, gender is allowed for NCAL. This is as per reciprocal agreement with Oceania Council of Sport Climbing members.

Other International competitors are required to apply for special consideration via email at info@sportclimbingaustralia.org.au.

Please read carefully Covid 19 clause (2.1)

2.5 Special Consideration

Special consideration may apply in exceptional circumstances at the discretion of Sport Climbing Australia. Please email info@sportclimbingaustralia.org.au for details on application.

3 Volunteers

Each state body must provide one volunteer per five athletes they wish to register for the event. Volunteers will be exempt from the spectator fee charged at the venue when applicable.

4 Team Officials

Each state body may register one Captain, one Team Manager and up to two coaches for the event. These officials will attend the technical meetings and are the only ones who are able to register appeals and support the state team at the event.