



Policy For Selection Of Open Climbers
Representing Australia at International Events
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As the International Federation of Sport Climbing's (IFSC) representative body in Australia, Sport Climbing Australia (SCA) provides the means and opportunity for Australian climbers to compete in international events.

In order to receive SCA endorsement, obtain an IFSC international license and be registered in an international event, SCA requires that Open Climbers meet the following criteria.

- The climber must have competed and placed in the top 6 in the Australian Nationals, in the given discipline, preceding the international event.
- A climber not competing in the Australian Nationals, in the given discipline, may be still endorsed by SCA in the following situations:
 - a. The climber was injured and unable to compete in the Australian Nationals, but still played an active role in the event as route-setter, judge, or other volunteer role. The climber would be expected to be present for the entire event. Sport Climbing Australia reserves the right to require evidence from a licensed medical practitioner in this situation.
 - b. The climber was overseas at the time of the Australian Nationals in the given discipline and has competed in at least 50% of the IFSC World Cup competitions in that discipline in the calendar year.
- The climber follows the SCA Climber Responsibility Policy.

In the event of more than the allowed number of Australian climbers wishing to enter an international competition, priority will be given to climbers based on their placing in the preceding Australian Nationals for the discipline.

A selection panel made up of members of the SCA Board will ensure that these criteria are met before endorsing an athlete as an Australian Representative.

This policy will come into effect following the 2010 Australian Nationals in each discipline.