

Selection Policy 2023

National Open Boulder Championships

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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. It must be the state where the competitor resides or climbs the most at the time of renewing the membership.

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.

2 Open A Category

2.1 Selection Quota per state

2.1.1 Principle

The selection quota will be made of four components:

- A representation component: to ensure each state is represented
- A participation component: to reflect the level of participation in the state
- A performance component: to reflect the performance of the state in the previous year
- A combined special quota: to allow each state to have combined participants regardless of the state performances

2.1.2 Representation component

Each state will be given a representation quota of four participants.

2.1.3 Participation component

The number of individual members in a state will allow for an extra quota for that state. Number of members will be based on the previous year's total number of members at the end of the calendar year.

Number of Members	Extra quota
0 to 100	0
100 to 200	1
200 to 300	2
300+	3

2.1.4 Performance component

The number of climbers from one state placing in the top 10 in Open A at last year's open national event will allow for an extra quota for that state in each respective discipline. One extra quota will be offered for each climber placing in the top 10.

For example, if a state has three members in the top 10 in the previous year, they will have three additional participants in their quota



2.1.5 State without a state title

States without a state title are not entitled to the participation component. They are not entitled to the participation component of the quota.

2.1.6 Hosting state

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

2.2 Boulder Selection Quota

Open A Female				Open A Male						
State	Rep	Part	Perf	Host	Quota	Rep	Part	Perf	Host	Quota
ACT	6	0	1		7	6	0	0		6
NT	6	0	0		6	6	0	0		6
NSW	6	3	3	2	14	6	3	5	2	16
QLD	6	3	2		11	6	3	1		10
SA	6	2	1		9	6	2	1		9
VIC	6	2	1		9	6	2	1		9
TAS	6	0	0		6	6	0	0		6
WA	6	2	2		10	6	2	2		10
TOTAL	48	12	10	2	72	48	12	10	2	72

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 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).



2.3.3 State body responsibility

The state body is the primary point of contact for all competitors living in 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.

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 residing in a state without a state body will be required to apply for special consideration.

2.4 New Zealand and New Caledonia competitors

New Zealand and New Caledonia are entitled to 2 quotas each per gender. Athletes must contact their national federation who will be in charge of selecting their team. Registration will be organised by each athlete's National Federation.

2.5 Other International Competitors

International citizens who do not reside in Australia are required to apply for special consideration via email at info@sportclimbingaustralia.org.au.

2.6 Youth B second year competitors in the National Team

Youth B second year competitors who are a member of the National Team must be selected as part of the state quota by their respective state body.

2.7 Special Consideration

Special consideration may apply in exceptional circumstances at the discretion of Sport Climbing Australia.

3 Paraclimbing

There are no selection criteria for this category. Participants will be selected in order of registration up to the maximum quota determined by the event organiser.

4 Open B Category

There are no selection criteria for this category. Participants will be selected in order of registration up to the maximum quota determined by the event organiser.

5 Master Category

There are no selection criteria for this category. Participants will be selected in order of registration up to the maximum quota determined by the event organiser.