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2022 COMMONWEALTH GAMES NOMINATION PROCEDURES

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Oversight: Boxing Canada High Performance Advisory Group

1. INTRODUCTION

This document outlines the qualification and nomination procedures upon which Boxing Canada will determine those athletes from the High-Performance Program (HPP) who will be nominated to the International Boxing Association (IBA) for selection to represent Canada at the 2022 Commonwealth Games as members of the Boxing Canada National Team.

The objective of this nomination process is to identify and nominate athletes that are:

- (1) Consistent with the Boxing Canada Gold Medal Profile (GMP) and Winning Style (WS) parameters, who have displayed competition behaviours and results to achieve top international performances at major events.
- (2) Progressing towards Boxing Canada GMP and WS parameters, who have displayed competition behaviours and results to achieve international performances and trending to achieve World stage performance.

For clarifications or questions relating to this document, please contact Boxing Canada's High-Performance Director (HPD).

2. DECISION MAKING AUTHORITY

- a) The development of the 2022 Commonwealth Games Nomination Procedures is the responsibility of the HPD. The Boxing Canada High Performance Advisory Group (HPAG) will provide oversight in the development of the 2022 Commonwealth Games Nomination Procedures.
- b) The HPD is responsible for the implementation of these procedures. All team nominations made by the HPD will be monitored by the HPAG and ratified by Boxing Canada's Board of Directors to ensure that the process outlined in this document is properly followed and that it is fair and equitable for all candidates

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3. BOXING CANADA IDENTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for consideration for selection at the **2022 Commonwealth Games**, at the time of selection (May 26th, 2022) an athlete must:

- a) Be born between January 1, 1982, and December 31, 2003.
- b) Be a member in good standing with their provincial boxing association (PSO) and Boxing Canada at time of selection and must maintain this status until completion of the Games. Unless otherwise authorized, in advance and in writing, athletes must have paid all outstanding invoices to Boxing Canada at the date of selection.
- c) Be a member of the 2022-2023 HPP which is defined as the National Team;
- d) Have read, signed and returned to Boxing Canada the executed Athlete Agreement.
- e) Have read, signed and returned to Boxing Canada acknowledgment document that he or she has read and understands the 2022 Commonwealth selections procedures.
- f) Have read, signed and returned to Boxing Canada acknowledgment document that he or she has read and understands the 2022 Commonwealth Games nomination procedures.
- g) Have completed all relevant CCES anti-doping requirements.
- h) Have a valid Canadian passport with an expiry of at least 6 months from the conclusion of the 2022 Commonwealth Games (December 10th, 2022).
- i) Meet the International Boxing Association requirements to be eligible to represent Canada at major international events.

4. TEAM SIZE

Boxing Canada will have a team size of six (6) athletes as determined by 2022 Commonwealth Games Canada Athlete Team size policy. These athletes will be selected based on the criteria described in Section 6, with the following clause: there will be at least two athletes in the men's categories and two athletes in the women's categories.

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5. ELIGIBLE WEIGHT CATEGORIES

This selection procedure applies to Elite Men and Women eligible Commonwealth Games weight categories:

Men	Women
51kg	48kg
54kg	50kg
57 kg	57kg
63.5kg	60kg
67kg	70kg
71kg	75kg
75kg	
80kg	
92kg	
92+kg	

Maximum of one (1) athlete per weight category.

6. BOXING CANADA SELECTION CRITERIA

6.1 The criteria below will be used to select a pool of athletes who will be considered for the Commonwealth Games, consistent with the clause of "at least two athletes in the men's categories and two athletes in the women's categories" outlined in Section 4.

Positions into the pool of athletes considered for the 2022 Commonwealth Games will be determined based on a 3-step process and the following order of priority:

Step 1/Decision-Making Priority 1: Selection to the pool based on recent performances in international competition (1 = highest priority)

- 1. Top 5 finish at the 2020 Olympic Games (2021).
- 2. Gold medal at the 2022 AMBC Elite Men & Women Continental Championships with a minimum of one win.
- 3. Silver medal at the 2022 AMBC Elite Men & Women Continental Championships with a minimum of one win.
- 4. Bronze medal at the 2022 AMBC Elite Men & Women Continental Championships with a minimum of one win.

Using the above, should the limit of 6 athletes be reached without a tie, and should there be a minimum of two women and two men athletes, the process will end.

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Step 2/ Decision-Making Priority 2: If there are more than 6 athletes meeting the criteria of Step 1 after applying the order of priority, athletes will be selected based on Boxing Canada's points system for the period April 1^{st} , 2019 and April 2^{nd} , 2022 in international competitions.

https://boxingcanada.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/Boxing-Canada-Points-System-EN.pdf

Using the above, should the limit of 6 athletes be reached without a tie, and should there be a minimum of two women and two men athletes, the process will end.

Step 3/ Decision-Making Priority 3: If the pool of 6 has not be filled after Step 2, or in case of a tie after Step 2, athletes will be selected based on the recent National Team Ranking (March 2022)

Athletes will be selected based on the number of points they obtained at the recent National Team Ranking (March 2022).

Please refer to Appendix 1 for an example of how the criteria outlined in this section will be implemented.

7. INJURY OF A TEAM MEMBER DURING PREPARATION PHASE

Athletes are required to report all performance-limiting injuries or medical operations that occur after their selection. The athletes' condition and status in terms of competitive readiness will be determined by Boxing Canada's Team Physician. An injured athlete who is unable to undergo full training, including regular sparring during the two-week period prior to departure, may be withdrawn from the team.

8. ALTERNATES

Only athletes who meet the standards described in Sections 4 and 6 will be considered as potential alternates. In the event an athlete selected to the pool of 6 becomes unavailable or ineligible to compete at the Commonwealth Games, the next highest ranked athlete eligible, based on the criteria outlined in Section 6, will be named as the replacement.

No alternates will be selected or added to the pool of six (6) after the deadline specified by the Commonwealth Games (June 24th 2022).

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9. TRAINING COMMITMENT AND MANDATORY EVENTS

The HPD will develop a preparation program for the 2022 Commonwealth Games. This program will include the required competitions, camps, testing, and training activities.

Participation to and active involvement in all the activities of the pre-Commonwealth Game program is a condition for attending the event and eligibility to any related funding opportunities. Unless authorized in advance by the HPD, failure or incapability to attend the activities scheduled for the preparation program may result in the removal from the team.

The dates and location for the mandatory events are outlined below **(subject to change)**:

• Event – Pre-competition 2022 Commonwealth Games Training Camp: July 10th to July 24th, 2022 in Belfast, Northern Ireland.

The purpose of this event is to ensure the final preparation of all qualifying Team Members is optimal to perform at the Games.

10.COVID-19

Qualifying Team Members must follow and comply with all Covid-19 protocols prescribed by Boxing Canada, Commonwealth Games Canada and Commonwealth Games Federation. Failure to follow these protocols may result in removal from participation as a Qualifying Team Member in the 2022 Commonwealth Games.

These protocols will be communicated prior to the event.

11. REMOVAL OF A BOXER FROM TEAM

Boxing Canada may, at any time, disqualify any athlete or Qualifying Team Member from being considered for, or participating in, the 2022 Commonwealth Games, if they breach any material obligations under this Policy, or if they:

- I. Breach any material obligation under their individual Athlete Agreement; or
- II. Are found to be in violation of any anti-doping policy or procedure as outlined by Boxing Canada, World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA), and the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport (CCES).

In the event that a Qualifying Team Member is removed from the team after the Commonwealth Games deadline on June $24^{\rm th}$ 2022, no replacement will be selected for that weight category.

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12.FUNDING

The following expenses will be covered through the Qualifying Team Members 2022 program fee contribution: travel, accommodation and meal incurred as part of the pre-Commonwealth Games Camp.

All expenses incurred on site at 2022 Commonwealth Games will be fully covered.

Each athlete will receive a financial statement shortly after the event.

13.APPEALS

Appeals to Boxing Canada's nominations will be subject to the Appeal Policy of Boxing Canada, which is available on Boxing Canada's website (www.boxingcanada.org).

14. TEAM ANNOUNCEMENT

Boxing Canada will contact all Qualifying Team Members and non-qualifying HPP athletes by email, to advise them of the selection decisions. Boxing Canada will then announce the team on its website and through established communication channels.

15. IMPORTANT DATES

In order to adhere to the entry deadlines, set by Commonwealth Games, Boxing Canada has set the following dates for its selection process

April 27th, 2022	Publishing of the Selection Criteria for the 2022
	Commonwealth Games
May 26th, 2022	Boxing Canada Team Selection Announcement for the 2022
	Commonwealth Games
July 10th to July 24th, 2022	Pre-competition 2022 Commonwealth Games – Belfast,
	Northern Ireland.
July 24th, 2022	Team arrival at 2022 Commonwealth Games – Birmingham,
	England.
July 29th, 2022	First day of competition.
August 7th, 2022	Last day of competition.
August 8th, 2022	Team departure from the 2022 Commonwealth Games to
	Canada

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Appendix 1 - Examples - Application of the 2022 Commonwealth Games Selection Criteria

Example 1

Women: Boxer A in top 5 at the Tokyo Olympics. 4 athletes with medals at the AMBC Championships: Boxer A Gold; Boxer B Silver; Boxer C and Boxer D Bronze.

Men: 3 athletes with medals at the AMBC Championships: Boxer E Silver; Boxer F Bronze; Boxer G Bronze.

Application of the criteria: Athlete A qualifies based on her performances at the Olympics. Among the 6 other athletes who won medals at the AMBC Championships, the procedure would be applied as follows to fill the remaining 5 spots, consistent with the "minimum 2 men and minimum 2 women" clause:

Woman Boxer B and man boxer E are selected based on the fact that they won silver medals at the AMBC. There are now 2 women and 1 man in the pool.

The next step of the process would consist in selecting the second male athlete. Given that man athletes F and G each won a bronze medal at the AMBC, this would be done based on the number of points accumulated between 2019 and 2022 in international competitions (including the recent AMBC results). Assuming that Boxer G has more points, he gets selected.

Athletes A, B, E and G are now selected to the pool of 6 and the "minimum 2 men and minimum 2 women" clause is met. The remaining 2 spots will now be filled using the criteria of Step 2 and Step 3, regardless of gender. We go back to the criteria of Step 2 because 3 athletes are tied with bronze medals at the AMBC.

For all remaining athletes (women: athletes C and D; man: athlete F), we now consider the number of points accumulated between 2019 and 2022 in international competitions (including the recent AMBC results), regardless of gender. Assuming athlete D has the most points, and C (woman) and F (man) are tied, D becomes the 5th boxer selected. To determine who will be selected between C and F for the 6th spot, Step 3 of the process must now be used, which implies that the athlete with the most points following the 2022 National Team selection process, regardless of gender, would be selected.

Assuming F has more points, he gets selected and the team nominated for the Commonwealth Games is comprised of Athletes A, B, D, E, F and G.

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Example 2

Woman: Boxer A in top 5 at the Tokyo Olympics.

1 woman athlete with a medal at the AMBC Championships: Boxer A Silver.

Men: 2 athletes with medals at the AMBC Championships: Boxer B Silver; Boxer C Bronze.

Application of the criteria: Athlete A qualifies based on her performances at the Olympics. Boxers B and C are also selected based on their performances at the AMBC.

We now have 1 woman and 2 men athletes selected to the pool after Step 1.

The next step of the process would consist in selecting the second female athlete to meet the "minimum 2 men and minimum 2 women" clause. Given that only one woman athlete won a medal at the AMBC, this would have to be done based on the number of points accumulated between 2019 and 2022 in international competitions (including the recent AMBC results).

Assuming that women Boxers D and E are tied, Step 3 of the process must be used (points following the 2022 National Team selection process).
Assuming that E has more points, she gets selected.

We now have 4 athletes selected to the pool, 2 women and 2 men. The remaining 2 spots will be filled regardless of gender, using Step 2 and Step 3.

Assuming that athlete F (man) has the most points in international competition, and that athlete D (woman) and G (man) have the same number of points, Athlete F gets selected.

Step 3 (points following the 2022 National Team selection process) will then be used to determine who between athlete D (woman) and G (man) will be selected.

Assuming that athlete G has more points, he gets selected, and the team nominated for the Commonwealth Games is comprised of Athletes A, B, C, E, F and G.

Note: Following the 2022 National Team selection process, there is no tie on points amongst all the men and women boxers who were assessed, so an additional tie-breaking mechanism is <u>not</u> required beyond Step 3 in 2022. However, should a similar system be used again in the future, one would be needed in case athletes would have been tied on points in Step 3.