



**Surfing Australia**  
**National Junior Surfing Team Selection Policy**  
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**1.0 Objectives:**

- To select the best athletes and support staff, to represent Australia at the International Surfing Association (ISA) World Junior Surfing Championship.
- To provide a clear criteria for athletes who strive toward being selected to represent their country.

**2.0 National Selection Panel:**

The National selection panel for the Australian Junior Surfing Team will comprise of:

- SA Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
- SA National High Performance Director
- SA Talent Pathway Coach
- State Coaching Directors (representatives from NSW, QLD, WA & VIC)

**3.0 Eligibility for Australian National Team Selection:**

To be eligible for selection in the National Team athletes must:

- Be an Australian citizen with a valid Australian passport
- Be a registered member of a State Association affiliated with Surfing Australia
- Be of the correct age to fulfil the ISA entry requirements for the U/16 girls, U/16 boys, U/18 girls and U/18 boys divisions
- Athlete's ages are taken from the 1st of January of the year of the International competition.
- Comply in all respects with the drugs policy of ISA and the WADA Code
- Not be subject to any suspension or disqualification imposed by Surfing Australia or other surfing authority having jurisdiction over the Athlete or the competition

- Have participated at some point in their respective state's competition pathway (either regional or state rounds)

#### **4.0 The Australian Junior Surfing Team:**

The format of the Australian Junior Surfing Team to compete at the ISA World Junior Surfing Championship:

<b><u>DIVISION</u></b>	<b><u>MEN</u></b>	<b><u>WOMEN</u></b>
U16	4	2
U18	4	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>

Nominations will be called for Team Support Staff and this will be made up of the following:

- 1 x Head Coach
- 1 x Assistant Coach
- 1 x Manager
- Female Chaperone (if neither coach nor manager is female)
- *These roles will not be filled by parents.*

#### **5.0 Selection Criteria:**

##### **5.1 Athletes**

**5.1.1** The Australian Junior Surfing Titles will determine the selection of all positions on the Australian Junior Surfing Team

**5.1.2** Where a selected Australian Team Member declines their selection or is unable to compete as a result of failing the medical screening and fitness test as provided in clause 7.1 below, this Athlete will be replaced with a wildcard selection.

<b>Selection</b>	<b>U18 Boys</b>	<b>U18 Girls</b>
1	Australian Champion	Australian Champion
2	2 <sup>nd</sup> Placegetter	2 <sup>nd</sup> Placegetter
3	3 <sup>rd</sup> Placegetter	
4	4 <sup>th</sup> Placegetter	

<b>Selection</b>	<b>U16 Boys</b>	<b>U16 Girls</b>
1	Australian Champion	Australian Champion
2	2 <sup>nd</sup> Placegetter	2 <sup>nd</sup> Placegetter
3	3 <sup>rd</sup> Placegetter	
4	4 <sup>th</sup> Placegetter	

##### **5.2 Wildcard Selection**

The wildcard selection is at the sole discretion of the National Selection Panel.

#### **6.0 Team Support Staff:**

- 6.1 Selection of Australian Team Coaches is at the discretion of the National High Performance Director after nominations are called ; provided they meet the following accreditation standard:
- Hold a current Surfing Australia Level 2 coaching accreditation.
- 6.2 If neither coach nor manager selected is female, a female chaperone will be taken as part of the team. This role is to be selected by the National High Performance Director.

### **7.0 Injury:**

- 7.1 In the case of a selected Australian Team member incurring injury or incapacity to compete at the highest level in the lead up to the World Junior Surfing Championship the athlete will be required to pass a medical screening and fitness test conducted by Surfing Australia nominated medical staff.
- 7.2 In relation to fitness, the determination of the Surfing Australia nominated medical staff is final

### **8.0 Appeals:**

- Decisions made by the Selection Panel for athletes and team coaches are final, there is no right of appeal.