

Selection Policy 2024

National Championships- Open Boulder



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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 ACT Inc. (ACT SSO)
- Sport Climbing NSW/ACT Inc. (NSW SSO)
- 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 two components:

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

2.1.2 Representation component

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

2.1.3 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

2.1.4 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	Perf	Host	Quota	Rep	Perf	Host	Quota
ACT	5	1		6	5	0		5
NSW	5	3		8	5	4		9
QLD	5	1		6	5	3		8
SA	5	1		6	5	0		5
VIC	5	2		7	5	1		6
TAS	5	2		7	5	0		5
WA	5	0	2	7	5	2	2	9
TOTAL	35	10	2	47	35	10	2	47

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. IFSC 2025 year of birth restriction applicable.

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 without a state title

Selection for states without a state title will be based on the criteria set by the state body of that respective state.

2.3.4 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.

2.3.5 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 Guam competitors

NZ and Guam athletes will be given quota positions subject to continental event selection policy.. 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 Special Consideration

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

3 Paraclimbing

Paraclimbing is not a category at the 2024 Open National Boulder Championships

4 Open B Category

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