



SQUASH
NEW ZEALAND

EXECUTIVE TRAVEL TRANS-TASMAN TEST SERIES TEAM 2019

SELECTION POLICY

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The Squash New Zealand Executive Travel Trans-Tasman Junior Team will compete at the Trans-Tasman Championships held 11th and 12th April 2019 at the Remuera Rackets Club, Auckland, New Zealand.

The Oceania Junior Championships is being held 13th – 16th April 2019 at the Remuera Rackets Club.

This selection policy details the process and criteria by which Squash NZ will nominate players to compete at Trans-Tasman Test Series Championships.

Team Members

A team of 18 players consisting of the following players will be selected:

- 2 x U/13 Girls
- 2 x U/13 Boys
- 2 x U/15 Girls
- 2 x U/15 Boys
- 2 x U/17 Girls
- 2 x U/17 Boys
- 2 x U/19 Boys
- 4 x U/19 Girls (world championship year)*

The age cut-off date is the 12th April 2019 for the Trans-Tasman Test Series. The team will be led by two coaches and two managers.

*The higher number of girls is to provide preparation for the 2019 World Junior Women's Championships Team to allow for increased international exposure and preparation.

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for selection in the Trans-Tasman Team, a player:

1. Must be a member of an affiliated club, and in good standing with their district and Squash NZ.
2. Must be eligible to represent New Zealand in the Championships. This requires that a player be born in New Zealand, or be a citizen of New Zealand, or have resided in New Zealand for at least the three years immediately preceding the Championships; and,
3. Must not have represented another country in the three (3) years preceding the start date of the Championships in a recognised international Squash Team Championship in any age group.



Player Selection Criteria for Trans-Tasman Test Team:

- Grading list
- Performance at the 2019 National Squads
- Results at the 2018 NZ Junior Nationals
- Performances during the 2018 season
- Grading list activity
- 2018 October National junior rankings
- On and off-court behaviour during 2018 that does not contravene NZ Squash Code of Conduct
- Players ability to perform in a team environment
- Players in the Squash NZ National Squad program will have priority based upon developing their potential medal winning capability at major events (if applicable).

Suspension

A player selected for the Team may be deselected if the Squash NZ High Performance Manager and Junior Selectors, at its absolute discretion, considers that the player:

- Due to illness or injury, becomes unable to perform to a standard deemed satisfactory by Squash NZ. Squash NZ may obtain and act upon medical advice for determining whether a player's physical condition warrants deselection for this purpose;
- Demonstrates a lack of training or tournament preparation required to perform to the best of their abilities, this includes non-participation in training camps or selected events
- Breaches or fails to fulfil a requirement of the Anti-Doping or Match-Fixing policies of Squash NZ, WSF or other approved agencies.

Selection

The Junior Selectors and High-Performance Manager select team. The weighting of the criteria will be at the discretion of the selectors. Team will be ratified by the High-Performance Advisory Group and CE. The team will be selected and announced the week starting 5th February 2019.

Athlete Commitments

Once selected to the Squad, and to remain selected, players shall:

- Maintain status as a member of the team in good standing with their district and Squash NZ.
- Demonstrate commitment to the team by maintaining or improving their fitness levels and ensuring that their competitive performances are maintained at a high standard appropriate for competition at the Championships.
- If an injury occurs to a selected player after nomination they will be required to demonstrate an appropriate level of fitness (as determined by Squash NZ) to remain as a selected player on the team.
- Failure to satisfy the above criteria by a player may result in the player being removed from the team entirely.
- Attendance, behaviour and performance of players will be constantly reviewed, and continued selection will be dependent on these factors.

Funding

An exact amount the players will have to contribute will be advised on selection. During the Trans-Tasman Test Series Squash NZ will contribute to:

- Accommodation from the 10th – 13th April 2019;
- Coaching/Manager Fees;
- Uniforms;
- Food (Main meals only).

For further information on cost please contact Squash NZ High-Performance Manager Shelley Kitchen at shelley@squashnz.co.nz.