

**ICE SPEED SKATING NEW ZEALAND
LONG TRACK SPEED SKATING SELECTION POLICY
1 APRIL 2011 TO 31 MARCH 2012**

Introduction

This selection policy criteria applies to all athletes wishing to be considered for selected for World Cups and World Championships.

The Selectors in accordance with the policies and processes approved by the Board, will select skaters for development squads and international representation.

The Selectors are Athol Garth, Matt Fuller, Mike McMillen, Gary Copsey.

The ISSNZ Board will confirm all selections and notify the athletes in writing.

Over-riding Criteria

The objective of the ISSNZ Selection policy is to ensure that the best possible teams and competitors are selected to represent New Zealand.

Selection Criteria

Athletes seeking selection must satisfy the following criteria:

- a) Meet the ISU World Cup Qualifying times.
- b) Sign the Current Athletes Agreement

In the event that there are more skaters contending for positions at international events than ISU entry quotas allow, the Selectors will select skaters based on the following considerations:

- 1) Times skated in competition and time trials. The selectors at their discretion may require the skaters to complete a series of time trials at a time and place deemed appropriate.
- 2) Times skated in the current season will be considered first but times skated in the previous season will also be taken into consideration.
- 3) Competitive record in both National and International competitions

No particular selection criteria will be weighted more or less significantly by reason only of the order in which it appears in the Selection policy.

Over-riding Discretion

ISSNZ selectors will only select those skaters who it considers are worthy of selection to represent New Zealand. The selectors can apply their discretion including considering the following factors about those skaters seeking selection

- a Consistent standards of attitude and behavior beneficial to supporting the objectives of the ISSNZ and other team members
- b the skaters current level of fitness and skill
- c Demonstrated attitude and commitment to work as a team member
- d Current injury or condition that will limit the skaters ability to perform at a consistent level
- e Attendance and performance at National training camps, time trials and competitions

- f Current New Zealand ranking
- g Current International ranking
- h Attendance at other overseas sanctioned Events
- i Any other factor that the Selectors consider relevant in the circumstances

Extenuating Circumstances

The Selectors shall give consideration to extenuating circumstances in making their selection policy arising from:

- a Injury or illness of the athlete
- b Equipment failure
- c Travel delays
- d Bereavement
- e Any other factor that the Selectors consider relevant in the circumstances.

Athletes who are unable to compete in or attend events, time trials, training camps or other required attendances, must advise the ISSNZ Director of Selection of this fact and the reasons before the commencement of the Event. Documentary evidence must be provided.

In the case of injury or illness, skaters must provide a medical certificate.

Notification of Selection

The Selection Committee will name those skaters being considered for selection for World Cups before 30 June 2011.

The skaters selected for World Cups will be notified before 30 September 2011.

The skaters to compete at the Senior World Long Track Championships 2012 will be selected before November 30 2011.

The skaters to compete at the Junior World Long Track Championships 2012 will be selected before October 31 2011.