

## Nomination of archer(s) to participate in Olympic Tournaments

### Proposed selection policy Archery Ireland

#### Introduction

This document outlines the procedure Archery Ireland will use to select athletes for nomination to the Olympic Federation of Ireland for Olympic tournaments (Olympic games, European Games).

Places at the Olympic tournaments for archery are allocated on a country quota basis and NOT necessarily to the athletes that obtain them.

Selection will be based on a selection shoot basis (where time allows) or otherwise on qualifying tournament ranking position.

#### Eligibility

To be eligible for selection all athletes must:

- comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force, including but not limited to, Rule 41 (Nationality of Competitors). Only those athletes who have complied with the Olympic Charter may participate in the Olympic tournaments.
- satisfy the medical requirements according to the EOC/IOC Medical and Anti-Doping Guidelines. To be eligible to participate in the Olympic tournaments, all athletes must comply with doping control process in accordance with the EOC/IOC Medical and Anti-Doping Guidelines and the EOC/IOC Anti-Doping Rules.
- Have achieved the Minimum Qualification Score (MQS) within the qualification window. The MQS will be set by the relevant World Archery authority.
- Satisfy the Archery Ireland nationality criteria
- Be in good standing with Archery Ireland
- Have signed the Archery Ireland athlete agreement

#### Selection

- Selection shoots: Providing nominations are sought with enough time (more than 35 days before final deadline) Archery Ireland will organize a series of three competitions in the relevant category, the winner of this series will be the archer nominated to take the spot. The shoots shall consist of a 72 arrow qualification round followed by head to heads. Ranking will be based upon WA tournament rules. The archer who secured the spot in the qualifying tournament will automatically have a win awarded.
- It is the best of three shoots, if archer only attends 2 then she/he is limiting their chance of getting the spot. If archer who won spots wins one tournament and another archer wins two of the three legs then we go to a shoot off between the two. If different archers including the archer who secured the spot, wins each leg then the

archer who secured the spot would have two wins and go forward etc) E.g. Archer A secures spot at qualifying tournament. Selection shoot series sees 3 different winners Archer A, Archer B and Archer C, Archer A already having a win + Selection shoot win would be chosen. Ex 2: Archer A (has 1 win already) wins one of the 3 selection shoots and Archer B wins other two, then we go to a shoot off between Archer A and B. If there are 3 individual winners (not archer who secured spot) of the selection competitions then the 3 winners and archer with win from qualification tournament go into a shoot off.

- Where nomination final deadline falls within 35 days of the qualifying tournament (at which Ireland obtained a place) then the highest ranked archer from the qualifying tournament will be the archer chosen for nomination.
- Nominations for team positions will follow the same criteria with the relevant rankings i.e. first 3 ranked for single gender team, and first ranked in each gender for mixed team.

### Withdrawals / Removals

An athlete may be withdrawn for the following reasons:

- Due to illness or injury, if in the opinion of the National Executive (in consultation with coaches) becomes unable to perform to the required standard. Medical advice may be taken.
- Breaches or fails to fulfil a requirement of the Anti-Doping Policies of Archery Ireland, Sport Ireland, EOC or other approved agencies.
- For any other reason becomes ineligible based on the above eligibility criteria.

### Replacements

Replacement athletes may be chosen based upon the above selection criteria, i.e. the next highest ranked athlete in selection shoot process or in qualification tournament ranking depending on timeframe as outlined above.

### Appeals

Appeals, to the selection, must be made in writing to the Secretary of Archery Ireland within 48 hours of the date and time of communication to the athlete of the event selection.

The sole ground for an appeal is that the selection policy was not properly followed.

An appeal must be made in writing with appropriate and sufficient supporting documentation and must be accompanied by a deposit of 50.00 euro, payable to Archery Ireland. If the appeal is upheld the deposit will be refunded in full.

Within two working days of receiving the appeal, the Secretary (or an appointed deputy) will appoint a group of three selected people, including one non-archery person ('Appeal Committee') that will investigate the issues of the appeal with all involved parties. No member of the Appeal Committee shall have been involved in the original selection process.



The Secretary will in writing inform all parties about the Appeal Committee's decision to either uphold or reject the appeal.

All decisions issued by the appeals procedure may be appealed exclusively by referral to Sport Dispute Solutions Ireland, within 14 days from receipt of such decision, for final and binding arbitration in accordance with the Sport Dispute Solutions Ireland Arbitration Rules. Each party will bear its own costs throughout the process.

The Secretary will set appropriate deadlines for the process of appeals to minimize disruptions to the competition.