

QLD STATE TEAM SELECTION POLICY

1. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to:

1. Specify the selection criteria and team formation procedures for players to represent Queensland at the Judo Australia (JA) National Championships
2. Elevate the competitiveness of Qld teams and Qld players
3. Provide a reasonable and transparent selection system for players from all regions of Queensland

2. Contents

This document seeks to communicate and explain:

- Minimum Selection Criteria
- Qld State Team Selection Competition Criteria
- Qld State Training Criteria Qld State Team Scheduling, Timing and Nomination
- Nomination Forms and Financial requirements
- Team uniforms
- JA National Championships documents
- Non-selection Appeals Process and Appeal Form
- Administrative Processes
- Selection Flow Charts

3. Policy

The Qld state team will represent QLD at the national championships. The QLD state team will be selected and confirmed by the QLD state team selection panel. Qld Team members will be subject to the selection criteria being met and compliance with the JA Sporting Code, March 2019. The final Qld Team will be confirmed and notified six weeks prior to the day of the national competition. A separate state team training program and selection application will apply to veterans and kyu grade competitors.



4. State Team Selectors:

Judo Queensland is responsible for entering its players in the Judo Australia national championships. The Judo Queensland Board is the ultimate decision-making body for JQ and under this policy it delegates its authority to select the team to the Selectors.

The State Team Selectors are: SEQ Manager, NQ Manager, HPSPD Coach and JD Coach SEQ and NQ Head Coaches.

The Selectors make selection decisions under advice of the SEQ and NQ Head coaches with reference to criteria including the JQ performance tracking system.

The Selectors have the right to exercise discretion and judgment on any selection, and particularly where exceptions to the selection policy or matters not fully covered by the selection policy are applicable in a particular case.

5. Process of Selection for the State Team:

Players who reach the qualification criteria will be invited to nominate for the State Team twice per year in late November/December and following the State Championships in the year of the National Championships.

Players will be invited to accept or decline their selection at these two stated cut-off dates. Pre-Qld State Team Selection and review will be conducted in November or December of the previous year to the following years national championships and after at the conclusion of the Qld Team State Championships prior to the nationals.

This differs from previous years where there was an open call for all nominations.

There will be a separate selection/nomination process and call for nominations for Masters/Veterans and Kyu Grades players after the state titles.

6. Pre-requisite Criteria for Selection

a) Grading:

As per the JA Sporting Code June 2016, the minimum grade to be eligible to nominate for the Queensland State Team and compete at the National Titles (championships) in the calendar year are:

- Junior and Senior Boys and Girls: 4th Kyu - Orange Belt
- Cadets: 3rd Kyu - Green Belt
- Junior: 3rd Kyu - Green belt
- Senior: 3rd Kyu - Green belt
- Master: 3rd Kyu - Green Belt and turning at least 30 in the calendar year.
- Kyu Grades: 3rd Kyu - Green to 1st Kyu Brown Belt
- No Limits: as per mainstream or as described by the Judo Australia No Limits Committee.

b) JQ Membership:

Queensland Judoka must be a current financial membership with JQ and reside in QLD 3 months prior to the day of the National Competition. For the purpose of this criterion, 'residing' means to be registered with a Judo Queensland affiliated club.

c) QLD State Team Selection Competitions:

The QLD State Team will be composed of 4 individuals in each weight division, in each age category and each gender. There will be a competitive selection process to encourage both improved participation and increased performance.

d) Participation in State Team Training Sessions and Camps:

There will be NO compulsory Qld State Training, however this is be subject to change and will be planned by training dates, times, venues, training session plans set by the Head State Coaches and fitness testing, Judoka attendance and commitment to state team training sessions and camps will be considered by selectors. It is player's responsibility to maximise their participation to improve and towards their team selection.

7. Performance criteria for selection

a) **Primary Selections - National Champions:**

Competitors who won a National Championship in Senior Divisions the previous year will be automatically selected in the same weight division. Should the athlete change weight divisions, they will forfeit their automatic selection and must be selected in other ways.

Where there is no National Champion defending their weight class, then the following criteria will be applied to make selections:

b) **Secondary Selections - Senior High-Performance Squad Members**

If there is no National Champion defending their titles, then the remaining automatically selected members will be taken from the Senior HP Squad (using HP national and HP state rankings only. Senior development squad ranking will be selected using JQ Performance tracking system).

These selections in each division will be invited to join the team in **late November** at the end of the competitive season which currently concludes with the Oceania Cup in Perth, providing they have met the following two criteria:

1. Participation in the following JQ Sanctioned Competitions in the calendar year:
 - a. QLD State Championships - achieving Gold, Silver, Bronze medals, or
 - b. QLD International Open (QIO) - achieving Gold, Silver, Bronze, or
 - c. Other outstanding results for example with the Australian Team at international competitions.
2. Participation in three of the 12 JQ Sanctioned Regional Selection Competitions, for the year. Normally there will be 6 in North Queensland and 6 in South Queensland.

Note: State International Opens (other than QIO), JQ Sanctioned Local Competitions, JQ Sanctioned Teams Competitions, and In-house Club Based Competitions are not taken into consideration for QLD State Team Selection other than through the HP selection criteria.

These selection invitations will be made in **late April**, following the Queensland State Titles.

c) Tertiary Selections - JQ Performance Tracking System:

Where any of the four places in the State Team divisions are not filled by primary or secondary selections the vacant positions will be offered to players in order of their rank in the JQ Performance Tracking System based on:

1. Number of national team selections
2. Number of places achieved in State Championships, Queensland Open and National Championships
3. Places achieved at Australian Open events
4. Win ratio at Queensland Regional competition

All vacancies in divisions will be filled by players who occupy the highest position in the JQ Performance Tracking System as determined:

This selection process will continue until 4 players are selected in each division of every category (excluding Masters/Veterans and Kyu Grades who will have a separate selection/nomination process). The selectors are not obliged to fill all 4 positions as selection is ultimately performance-based.

d) Selection Under Special Circumstances:

- A 5th player may be added to any division of any category in the event an exceptional talent presents themselves for selection. This selection will not be made at the expense of any of the four otherwise selected athletes.
- Member of the Australian Judo Team, Representation in International Competition and JA Australian National Camp Attendance the six months prior to selection cut-offs. No earlier than May for those seeking Primary or Secondary Selection or no earlier than October for those seeking Tertiary Selection.
- International overseas-based training, eg National Squad training in Japan or Europe. This training must be the result of selection by the National Team. Participation in a professional Judo League (such as Bundesliga or European Cup circuit) will also be considered for exemption.
- Medical illness or injury – doctor's certificate required, and proof of fitness to train and compete, as well as doctors and or physio's clearance to train and compete.
- Studies - School and University exams, make up training sessions required, approved by a State Coach and confirmed by the club coach.



8. QLD State Team Timing and Nomination

The following time frames are to be adhered to ensure all necessary steps are carried out for nomination of the Qld State Team:

- a) National Title event date to be confirmed by the JA, presently held second weekend of June in the calendar year.
- b) Sanctioned JQ Qld State Team Selection Competitions to be released on the JQ Calendar website in September of the calendar year.
- c) The new Qld State Training schedule, calendar, dates, times and sanctioned training venues to be released on the JQ Calendar website in September of the calendar year.
- d) Qld Judoka State team training form with payment options will be available online from September in the year prior to Nominated National Championship. Payments to be made in full by October in the year prior to Nominated National Championship or arrange Instalments to be paid before March in the year of the Nominated National Championship.
- e) After JQ State championship all Endorsed players are forwarded to online Athlete Information Pack and requested to submit their forms by a date two months prior to the day of the National Championship.
- f) Online uniform purchases are to be completed six weeks prior to the day of National Championship.

Nomination Forms

Qld Team Nominations Forms for selected athletes will be available online on the JQ website.

Nomination Forms Covers –

- Personal information and contact details
- Nominated divisions
- Medical profile
- Photograph
- Athletes Agreement and Waiver
- Travel and uniform details

Approximate Qld State Team Nomination Fees

Athletes preparing for national championship will pay the upfront fee (available in instalments). This fee is NOT REFUNDABLE. The fee will cover state training sessions, administration and one division nomination fee. This fee will not include additional divisions. For example, a Cadet entering Junior and/or Senior divisions will need to pay the additional fees. Likewise, if selected to Senior Men, additional entry into Kyu grades, Kata or Veterans is not included and the athlete will need to pay the additional entry fees.

Please note that not all athletes will be selected and may not benefit from the fees, however the whole paid amount will be distributed towards selected athletes. There will be no refund of fees paid due to drop out from the team.

Casual athletes will pay a fee for state team selected training sessions that will add towards the budget for selected state team, they must pay the full state training session fees.

Qld State Team Uniforms

The Qld Team Management Committee will decide and notify on the mandatory apparel items for the team and purchase costs. These include the Qld State Team track suit, shirt, team bag, judo gi Qld team back patches. There is a new compulsory track suit and apparel from the 2019 team which will be utilised for the next few years.

Financial Obligations

All fees are to be paid in full to the JQ upon acceptance to the State Team. An invoice will be issued from the JQ office, that will confirm the fees due for state training, division entry fee and uniform costs etc.

JA Documentation

JA will supply a template for nominated player's information to be supplied in and to whom. A copy of 2020 is contained in the office soft copy files.

Administrative Procedures

- a) The administration fee to enter the Qld nomination is \$60 and the entry fee to the JA for the Australian Nationals is \$60 per entry. This administration fee covers administrative staff processing all paperwork for the Australian Nationals. Also, it covers a re-imbursement to coaches to help with travel costs. JA will also provide details of when nomination payments are due to be paid.
- b) The JA will be paid for all QLD entries, at once (lump sum) from Qld by a certain date. If the payments are paid by the due date set by the JA a late fee applies to each entry.
- c) The JA will receive an up-dated spread sheet with name of contestant, date of birth, grade and division, and weight division entered into, from the Team Manager or assistant Manager along with a zipped photo file. There is also a time frame on this.

JA will also receive a separate zipped photo file of Coaches and Manager's going to the competition, so they can have lanyards ready for coaches on arrival.

Managers Paperwork for Nationals

Team Managers require access to the complete database of State Team entries, for information concerning medical history and waiver.

The Office also produces a sheet of photographs of players per division for easy reference by the managers. A copy of the team photographs pages is contained in the Office soft files.

Qld State Team Non Selection Appeal Process

- Discuss your proposed appeal with your club coach, together with the state team coaches about meeting the selection criteria prior to submitting an Appeal Form
- Submit an appeal form within 7 days on non-selection notification with JQ State Team Selection Committee for review
- If still not satisfied, you may appeal to the JQ Board of Management for inclusion in the Qld State Team with 14 days of appeal to the JQ State Team Selection Committee notice.



Office Processes

The Office staff will complete the following steps as 'back office' tasks for the Qld State Team:

- a) Athletes Information Pack prepared with a Qld State Team Committee and Management Team and supplied for Qld judoka for completion. Qld Judoka will complete online forms.
- b) Issue invoices for all players (Refer to soft files for template).
- c) Follow up where judoka or clubs do not hold current financial membership with JQ.
- d) Produce the order details for apparel.
- e) Complete the JA Nomination Forms.
- f) Pay JA for nominations
- g) Reconcile any withdrawals, refunds due and process payments.

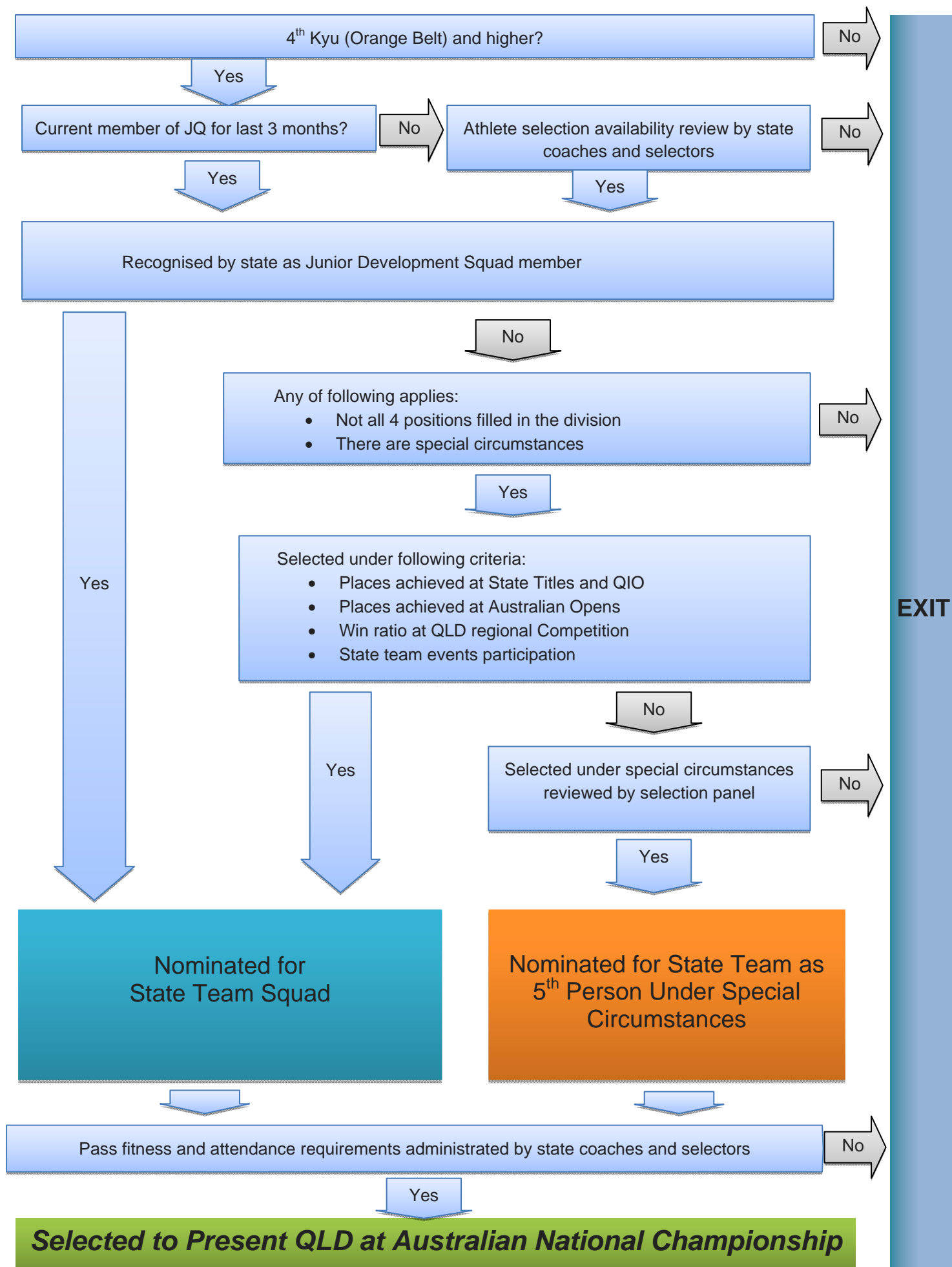
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JQ Junior State Team Selection Flow Chart

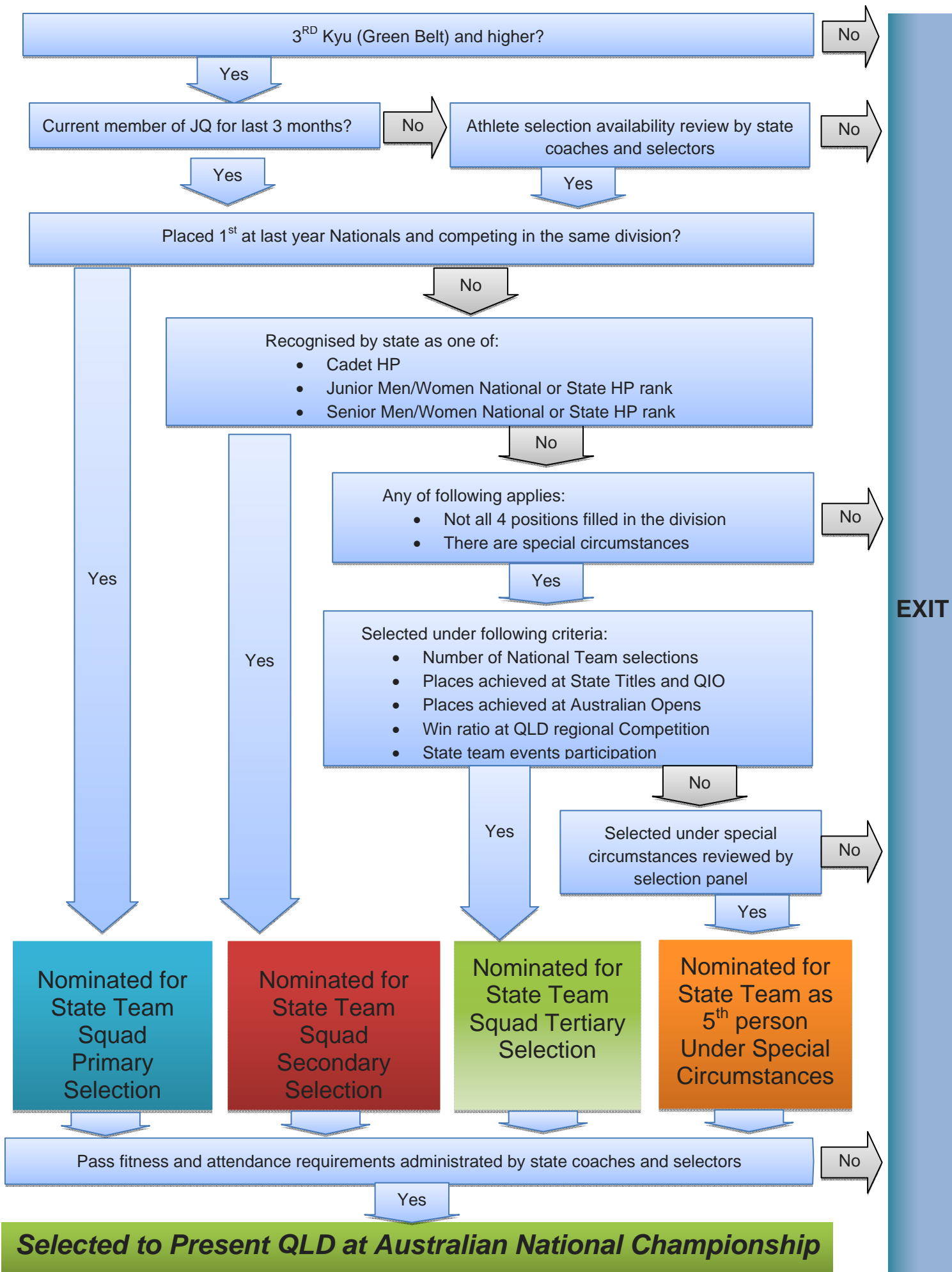
JQ Cadet To Senior State Team Selection Flow Chart

Qld State Team Non Selection Appeal Form

JUNIOR AND SENIOR BOYS AND GIRLS STATE TEAM SQUAD SELECTION PROCESS



CADET, JUNIOR AND SENIOR MEN AND WOMEN STATE TEAM SQUAD SELECTION PROCESS





QLD STATE TEAM NON-SELECTION APPEAL FORM

Date of Appeal/...../.....

Name

JQ Registration Number

Best Contact Phone Number

Email Address

JQ Club

I wish to appeal my non-selection in this year's Qld State Judo Team for the following reasons:-

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Attach and email any supporting documentation Yes / No

Eg Medical Certificate, Work or Study Commitments, Training Diary.

If under the age of 18 Years Parent / Guardian

Print Name.....Phone No.....

Print Club Coaches Name.....Phone No.....

Email this appeal form and all documentation to office@jfaq.com.au and hand copies to your state coach.