

NZLA Selection Criteria for 2010 World Championships

Committee

The selection committee will have the final say in the composition of the New Zealand national team to play in the FIL World Championships in Manchester 2010.

Composition: The committee will be made up of the appointed officers of the New Zealand Lacrosse Association (NZLA) who are not trialling for the national squad – as in President, Secretary and Treasurer. In addition 2 further senior players who are not travelling to Manchester will be included in the committee.

The committee will take recommendations from the coach, assistant coaches and manager in making the final selection.

Eligibility

All players must satisfy the committee of their eligibility to play for New Zealand under the ILF rules and the local New Zealand requirements. See Appendix.

Criteria

Below are the main criteria to be used for selection with their approximate weighting.

1. Playing Skills

60% of the selection criteria will be based on player skills. These will be identified during trial games, league games and video samples.

2. Commitment

20% of the selection criteria will be based on the player's commitment to training, attendance at trials and practices, commitment to fund raising and general.

3. Fitness

20% of the selection criteria will be based on the player's fitness. Specific targets will be set for each player to meet and regular fitness testing will be conducted prior to the squad announcement and travel to Manchester.

Policy

All players must agree to the NZLA and FIL code of conduct and drug policies. Copies of these will be provided to all players for their signature.

APPENDIX

New Zealand Lacrosse Association: **Player Eligibility for World Championship Selection**

In order to be eligible for selection to the New Zealand Lacrosse Team chosen to represent the NZLA at the ILF World Championships an individual must:

- Meet Criteria 1 and Criteria 2, and;
- Be eligible for selection under EITHER Criteria 3 OR Criteria 4.

CRITERIA

1. Age Limitations

The lower age limit for players chosen to represent New Zealand at senior international level in the ILF World Championships shall be 16 years of age as of the day prior to the championship commencement.

2. Nationality Requirements

The prime eligibility criterion is to be a New Zealand passport holder, but the following will also be accepted:

- 2.1 Birth/Naturalisation (born in, or naturalised to New Zealand)
- 2.2 Parents
One or both birth parents, adoptive parents, or step-parents born in New Zealand.
- 2.3 Grandparents
One or more birth/adoptive grandparents born in New Zealand
[NOTE: Step-Grandparents not acceptable]
- 2.4 Marriage to a spouse born in New Zealand, with the qualification that the spouse, and individual must be resident in New Zealand
[NOTE: Death of spouse does not disqualify from qualification via this criteria. The qualification becomes invalid if the individual divorces from the spouse.]
- 2.5 Residence
Minimum two-year period of residential qualification will be accepted.

[NOTE: Any individual eligible to represent New Zealand under criteria 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, or 2.5, that does not themselves hold a New Zealand passport must be included as part of the limitations on Non-Passport holders]

3. Non-Passport Holders – Limitation on Numbers and Selection Criteria

For the ILF World Championship, squad regulations state that 85% of players must be passport holders. Therefore no more than 4 non-passport holders will be eligible for selection for the squad. Further to the requirements of Criteria 2, the individual must also meet one of the following criteria:

- 3.1 If the individual has not previously represented New Zealand in the World Championships they must play under an NZLA affiliated authority for at least one season.
- 3.2 If the individual has previously represented New Zealand in the ILF World Championships they must have played under an NZLA affiliated authority for 2 of the 4 years immediately preceding the next World Championship.
- 3.3 Any player that has previously represented New Zealand, but fails to meet Criteria 3.2 may still make a case for selection to the NZLA to be considered in relation to extenuating circumstances.

[NOTE: Players having previously represented another country at international level must additionally have ILF approval for a change of representation, and have allowed the mandatory three year period to have elapsed since last representing their original country]

4. Passport Holders – Selection Criteria

All individuals seeking to represent New Zealand in the ILF World Championships must, in addition to holding a valid New Zealand Passport, meet one of the following criteria:

- 4.1 The individual must have played under an NZLA affiliated association for at least one season.
- 4.2 Individuals who have previously represented New Zealand must play under an NZLA affiliated association in at least two of the four seasons immediately preceding the World Championships.
- 4.3 Any player that has previously represented New Zealand, but fails to meet Criteria 4.2 may still make a case for selection to the NZLA to be considered in relation to extenuating circumstances.