



Welsh Target Shooting Federation

Ffederasiwn Saethu Targedau Cymru

Commonwealth Games 2010 Nomination Policy

1. The Welsh Target Shooting Federation (WTSEF) is the body responsible for the nomination of representatives from the sport of Target Shooting to the Commonwealth Games Council for Wales (CGCW) for consideration for selection to the Welsh Commonwealth Games team. The WTSEF is a nominating body only, selection to the Commonwealth Games team is the responsibility of the Commonwealth Games Council for Wales.
2. In making its nominations, the WTSEF will have regard to the ability of the nominated team to maximise medal winning potential. All athletes nominated must meet the Commonwealth Games Federation's country eligibility criteria.
3. Each of the four Governing Bodies representing the disciplines of Clay Target, Fullbore Rifle, Smallbore Rifle and Airgun (which includes cartridge pistol) will be invited to nominate the best two athletes, plus one reserve, for each of the events to be offered at the Commonwealth Games. Subject to the athlete meeting the Minimum Consideration Standards in Appendix 1. Governing Bodies should make use of Appendix 2 of this document to help in making their nominations.
4. Nominations put forward to the WTSEF by Associations will be considered and, having regard to the Minimum Consideration Standard (MCS) and any particular person's ability to maximise the team's medal winning potential, the WTSEF will make the final nominations to the Commonwealth Games Council for Wales.
5. Appendix 1 lists the MCS scores that are required to be achieved. The MCS scores are based largely on the eighth place scores from the 2006 Commonwealth Games individual event results. Where an individual has not achieved the MCS, consideration may be given to making a nomination if the individual's selection would enhance the team's medal winning potential.
6. The nomination of each athlete should be accompanied by details of performances for the event since the previous Commonwealth Games, giving evidence of that athlete's ability to perform to medal winning standard at the New Delhi 2010 Games. Priority will be given to medal potential for the 2010 Games.
7. It should be understood by Governing Bodies, and athletes, that achievement of the MCS will not guarantee a nomination to the Commonwealth Games Council for Wales, nor, if such a nomination is made, will it guarantee selection to the final Welsh team.
8. Governing Bodies should publicise their selection procedures (including their internal appeals process against not being nominated to the WTSEF), along with the results of that selection process, to all athletes under consideration.
9. Final nominations to the Commonwealth Games Council for Wales by the Federation will be published as soon as is practical. Any athlete who feels unjustly treated in the outcome of the WTSEF nomination process to the Commonwealth Games Council for Wales should appeal personally in writing to the WTSEF Chairman. The Chairman may convene an appeals panel and may ask that the appellant appears before the panel. The Chairman's decision on the appeal will be final.
10. The final team nominations will be made no later than Friday 14th May 2010, with the final team selection by the Commonwealth Games Council for Wales expected to take place in the week beginning 17th May 2010. The appeals process against non-selection by the CGCW can be found in Appendix 3.
11. It is anticipated that the team chosen to compete at the Commonwealth Shooting Federation Championships (CSF) in New Delhi in February 2010 will comprise the majority of the competitors eventually selected to compete in the 2010 Commonwealth Games.

Appendix 1

Minimum Consideration Standards

<u>Event</u>	<u>MCS</u>	
<u>Clay Target</u>		
Olympic Skeet Men	117 x 125	
Olympic Skeet Women	60 x 75	(not in 2010 and 2014 but included in CSF)
Olympic Trap Men	117 x 125	
Olympic Trap Women	64 x 75	
Double Trap Men	132 x 150	
Double Trap Women	81 x 100	(not in 2010 and 2014 but included in CSF)
<u>Smallbore Rifle</u>		
50m Rifle Prone Men	590 x 600	
50m Rifle Prone Women	588 x 600	
50m Rifle 3 Positions Men	1134 x 1200	
50m Rifle 3 Positions Women	565 x 600	
<u>Airgun</u>		
10m Air Rifle Men	586 x 600	
10m Air Rifle Women	391 x 400	
10m Air Pistol Men	572 x 600	
10m Air Pistol Women	372 x 400	
<u>Cartridge Pistol</u>		
25m Standard Pistol Men	555 x 600	
25m Rapid Fire Pistol Men	560 x 600	
25m Centre Fire Pistol Men	568 x 600	
25m Pistol Women	564 x 600	
50m Pistol Men	541 x 600	
<u>Full Bore Rifle</u>		
Full Bore Rifle	399 x 405	

Please note these consideration scores are liable to update by the Welsh Commonwealth Games selection standards committee.

Appendix 2

1. Association nominations should be forwarded to the WTSF Team Manager by 5pm Sunday 9th May 2010.
2. Associations are to nominate two people, plus one reserve, for each event on the basis that they meet the selection criteria shown. The two people eventually selected would automatically form the pair for the event under the competition rules (there is no guarantee that two people will be selected to compete in each event).
3. The selection aim is to maximise the medal-winning potential of the team. In deciding medal-winning potential, the following factors will be considered:
 - a. Absolute scores, where and when achieved
 - b. Consistency of performance at relevant meetings
 - c. Consistency of achievement of the selection standard
 - d. Fitness
 - e. Coach's reports
4. Competition fitness will be reviewed to assess improvement over time, injury history and its likely impact on any Commonwealth Games competition. Current medications and any reports from the team physiotherapist should be taken into consideration. The overriding consideration is that athletes selected must be fit for the competitions for which they are selected and fit to travel by air to India.
5. Coaches will be asked to report on the following aspects:
 - a. The athlete's attitude to training
 - b. His/her receptiveness to coaching
 - c. Ability
 - d. Potential
 - e. Performance as a team member
 - f. Ability to handle the stress of a high level competition
 - g. Suitability of equipment
 - h. Any other relevant issues
6. Where there are athletes of a similar standard, the following may also be considered:
 - a. The athlete's likely contribution to the team's success as a team member
 - b. Potential for performance at future Commonwealth Games
 - c. Other circumstances likely to affect performance at Commonwealth Games.
7. All scores in relevant events in the period 1st January 2009 to 8th May 2010 will be considered. All performances will be included, but with emphasis being placed on more current form. However, consideration will be given to eliminating scores where the selection committee agrees there has been an equipment malfunction, injury or other exceptional circumstances or in the case where the athlete's coach can confirm in advance (for events after 1st January 2010) that a particular event was being used as a training match.
8. If, due to health or extenuating circumstances, a person has not competed for some time, e.g. 12 months, but may have medal winning potential, Associations may include that person in the nomination process.
9. All athletes nominated may be subject to a medical assessment before final selection. Nominees must agree with their medical advisor and/or physiotherapist that medical information relevant to their selection will be made available to the management team, coach, and Commonwealth Games team management when requested.
10. It is recognised that final nomination will comprise both objective and subjective criteria and any decision made by the selection panel is made in good faith and is final. Final selection will be made by the Commonwealth Games Council for Wales, which shall effectively act as the final selection appeal mechanism (Appendix 3).

Commonwealth Games Selection Process – New Delhi 2010

Nomination and Selection Appeals

Please note that sports are required to **nominate** athletes to the Commonwealth Games Council for Wales in order to be considered by CGCW for **selection** into the Games Team.

Following Selection Events:	Athlete nominations to be considered by the sport and forwarded with supporting evidence to the CGCW Independent Selection Panel. (Athletes to be notified of their nomination but also advised that it is not a guarantee of selection).
1 st Stage Appeal	At this point a Governing Body appeals process should be made available to any athlete that feels they should be included in the list of nominations to CGCW.
CGCW Process	The CGCW Independent Selection Panel will make recommendations to the CGCW Operations Team and Board for formal selection into the Games Team. A decision is taken by the CGCW Board and both the athlete and Governing Body are informed by CGCW of this decision.
2 nd Stage Appeal	At this point the CGCW appeals process will be made available to any athlete that feels they should have gained selection into the Games Team.
CGCW Final Notification	CGCW will write to the athlete and relevant Governing Body informing them of the Appeal Panel decision.

In nominating athletes to CGCW, sports should provide supporting evidence of the athletes ability to achieve the selection guideline as identified in the previously circulated CGCW selection document.