

## Required Standard and Prioritisation of allocated places for Grand Slam and Grand Prix events for the Commonwealth Games 2022 Selection

To allow more athletes to engage in Grand Slam and Grand Prix events during the selection period for the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games, the regular Grand Slam and Grand Prix criteria has been amended.

Commencing 1 August 2021 until 1 May 2022, athletes who meet the required standards below will be eligible to participate in an IJF Grand Slam or Grand Prix event.

### Required Standard

- Finished top 16 at a Senior World Championships; and/or
- Finished top 16 at an IJF World Masters Event; and/or
- World Ranking List Top 50; and/or
- Won fights at a Grand Slam or a Grand Prix event; and/or
- Top seven at the 2019 and/or 2021 Asian-Oceania Championships; and/or
- Finished top seven at a Continental Open outside Oceania; and/or
- Achieved a medal in a European Cup; and/or
- Finished top 7 at the 2018, 2019 or 2021 Junior World Championships.

An athlete may also be eligible, at the absolute discretion of the Technical Director, in special circumstances. In these instances, the level of the athlete will be assessed by the Technical Director and special access to Grand Slam and Grand Prix events may be given. However, there is no obligation for this discretion to be exercised.

### What to do if an athlete does not meet the required standard

There are IJF Continental Open events around the world all year around as well as several European Cup events that athletes can attend to work their way up to the required standard. The Technical Director would welcome an opportunity to discuss with you your future competition plans and assist you in making informed decisions on the number and level of events you should target.

### Prioritisation of allocated places at IJF WRL Events

The current IJF Rules state that a nation can enter unlimited athletes per weight category for a Continental Open and no more than 2 athletes per weight category for a Grand Prix and a Grand Slam.

If the number of eligible athletes exceed the number of places available for a Grand Slam or a Grand Prix, opportunities will be allocated equally between athletes contesting selection for the Commonwealth Games. For example, if there are four athletes eligible to participate in Grand Slam and Grand Prix events the number of events will be equally allocated between the athletes.

It should be noted that even though medal performances at a Grand Slam or Grand Prix event will be ranked highly towards selection to the Commonwealth Games, these events are very high standard, and it is extremely difficult to win a medal. These events should be mostly considered by those who are already at a high international standard as evidenced by their international results.

Advice can be given by the Technical Director to every athlete contesting selection regarding the recommended pathway for their individual circumstances.