
AUSTRALIAN UWH AGE TEAMS 2019 AGE GROUP WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS NOMINEE INFORMATION PACKAGE

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Introduction

This information pack is for players, parents, guardians & supporters considering nominating for the Australian Underwater Hockey Team heading to the Age Group World Championship in Sheffield England next August.

Representing your country at World's is the ultimate achievement for underwater hockey players all around the world. Training, travelling and playing with an Australian team is an incredible experience that bonds people for life. Travelling to a worlds also allows the opportunity expand horizons making friendships and connections with fellow athletes from around the world.

Teams & New Eligibility Guidelines

On the 23rd of December 2018, in a bid to build Underwater Hockey and align with the Global Association of International Sports Federations and the International Olympic Committee, CMAS declared new age divisions for Underwater Hockey at a world level. Accompanying this information pack will be the official declaration (with further explanation) from our Director of the Underwater Hockey Commission, João José.

Following these guidelines, we will be hoping to select a women's team and a men's team in both the new U19 & U24 divisions.

NEW Division Eligibility

1. Both U19 Men's and Women's age categories are 15-18 years inclusive
2. Both U24 Men's and Women's age categories are 19-23 years inclusive
3. The athletic age of a competitor is obtained by subtracting the year of birth from the current year. The competitor will compete from January 1 to December 31 of the year in this category.
4. Age Exceptions: A player whose age place him/her in the Under-19 division may compete in Under-24 only if he or she is 18 years of age (adult) from January 1 to December 31.

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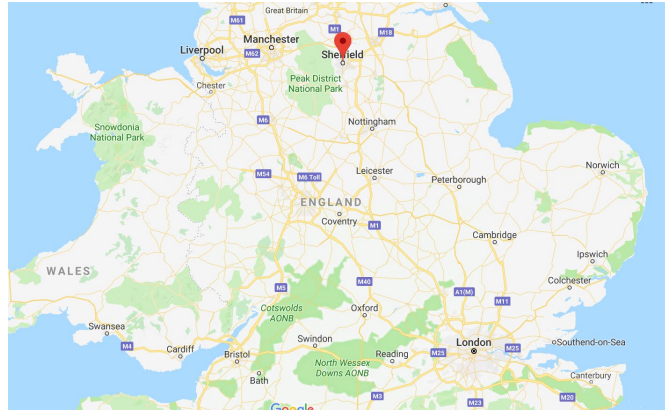
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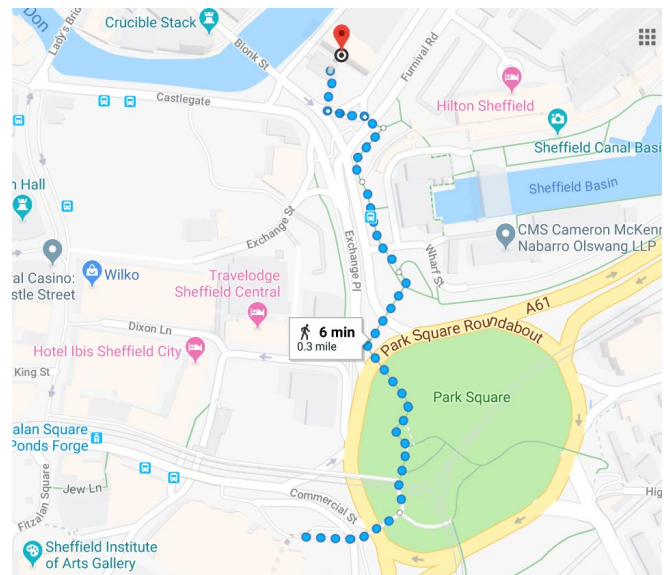
Championship Location

The Championship will be held in Sheffield, England. It's about 2.5 hrs drive north of London.



The pool is Ponds Forge International Sports Centre, teams will be playing at challenging 3m depth. The pool will be 27 degrees. There will be two 25m x 14m courts with in water subbing. The warm up/warm down pool will be in the diving pool.

Teams will be staying a 6minute walk away from the pool at the 'Sheffield Metropolitan'.



Nominations

For a nomination to be considered, managers must receive **ALL** of the below **BEFORE** the **21ST JANUARY 2019**.

Nominations Checklist

- DEPOSIT OF \$500 received
- COPY/PHOTO OF PASSPORT
(Or notification of intention to obtain/renew)
- SIGNED PLAYER CONTRACT
(Form attached to the end of this document)
- ONLINE NOMINATION FORM - <https://goo.gl/forms/g0moelil3hjt4ts1>
(Must be completed by a player that is 18 + years or a parent/guardian)

Please send documents and remittance advice to ageteams@underwaterhockeyaustralia.org.au

If a player is not selected the nomination fee will be returned within a week. If a player is selected but subsequently withdraws from the team the deposit is non-refundable, unless UWHA deems the reason to be acceptable.

Bank account details:

Bank: Westpac - Rosny Bran

Account Name: Australian Underwater Hockey Commission

BSB: 037-014

Account: 241867

Selections

Selections will be held on the **24th January (Day 4)** at the 2019 Nationals in Cairns.

Session times and meet locations will be announce closer to the date.

Nominating players will be required to wear a large 'A' marked on their arm during all Nationals games.

Teams selected will comprise of 12 players plus 2 reserves. If players cannot attend the selections, they may nominate by a postal nomination. HOWEVER players need to be aware that a maximum of two players per team will be selected from postal votes so it greatly increases your chances if you attend selections

Players and reserves selected will be expected to maintain a high level of training as set out by coaches in individual team contracts and may be dropped from teams if this standard is not maintained.

Training Camps

U19 Preliminary Camp 25 - 26 JAN 2019 - CAIRNS

In the interest of taking advantage of having players in the one location, both U19 teams will be holding an initial camp immediately after Nationals on the 25th Jan to 26th January at the Tobruk Memorial Pool (same location as Nationals).

Coaches would like to extend an invitation to U24 players that are interested in attending as competition. Please note, due to the time frame, this is not mandatory for either group.

As travel plans will have already been arranged for those travelling to Cairns, each player will require varying levels of assistance from management. Due to these circumstances fees will not be equalised, players will only be charged for what they use/require. Whilst managers will arrange accommodation/meals/transport/supervision if requested, flights will not be arranged.

We have included questions in the nomination form to assist us in planning, please ensure you include all aspects/details of your (or your child's) travel by the RSVP date of the 10th Jan 2019.

Australian Team Camp (All Teams) - TBA

There will be a training camp leading up to worlds, the date and location will be partly determined by the state with the majority of players, availability of billet houses/families and the availability of a 3m pool at that location.

Australian Team Camp - Early Aug 2019 - England TBA

Teams will fly to Sheffield early August to hold one more training camp (and acclimatise) prior to the Championship.

Accommodation

The team will be accommodated at the Sheffield Metropolitan with full board (all meals). This is within easy walking distance of the pool.

Considering the estimated costs from the last Trans-Tasman and the fact that this one is being held internationally and not in Australia our initial estimate is \$2500-\$3000. This early estimate is for a total, for those who needed everything and includes two training camps and a buffer.

We are endeavouring to get a more accurate estimate break down out ASAP.

Chaperones

All players in U19 teams and those U18 in the U24 teams will be under the care of the team chaperones.

Family

We encourage family members to come along and support players. There will be supporter's T shirts for sale as a fundraiser and parents are welcome to the opening ceremony, games, medal ceremony and final party.

Flights

Flights will be organised by the manager and will be equalised so all players pay the same amount for the competition. Players wishing to travel at different time will be accommodated to the best of the Managers abilities.

Uniforms

Uniform will consist of bathers- light and dark, with Australian Caps.

In an attempt to keep the cost down, whilst still ensuring we look our usual fresh selves, our uniform will consist of the following:

For Opening and Medal Ceremony

- Team jacket (same AS TRANS TASMAN)
 - T-shirt (same AS TRANS TASMAN)
- Black trousers supplied by players (guidelines TBA)
- Black shoes supplied by players (guidelines TBA)

For Around the Pool

- Team jacket (same AS TRANS TASMAN)
 - T-shirt (same AS TRANS TASMAN)
- Black leggings/trackpants or black shorts or the team compression pants

There will be sizing kits available at nationals and all players must submit sizes by then.

Forecasted Cost Breakdown

	U19 M	U19 W	U24 M	U24 W
Entry (Reg per team: \$4000)	\$340.00	\$340.00	\$340.00	\$340.00
Flights	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Transport	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Full board accommodation (\$120pnx13)	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00
Bathers: Men/Women \$80/\$140	\$80.00	\$140.00	\$80.00	\$140.00
Uniform	\$130.00	\$130.00	\$130.00	\$130.00
Caps	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$75.00
Coach	\$450.00	\$450.00	\$450.00	\$450.00
Chaperone	\$190.00	\$190.00		
Physio	\$180.00	\$180.00	\$180.00	\$180.00
Manager	\$190.00	\$190.00	\$190.00	\$190.00
Training camps	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$800.00	\$800.00
Referees	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00
Extra in case	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
TOTAL	\$7,675.00	\$7,735.00	\$7,285.00	\$7,345.00

Optional Extras: Team Towel \$75 - UWH bag \$80

EARLY TOTAL ESTIMATE \$7500 - \$8000

Grants

Each state has its own grants and many country areas have grants. Please check with your state institute of sport, as well as your local council.

The federal government does have the following grant for players aged 14-18 years.

https://www.ausport.gov.au/ais/grants_and_funding/local_sporting_champions

There are also many fundraising options online crowd funding, selling chocolates, street stalls, BBQs, local markets and local service clubs are also useful sources. After selections I will provide each of you with a confirmatory letter which you can use for grants, fundraising and for explaining to your school why you will need some time off.

All successful grants must be reported to team managers as it may affect team grant applications.

If you have any further questions, please just ask.

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AUSTRALIAN UNDERWATER WATER HOCKEY TEAMS PLAYERS AND TEAM MANAGEMENT CONTRACT

Players Full Name: _____

Date of birth: _____

THE UNDERSIGNED AGREES TO THE ITEMS LISTED BELOW:

1. Players must be current FULL members of the 'The Australian Underwater Federation Inc.'
2. All payment for airfares, accommodation, uniforms, administration fees and coach's fees must be paid to the team manager by the due dates, as specified by the team manager. Players (or their parents if the player is under 18), are liable for travel expenses incurred by The Australian Underwater Hockey Commission on their behalf for airfares, transportation and accommodation.
3. Players must return and/or respond to all correspondence on or before the due date, as specified in the correspondence by the team coach or manager.
4. All players are responsible to the Management team, consisting of the Manager and Team Coaches. In addition, junior players are responsible to the Junior Chaperone.
5. All laws of any country a team is visiting must be adhered to.
6. All rules of venues being used by the Australian team and regulations of the host organisation must be adhered to.
7. Players and officials of the management team must not attend training, competition or meetings whilst intoxicated
Please note that the drinking of alcohol by U18 year old will not be tolerated at any stage during the official tour. The drinking of alcohol by players over 18 is not encouraged and supplying alcohol to U18 year old players is forbidden.
8. Players and officials must not behave in such a way as to bring criticism to the touring party.
9. Players and officials must comply with uniform dress code requirements as set by the team management.
10. Players must attempt to maintain themselves in peak mental and physical condition during training and competition.
11. Players must abide by the Australian sports drug code.
12. Any illness or injury must be reported to the team coach and/ or team management as soon as possible.
13. The team manager has the authority to seek medical attention for and on behalf of the players, if the team manager considers it necessary in the circumstances, and the player (or player's parents if the player is under 18) will be responsible for the cost of such treatment.
14. Players must attend all training sessions when and where reasonably required.
15. Players must abide by training programs set by the team coach.
16. Individual sponsorship can only be displayed when permission has been granted by the team management.
17. Permission must be granted to the players by the team management prior to any media contact.
18. If any party breaches this code of conduct, then such breach may lead to either temporary or permanent expulsion from the team, subject to review, to be decided by a committee made up of the team management.
20. Should any player withdraw from the team they (or their parents if the player is under 18), are liable for any non-refundable expenses detailed in point 2.

Player: _____

(Required)

Parent/Guardian: _____

(Only required if player is under 18 years)

Witness: _____

(Required)

Signed: _____

Signed: _____

Signed: _____

Date _____

Date: _____

Date: _____