

KUNG FU WUSHU AUSTRALIA

2020 NATIONAL TAI CHI TEAM APPLICATION PACK

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APPLICATION FOR AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL TAI CHI TEAM SELECTION

1. Registration

- (a) Internet Sign Up System will be adopted. The applicant shall fill out online Application Form via the Internet.
- (b) Website for Internet Registration System:
www.2020nationalteam.eventbrite.com.au
- (c) Closing date for internet registration is as follows:
 - Athletes: **Friday, January 24 2020**
 - Officials: **Friday, January 24 2020**
 - Observers: **Friday, February 21 2020**
- (d) Only applicants who have registered online and also supplied the required documentations by the required dates will be considered.

2. Documentation

- (a) In addition to online registration, all applicants must submit additional documentation as part of the national team application to events@kungfuwushuaustralia.com
- (b) The following documentation must be emailed by the due date:
 - Athletes:
 - Copy of Australian passport; and
 - National Team Selection Athlete Agreement Form
 - Officials
 - Copy of current passport; and
 - National Team Selection Officials Agreement Form
 - Copy of NCAS details (Assistant Coach only)
 - Copy of IWUF and NOAS details (for Judge only)
 - Observers
 - Copy of current passport; and
 - National Team Selection Observers Agreement Form

3. Travel companion

- (a) All applicants under the age of 18 years old **must** be accompanied by a parent / legal guardian or nominated carer when travelling overseas. Siblings can share the same adult carer. The adult carer must apply for and be accepted as an observer.

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NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION CRITERIA

Foreword

This is the selection criteria to select the 2020 – 2021 Australian National Tai Chi Team. A and B Teams will be selected and each team may consist of sixteen athletes (eight men and eight women). A-Team will serve as members of the Australian National Tai Chi Team and the B-Team will serve the as the Reserve Team.

I. Purpose

The purpose is to select the highest level and best combination of Tai Chi athletes and win medals.

II. General Information

The 2020 World Taiji Championships is tentatively scheduled to be held in Italy from September 25 to October 2, 2020.

III. Eligibility Requirements:

Athletes must:

- 1) have submitted all of the following documentations:
 - Application for National Team Selection;
 - Copy of Australian passport; and
 - National Team Selection Athlete Agreement.
- 2) be an Australian citizen with an Australian passport;
- 3) be in good health;
- 4) be a member of KWA or a KWA recognised State Association & be in good standing with KWA.

IV. Championships Events:

- 1) **Optional Routines:** (with degree of difficulty)
 - Taijiquan
 - Taijijian
- 2) **New Standardised Routines:** (without Degree of Difficulty)
 - Yang Style Taijiquan
 - Yang Style Taijijian
 - Chen Style Taijiquan
 - Chen Style Taijijian
- 3) **Compulsory Routines:**
 - 3rd Set IWUF Compulsory Taijiquan (39 Movements) – (with Degree of Difficulty)

- 3rd Set IWUF Compulsory Taijijian (36 Movements) – (with Degree of Difficulty)
- Yang Style Taijiquan (40 Movements)
- Chen Style Taijiquan (56 Movements)
- Wu (Family) Style Taijiquan (45 Movements)
- Wu (Hao) Style Taijiquan (46 Movements)
- Sun Style Taijiquan (73 Movements)
- 42 Movements Taijiquan
- 42 Movements Taijijian
- Simplified 24 Movements Taijiquan (Group A Age Group Only)
- Simplified 32 Movements Taijijian (Group A Age Group Only)

V. Demonstration Events:

1) Compulsory Routines:

- Simplified 24 Movements Taijiquan (Group B and Group C Age Group Only)
- Simplified 32 Movements Taijijian (Group B and Group C Age Group Only)
- 42 Movements Taijiquan
- 42 Movements Taijijian

2) Traditional Routines:

- Yang Style Taijiquan
- Chen Style Taijiquan
- Wu (Family) Style Taijiquan
- Wu (Hao) Style Taijiquan
- Sun Style Taijiquan
- Yang Style Taijijian
- Chen Style Taijijian
- Wu (Family) Style Taijijian
- Wu (Hao) Style Taijijian
- Sun Style Taijijian

VI. Age Group: (based on person's age on 1st January 2020)

1) Championship Events:

- Group A: 14 – 17 years old
- Group B: 18 years and above

2) Demonstration Events:

- Group A: 14 – 17 years old
- Group B: 18 – 39 years old
- Group C: 40 – 65 years old

VII. Other Information:

- Athletes can only register for Championships Events OR Demonstration Events. Not both.
- Athletes can only enter at the most three (3) events.

VIII. Selection Method

A national team athlete applicant who meets the eligibility requirement shall be evaluated by a Selection Panel. In making these assessments, the Selection Panel shall consider the following:

- (a) Previous national team position with top ten international results in the last two years prior to the World Taiji Championships.
- (b) Past competition results from KWA sanctioned national and state events held in the last two years prior to the World Taiji Championships, with a particular emphasis on the score achieved.

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NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION ATHLETE AGREEMENT CHINESE MARTIALS ARTS IS DANGEROUS AND CAN CAUSE SERIOUS INJURIES

- I,.....(full name) do
- a) hereby acknowledge my application to the position of athlete in the Kung Fu Wushu Australia (herein called as "KWA") National Team (herein called as "the team").
 - b) acknowledge that I have read and understood the eligibility criteria and documentation requirements and my application will only be accepted if I meet the eligibility criteria and submit all documentation requirements by the due date;
 - c) agree to have read and to abide by KWA's National Team Selection Policy, National Team Athlete Code of Conduct and the IWUF International Competition Rules and Regulations;
 - d) acknowledge that the KWA National Team Selection Policy and Anti-Doping Policy can be accessed on the official KWA website (www.kungfuwushuaustralia.com) and that I have read and understood both policies and I agree to abide by it;
 - e) agree to cover all costs associated with my participation in the team including but not limited to airfares, accommodation, meals, travel insurance, competition insurance, entry fees, uniform, training fees and any other costs as shall be associated with my role on the team. Estimated cost to be at least \$3,000 for each person per International Event and must be on hand at least two months before the International Event to pay for such expenses. I further understand that I will not be eligible to travel with the team nor compete in events if I have any monies outstanding on the date of departure of the team;
 - f) agree that should I not be able to complete my obligations as an athlete, I will advise the Wushu Secretary-General, Team Head Coach and Team Manager as soon as is practicable, and cover any costs that may be associated with my withdrawal from the team;
 - g) agree that I will not, independently of the KWA, sign sponsorship contracts which are directly associated with my position as an athlete without first advising the KWA and obtaining written permission from the KWA to do so;
 - h) consent to the use of my image in media releases, television broadcasts and other publicity arranged by the KWA in relation to me being a team athlete;
 - i) agree to maintain a level of fitness and competitive readiness and must immediately inform the Team Head Coach of any illness or injury that could reasonably impact on my ability to compete to the maximum of my ability when competing as a national team athlete;
 - j) agree to obtain any insurance required by the KWA; and
 - k) acknowledge the risk of catastrophic injury, paralysis, and even death as well as other damages and losses associated with participating martial arts tournaments. I further agree that KWA., and its sponsors, suppliers, employees, volunteers, agents, athletes, coaches, team managers, officials, and executive members shall not be liable for any loss or damage occurring as a result of my participation in martial arts tournaments.

Signed: Date:

Parent/Legal Guardian's Name (for all persons under 18 years old):

Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature: Date:

An athlete may be removed from the National Team, if in the opinion of the KWA that the KWA National Team Selection Policy has not been observed or this Agreement has been breached.

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NATIONAL TEAM ATHLETE CODE OF CONDUCT

The National Team Athlete Code of Conduct sets out the minimum standard of behaviour which all athletes must abide whilst assembled, travelling or competing as part of the National Team.

1. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of athletes, coaches and team officials.
2. At all times be fair, considerate, honest, and courteous in all dealing with others and observe all local customs and laws.
3. Respect the talent, potential and development of fellow athletes and competitors.
4. Be professional in, and accept responsibility for your actions.
5. Refrain from any form of harassment and behave in a manner that will not cause offence to others.
6. Disclose to a team official any illness or injury that may adversely affect performance.
7. Show concern and caution towards others who may be sick or injured.
8. Behave in a mature, responsible and professional manner that does not bring the athlete, the sport of wushu, the National Team, the KWA or any of its sponsors into disrepute.
9. Behave in a manner which does not result in actions that could become dangerous to me or others.
10. Abide by the set curfew for evenings including bed time/lights out. Spending the night other than your designated room is prohibited at all times.
11. Not have any person in my room after curfew except as assigned by the Team Management.
12. Consumption of alcohol is not allowed from one day prior to travelling to the International Event and until the competition has finished.
13. Consumption or possession of tobacco products, illegal drugs or other intoxicants is prohibited at all times.
14. Operate within the rules of the sport of wushu.
15. Follow all directions at all times given by any team official and competition officials and to follow procedures established.
16. Abide by the rules and respect the decision of the KWA, team officials and competition officials, making all appeals through the formal process and respecting the final decision.
17. Attend all activities planned on the athletes' behalf including, but not limited to, media events, banquets, photo sessions, or parties.
18. Attend all team meetings and trainings promptly when required and be present at the competition venue at the designated time for all events and all pre-competition ceremonies.
19. Be neatly dressed in team uniforms throughout the competition.
20. At all times maintain an appropriate professional relationship with all athletes, team officials and competition officials.

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SELECTION CRITERIA FOR NATIONAL TEAM OFFICIALS

I. General information

- a) No one person can have more than one official position in the National Team unless there are insufficient officials.
- b) No one person can be both a Team Official and Team Athlete unless there are insufficient officials.
- c) Candidates who occupy any current KWA National Committee position either elected or appointed shall only be considered if there is a lack of alternative candidates.
- d) Candidates shall not occupy any current position of responsibility with the IWUF or that of any other body which hosts the International Event, which may conflict with their abilities to fully carry the duties of a National Team Official unless there are insufficient officials.
- e) There is no right of appeal against any decision made by KWA.

II. Eligibility Criteria

All candidates must:

- a) have submitted all of the following documentations:
 - i. Application for National Team Officials Selection;
 - ii. Copy of current passport; and
 - iii. National Team Selection Officials Agreement.
- b) be in good health;
- c) be a member of a KWA recognised State Association and be in good standing with KWA;

III. Selection Criteria for National Team Assistant Coach

- a) be NCAS accredited or an international coach who has produced IWuF world championships results;
- b) have experience of coaching elite level athletes;
- c) have a relevant tertiary qualification (preferably a high performance coaching qualification) or an equivalent combination of training and experience;
- d) have the ability to supervise, plan, initiating, co-ordinating and conducting of suitable training programs;
- e) have an extensive working knowledge of technical wushu requirements;
- f) have an extensive working knowledge of current rules and regulations of the sport of wushu;
- g) have a high level of communication and interpersonal skills both for dealing with the athletes, coaches, team officials, competition officials and the IWUF officials; and
- h) have proven capacity to relate appropriately with athletes.

IV. Selection Criteria for National Team Manager

- a) have an understanding of the requirements of elite wushu athletes;

- b) have demonstrated a high level organisational, communication and interpersonal skills;
- c) have the ability to manage and coordinate a team of athletes;
- d) have the ability to work in partnership with the National Team Head Coach and National Team Assistant Coach; and
- e) have proven capacity to relate appropriately with athletes.

V. Selection Criteria for Team Medical Officer

- a) have a medical or first aid qualification and
- b) preferably have an extensive knowledge in the field of sports medicine.

VI. Selection Criteria for Wushu Judge

- a) be both an IWUF and NOAS accredited judge; and
- b) have judged at a 2018 or 2019 KWA State or National or Oceania Championships

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- f) agree that should I not be able to complete my obligations as an official due to any illness or injury or personal matters that could reasonably impact on my ability to perform as an official, I will advise the Wushu Secretary-General, Team Head Coach and Team Manager as soon as is practicable, and cover any costs that may be associated with my withdrawal from the team;
- g) consent to the use of my image in media releases, television broadcasts and other publicity arranged by the KWA in relation to me being a team athlete;
- h) agree to maintain a level of fitness and competitive readiness and must immediately inform the Team Head Coach of any illness or injury that could reasonably impact on my ability to compete to the maximum of my ability when competing as a national team athlete;
- i) agree to obtain any insurance required the KWA; and
- j) agree that KWA, and its sponsors, suppliers, employees, volunteers, agents, athletes, coaches, team managers, officials, and executive members shall not be liable for any loss or damage occurring as a result of my participation in martial arts tournaments.

Signed: Date:

An official may be removed from the National Team, if in the opinion of the KWA that the KWA National Team Selection Policy has not been observed or this Agreement has been breached.

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NATIONAL TEAM OFFICIALS CODE OF CONDUCT

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2. At all times be fair, considerate, honest, and courteous in all dealing with others and observe all local customs and laws.
3. Be professional in, and accept responsibility for your actions.
4. Refrain from any form harassment and behave in a manner that will not cause offence to others.
5. Show concern and caution towards others who may be sick or injured and place the safety and welfare of the participants above all else.
6. Behave in a mature, responsible and professional manner that does not bring the official, the sport of wushu, the National Team, the KWA or any of its sponsors into disrepute.
7. Behave in a manner which does not result in actions that could become dangerous to myself or others.
8. Consumption of alcohol should not be excessive and cannot be affected by alcohol during training or competition.
9. Consumption or possession of illegal drugs or other intoxicants is prohibited at all times.
10. Consumption or possession of tobacco products is prohibited during training or at competition environments.
11. Maintain strict impartiality and avoid any situation which may lead to a conflict of interest.
12. Operate within the rules of the sport of wushu.
13. Cooperate with the KWA, team officials and competition officials and to follow procedures established.
14. Abide by the rules and respect the decision of the KWA, team officials and competition officials, making all appeals through the formal process and respecting the final decision.
15. Attend all activities planned on the officials' behalf including, but not limited to, media events, banquets, photo sessions, or parties.
16. Attend all team meetings promptly when required and be present at the competition venue at the designated time for all events and all pre-competition ceremonies.
17. Be neatly dressed in team uniforms throughout the competition.
18. At all times maintain an appropriate professional relationship with all athletes, team officials and competition officials.
19. Avoid unaccompanied and unobserved activities with persons under 18 years of age, wherever possible and
20. Provide chaperones for junior athletes at all times during the competition. Team officials shall accompany the junior athletes to all scheduled functions.

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SELECTION CRITERIA FOR NATIONAL TEAM OBSERVERS

I. Eligibility Criteria

All candidates must:

- a) have submitted all of the following documentations:
 - i. Application for National Team Observer Selection;
 - ii. Copy of current passport; and
 - iii. National Team Selection Observer Agreement.
- b) be in good health;
- c) have no issues with KWA that may include but are not limited to issues that may distract or disrupt the National Team;
- d) be a member of a KWA recognised State Association and be in good standing with KWA; and
- e) have not had a confirmed negative incident reported against the candidate in prior International events.

II. Selection Criteria

- a) have no issues with KWA that may include but are not limited to issues that may distract or disrupt the National Team;
- b) have not had a confirmed negative incident reported against the candidate in prior International events.

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- d) agree that should I not be able to complete my obligations as an observer, I will advise the Wushu Secretary-General, Team Head Coach and Team Manager as soon as is practicable, and cover any costs that may be associated with my withdrawal;
- e) agree to immediately inform the KWA of any illness or injury that could reasonably distract members of the National Team from continuing to perform at a standard on which he or she was selected to the National Team;
- f) consent to the use of my image in media releases, television broadcasts and other publicity arranged by the KWA in relation to me being a team observer;
- g) agree to obtain any insurance required by the KWA; and
- h) agree that the Kung Fu Wushu Australia Limited., and its sponsors, suppliers, employees, volunteers, agents, athletes, coaches, team managers, officials, and executive members shall not be liable for any loss, damage or injuries occurring as a result of being a team observer.

Signed: Date:

Witness Signature: Witness Name:

Parent/Legal Guardian's Name (for all persons under 18 years old):

Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature: Date:

An observer may not accompany the National Team, if in the opinion of the KWA that the KWA National Team Selection Policy has not been observed or this Agreement has been breached.

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NATIONAL TEAM OBSERVER CODE OF CONDUCT

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1. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of athletes, coaches and team officials.
2. At all times be fair, considerate, honest, and courteous in all dealing with others and observe all local customs and laws.
3. Be professional in, and accept responsibility for your actions.
4. Refrain from any form of harassment and behave in a manner that will not cause offence to others.
5. Refrain from any form of criticism or abuse towards the national team members.
6. Show concern and caution towards others who may be sick or injured.
7. Place the safety and welfare of the participants above all else.
8. Behave in a mature, responsible and professional manner that does not bring the observer, the sport of wushu, the National Team, the KWA or any of its sponsors into disrepute.
9. Behave in a manner which does not distract or prevent any athlete from performing at a standard on which the athlete was selected to the team.
10. Behave in a manner which does not distract or prevent any team official from performing their duties.
11. Behave in a manner which does not result in actions that could become dangerous to myself or others.
12. Do not get involved or interfere with team management matters and pre-competition training at any time.
13. Do not act or portray that you hold any form of official position in the national team.
14. Excessive consumption of alcohol that leads to drunken behaviour that brings the Australian team into disrepute is prohibited.
15. Consumption or possession of illegal drugs or other intoxicants is prohibited at all times.
16. Respect the rules of the sport of wushu.
17. Follow all directions given by the KWA, any team official and competition officials at all times.
18. Abide by the rules and respect the decision of the KWA, team officials and competition officials.
19. Be neatly dressed throughout the competition.
20. At all times maintain an appropriate professional relationship with all athletes, team officials and competition officials.