

EVENT BRIEF – 2024 WORLD CUP, CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA

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2024 World Cup

Player Eligibility

To be eligible for selection in an Australian Masters team, a player must:

- Hold an Australian passport or provide proof of 12 months' residency within Australia.
- Be registered and financial in a Member Association.
- Compete in the Championships and/or selection event at which selection of teams will occur.
- Meet the specific tournament eligibility. E.g. gender, age criteria.
- Exemption may only be given to a player who is unable to attend the Championships and/or selection event because they are participating in a Hockey Australia endorsed event.
- Exemption will be considered by HAMC on a case-by-case basis and the decision will be final. There will be no guarantee of selection. HAMC may vary these conditions to complete Australia A, Spirit of Masters or Touring teams.

The Masters World Cups will be held in Cape Town, South Africa from **Saturday 12 – Monday 21 October**.

Teams (up to 18 players including 2 x GKs, to be determined by HAMC) will be selected at the 2023 Masters Championships to be held in Perth. All age divisions playing in Cape Town will be selected, Men & Women 35+ & 40+, Men 65+ to 80+.

Teams to compete at the World Cups will be determined by entries received in each age category and both Australian and Australian A teams may be selected.

All age groups will be selected in anticipation of all divisions competing. Should World Cup entry into any age group become nonviable, age groups may be combined, or an alternative Australian tour may be sourced by HA Masters Committee.

Teams are selected on merit and players must be age eligible which is determined by the age as at 31 December 2024 (eg. to be selected in the Over 45 team players must be turning 45 or older in 2024).

Pre-tournament training in **Cape Town** will be organised for all teams on the days prior to commencement of the tournament and all players and their team officials must be in attendance for all training sessions.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION for consideration when nominating:

The Australian Contingent commitment will be from **Tuesday 8 October until Tuesday 22 October**.

All contingent players and officials are required to **meet at the accommodation in Cape Town by 6pm on Tuesday 8 October 2023**.

All contingent players and officials will be required to meet at the accommodation or other location in Cape Town as designated by Hockey Australia Masters Committee (HAMC) on 8 October 2024. All selected players and appointed officials will be required to stay at the accommodation designated by HAMC.

Travel arrangements to and from the World Cup event are the responsibility of selected players and officials at their own expense and at their own risk. Comprehensive travel insurance is mandatory for all players and appointed officials.

The budget for this event has not been finalised, however the preliminary indications are \$3,600 including player levy and invoice from travel provider. O'Neills uniforms cost if required will be approx \$400-\$500.

Hockey Australia's uniform supplier is O'Neills and players will need to have mandatory playing strip, socks, tracksuit, training singlet, walkout shirt. Additional uniform items may be stipulated and optional items will be available.

One Masters:

Contingent members will have the opportunity for partners/family to be accommodated with the contingent. Additional accommodation and ground transport will be an option to be booked. The team will always take priority and team time will be non negotiable.

Depending on accommodation and transport options available in Cape Town, provision for the team will always be first priority and additional accommodation/transport may be separate from the team.

If you experience difficulties in completing the online registration, please email admin@hamc.org.au with a clear explanation of your area of difficulty. All nominees must retain their receipt generated by the RevSPORT system. If you do not receive a receipt contact admin@hamc.org.au - please check your spam/junk mail first.