



CGF Policy

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1. Introduction

- 1.1 The purpose of this policy is to outline the general principle that no late entries will be accepted for the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games (B2022).
- 1.2 This policy applies to all athletes (including Pilots/Guides/Directors) of CGAs attending B2022.
- 1.3 In line with the Host City Contract for B2022, CGAs must submit their entries containing the names of competitors and the events in which they wish to compete to the B2022 Organising Committee via the B2022 Sport Entries System at least 30 days before the date of the opening of the Games. The B2022 Entry by Name deadline is 29 June 2022.
- 1.4 No late entries will be accepted after the B2022 Entry by Name deadline as at 23:59 (GMT + 1) on 29 June 2022. As a result of the unique and extenuating circumstances caused by COVID-19, the CGF reserves the right to amend the dates in this policy and in their sole and absolute discretion, should it be deemed necessary.
- 1.5 For the avoidance of doubt, where there is an inconsistency between respective IF rules and regulations and this policy, the CGF Late Entries Policy shall prevail.

2. Governance and Management

- 2.1 The implementation of this policy will be the responsibility of the CGF Sports Director (or appointed designate).
- 2.2 Any disputes shall be addressed to a committee comprising the Co-Chairs of the Sports Committee and the Chair of the CGF Governance & Integrity Committee (or their respective designates).
- 2.3 The aim of this process is to return a decision in a timely manner therefore the decision of the ad hoc committee will be final and binding. Each dispute will be considered on its own merits and will not create a precedent.



3. Principles

- 3.1 The principles of this policy are to:
- Ensure the maximum usage of the total number of athlete slots (4,638 for B2022).
 - Ensure a fair and equitable process for all CGAs.
 - Enable the CGF, B2022 Organising Committee and respective International Federation to schedule and plan the respective competitions accordingly.
- 3.2 Submission of entries containing the names of competitors and the events in which they wish to compete to the B2022 Sport Entries System by the Entry by Name deadline will signify compliance with the policy.
- 3.3 Unless there are substantiated extenuating/extraordinary circumstances, a CGA will be deemed to be non-compliant should they fail to comply with the conditions set out in this policy.

4. Process

- 4.1 CGAs will be required to submit their individual entries containing the names of competitors and the events in which they wish to compete to the B2022 Organising Committee via the B2022 Sport Entries System by the Entry by Name deadline as at 23:59 (GMT + 1) on 29 June 2022.
- 4.2 All entries submitted by the Entry by Name deadline as outlined in 4.1 are intended to be binding.

5. Acknowledgement of Extenuating/Extraordinary Circumstances

- 5.1 The CGF acknowledges that there may be extenuating/extraordinary circumstances whereby a CGA is unable to comply with the Entry by Name process as outlined in 4.1 of this policy. In such situations, CGAs will be required to inform the CGF in writing, in the first instance to the CGF Sports Director under 2.1 above by no later than the close of the CGA's scheduled Delegation Registration Meeting (DRM), or two (2) hours prior to the start time of the respective Sports Technical Meeting (discipline specific where required) as published in the final version of the B2022 Sport Handbook(s), whichever occurs first. The late entry submission must detail the relevant extenuating/extraordinary circumstances and provide at the same time supporting evidence of the extenuating/extraordinary circumstances.
- 5.2 The CGF will carefully consider any extenuating/extraordinary circumstances that are notified in accordance with this process and will determine, in its absolute discretion, if the requested late entries can be approved.
- 5.3 Each case submitted to the CGF under this policy will be considered on its own merits.



- 5.4 In order for the CGF to approve a late entry, the following conditions must also be met:
- The CGA must have an athlete slot available for a late entry and/or the athlete is already entered in another sport/discipline/event.
 - The athlete meets the CGF's eligibility regulations in accordance with the CGF Constitution; and have complied with all applicable rules and regulations of the CGF, respective IF and the World Anti-Doping Code as may be modified and applied by the Federation to ensure that the overriding principles of the Commonwealth Games are observed.
 - The athlete meets the qualification criteria, where applicable, as set out in the sport specific Athlete Allocation Systems.
 - The CGA of the athlete had applied successfully for accreditation for the athlete prior to the accreditation application deadline and thus the athlete has been registered by B2022 in the "CGAs Athlete Accreditation Long List".
 - The athlete must have the necessary visa and entry clearances to travel to the United Kingdom.
- 5.5 The approval of late entries in such situations will not automatically grant additional Team Officials. Team Officials may be adjusted in line with the Team Size Calculator at the CGF's absolute discretion.
- 5.6 For the avoidance of doubt no extenuating/extraordinary circumstances applications may be submitted after the close of the CGAs scheduled DRM or any later than two (2) hours prior to the start time of the respective Sports Technical Meeting (discipline specific where required), whichever occurs first.
- Note:** For the avoidance of doubt, after the Entry by Name deadline as outlined in 4.1, the replacement of an athlete may be permitted in accordance with the Late Athlete Replacement policy.