

SASI CYCLING SQUAD SELECTION POLICY – 2007-08

1. The South Australian Sports Institute offers a 3-tiered scholarship program.

- (i) Full Scholarship**
- (ii) Associate Scholarship**
- (iii) Professional Scholarship**

2. Objectives.

- The objectives of the South Australian Sports Institute (SASI) Sportsplan Squad programs are:
- To identify talented athletes with the potential to progress to the National Squad / Team level and to represent Australia at Junior and / or Senior level.
- To develop and support identified athletes in all areas that are required for elite performance
- To prepare athletes adequately and appropriately for future consideration as National Team Athletes
- Increase the number of SA athletes in National Teams

3. Selections

- Selections for SASI Sportsplan Squad programs will be conducted in consultation with State and National Sporting Organisations, and endorsed by the SASI Joint Management Committee (JMC).
- Selections for a Selection Panel will determine SASI Sportsplan Squad programs, appointed by and including the SASI Head Coach.
- Sport specific selection criteria will be developed by the SASI Head Coach and the appointed Selection Panel, and will take into account any national criteria as part of the National High Performance Pathway.
- Scholarships can be offered as full, associate and professional and will, as a principle, cover a 12-month period. Shorter periods may be offered (eg. 1 – 3 month trial). The Selection Panel may conduct reviews and SASI reserve the right to add or delete athlete's to/from a scholarship squad at any time.
- Selections for SASI Sportsplan Cycling Squad will be done September – October
- Commencement of scholarship will be October - November

4. Athlete Obligations.

- All athletes who have been selected in the SASI Sportsplan Squad program must:
- Have the intention to compete and/or be involved in active training (including injury recovery and rehabilitation)
- Abide by the terms and conditions as outlined in the SASI Athlete Agreement or other SASI policies
- Have met the sport specific selection criteria, or selected as a developing potential elite athlete as determined by the appointed Selection Panel

5. Other Considerations.

Achieving the nominated selection criteria does not automatically qualify the athlete for SASI Sportsplan Squad selection. Other factors that may be taken into consideration when determining final selections are:

- Whether the athlete has been charged with and/or convicted of a criminal offence
- Whether the athlete has previously breached their Athlete Agreement or other SASI policies, as outlined in the SASI Athlete Agreement and the SASI Behaviour and Discipline Policy
- Whether the athlete has previously behaved in a manner that has brought or has the capacity to bring SASI into disrepute
- Where it has been clearly demonstrated, based on previous behaviour or information, that the athlete has the capacity to bring SASI into disrepute

- Where the Selection Panel determines that, notwithstanding achievement of the selection criteria, the athlete does not have the potential to progress to Australian representation at Junior and / or Senior level.

6. Queries on Selection.

The Manager, Sportsplan, or SASI Head Coach, are the only officers authorised by SASI to respond to any questions concerning the athletes selected for SASI Sportsplan Squads, in accordance with this Selection policy and the sport specific selection policy
All questions concerning any aspect of selection must be in writing and addressed to the Manager, Sportsplan, or the SASI Head Coach, for consideration by the Selection Panel.

SASI Full Scholarship Selection Criteria - Track

To be eligible for consideration for selection in the SASI Track Cycling Squad a cyclist must have achieved the specified performance criteria within the previous 12 months in competition under Championship conditions.

In conjunction with the specified performance criteria the following areas will be assessed for use in the selection process.

- Skill and tactical deployment relevant to the event.
- Current level of development
- Potential for improvement
- Performance history.
- Attitude/ Application to training and competition

Specified Performance Criteria

Event	Men	Women	U/19 M	U/19 W	U/17 M	U/17 W
Sprint/ Keirin	10.80	12.00	11.15(1 st y) 11.00(2 nd y)	12.25(1 st y) 12.10(2 nd y)	11.75	12.80
Time Trial 1km/500m	1.04.50	36.25	1.07.00(1 st y) 1.06.00(2 nd y)	37.50 (1 st y) 37.00 (2 nd y)	35.25	38.25
Ind. Pursuit 2,3,4km	4.33.00	3.43.00	3.31.00 (1 st y) 3.27.00 (2 nd y)	2.33.00(1 st y) 2.30.00(2 nd y)	2.27.00	2.42.00

Points Score / Madison / Scratch	The cyclist shall have demonstrated tactical skill deployment appropriate to this event, with a critical factor in the ability to initiate chases and bridge gaps. The cyclist shall also have demonstrated the ability to achieve a competitive time in the Ind. Pursuit
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A cyclist who hasn't achieved the specified performance criteria but in the selectors opinions is a developing cyclist with very good potential and/or can be of benefit to the programme can be awarded a SASI Cycling Scholarship.

SASI Full Scholarship Selection Criteria - Road and MTB(XC)

To be eligible for consideration for a SASI Road or MTB Cycling Scholarship the cyclist must have displayed the qualities and performances which show potential to progress to a standard required to become an elite performer and progress to AIS/National Team and represent Australia at the Open level.

The following areas will be assessed for use in the selection process

- Skill and tactical deployment relevant to the event.
- Current level of development.
- Potential for improvement.
- Performance history.
- Attitude/Application to training and competition

SASI - CSC Team O'Grady Associate Scholarship Selection Criteria

Track, Road & MTB (XC)

To be eligible for consideration for selection in the SASI –CSC TOG Development Scholarship, a cyclist must have demonstrated the qualities and performances that show potential to progress to a standard required to become a future full SASI Scholarship athlete within two (2) years. Other considerations include;

- Skill and tactical deployment relevant to the event.
- Current level of development
- Potential for improvement
- Performance history.
- Attitude/ Application to training and competition

NOTE: At the discretion of the SASI Cycling Coach a cyclist can be invited to participate in SASI Squad training and receive benefits of the program including coaching, venue use, for the purpose of;

- An underpinning talent development pathway
- Assisting with SASI training

SASI – CSC Team O'Grady Associate Scholarship Benefits:

Athletes will receive

- Training programs and coaching service to be provided by the SASI Cycling Coach (unless other coaching arrangements are agreed to by the SASI Cycling Coach)
- SASI – CSC TOG Cycling clothing (bib knick's and road shirt etc when available)
- Access to SASI facilities as determined by the SASI coach.
- Assistance with ground transport at selected interstate events.
- A defined pathway.

NOTE: SASI –CSC TOG Associate Athletes will not be eligible for financial support for competition or training.

The use of equipment will be the discretion of the SASI Cycling Coach.

The availability and use of other SASI services, including sports psychology, ACE services etc will be at the discretion of the SASI Cycling Coach.

SASI – CSC Team O’Grady Associate Athlete Obligations:

- Have the intention and or be in active cycle training and or injury rehabilitation.
- Abide by the terms and conditions as outlined in the SASI Athlete Agreement and or other SASI policies.
- Provide the SASI Cycling Coach with details of all competition programs both domestic and international.
- Make themselves available for SASI physiology testing as determined by the SASI Cycling Coach
- Attend educational lectures, meetings as deemed by the SASI Cycling Coach, including Drugs in Sport lectures.
- Wear the provided SASI – CSC TOG cycle clothing as often as practical in training and competition.

SASI – CSC Team O’Grady Associate Athlete Review:

Athletes will be subjected to regular review by the selection Panel.

The review will consider;

- (a) Athlete’s performance.
- (b) Athlete ongoing development.
- (c) Athlete’s attitude and general demeanour.
- (d) Individual’s ability to meet the selection criteria & objectives.

SASI – Professional Scholarship

To be eligible for a SASI Professional Scholarship an athlete must be a member of a UCI registered team. This includes Pro Tour, Continental Pro and Continental teams.

Benefits will be at the discretion of the SASI Head Cycling Coach and may include access to SASI facilities and resources.