



Orienteering ACTAS/National Training Centre (NTC) Squad Selection Criteria 2008

The National Training Centre program for Orienteering Australia is delivered through a partnership with the ACT Academy of Sport. The ACTAS / NTC Orienteering program will be offering a number of scholarships for the 2008 year. In 2008 a total of up to 6 scholarships will be offered. The goal of the ACTAS/NTC orienteering program is to support Australia's best high performance orienteers achieve their full potential as world class orienteers and to provide support to emerging junior orienteers who demonstrate the potential to be future world class orienteers in international elite competition. The squad is not limited to residents of the ACT, however it is noted that athletes based in ACT are likely to receive the most benefit from the squad. ACTAS/NTC squad athletes who reside outside of the ACT are still eligible to receive support through national camps to be held in Canberra and/or other locations.

Selection into the squad will be by invitation only and will be made by the Orienteering Australia High Performance Management (HPM) Committee.

Selection will be based upon, but not limited to, the following criteria:

1. Current member of a national orienteering squad
2. Member of a world championships team in 2007.
3. Potential to achieve an OA benchmark performance at a world orienteering championships (WOC) as determined by the HPM Committee.
4. Fitness levels required to be a benchmark performance elite athlete (or demonstrated potential to attain them) and a commitment to improving those levels.
5. Commitment to a squad-based training program.
6. Commitment to a systematic, holistic training program over the full period of the scholarship.

Selection

The Orienteering Australia High Performance Management Committee will review athletes against the above criteria and determine the group of athletes that they consider best meet the respective criteria. Scholarships for the ACTAS / NTC Orienteering program will then be issued to up to 6 athletes.

All selected athletes will have their place reviewed in the program after a 3 month probationary period with an assessment of their commitment to the program objectives as outlined in points 3, 4 and 5 of the selection criteria.