



Men’s Artistic Gymnastics

2026 National Squad Selection Policy

1. Purpose	<p>1.1 To work collectively to help improve the standard of Men’s Artistic Gymnastics in New Zealand.</p> <p>1.2 To select athletes and groups who have the potential to achieve the Gymnastics New Zealand (“Gymnastics NZ”) performance targets in 2026 and beyond.</p> <p>1.3 To select athletes and groups to represent New Zealand at selected FIG Events in 2026.</p>
2. The Men’s Artistic Gymnastics National Squad	<p>2.1 The 2026 Men’s Artistic Gymnastics National Squad (“National Squad”) refers to the athletes who have been selected to the National Performance or Aspiring Squads. There is no minimum or maximum number of athletes. Only senior international athletes can be selected to the National Performance Squad. Junior and senior International athletes can be invited into the National Aspiring Squad.</p> <p>2.2 Any athlete or group wishing to be part of the National Squad must intend to travel to represent New Zealand on a Gymnastics NZ Tour during the Squad Term.</p>
3. Squad Term	<p>3.1 The 2026 National Squads will be selected for the period of 1 January 2026 until 31 December 2026.</p>

4. Squad Eligibility	<p>4.1 In order for athletes to be eligible for selection they must meet the criteria below:</p> <p>A. Be age eligible-seniors turning 18 years of age or older during the Squad term (Performance Squad + Aspiring Senior athletes). Be age eligible-juniors turning 14 years of age or older during the Squad term (Aspiring Squad)</p> <p>B. Athletes must be New Zealand citizens.</p> <p>C. Athletes must hold a valid New Zealand Passport</p> <p>D. Achieve the performance criteria at a minimum of one key event as outlined below.</p>
5. Key Events	<p>5.1 The following international events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any FIG event from 1 January 2025 until 31 December 2025. <p>5.2 The following domestic events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2025 New Zealand Gymnastics Championships – September - 2025 Other Domestic Events, CSG Classic, Tri-Star Championships or Auckland Championships. <p>5.3 Other international events during the above dates may also be considered by the Technical Committee.</p>
6. Performance Criteria	<p>6.1 Athletes must achieve the following at Key Events:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Scores itemised in Table 1 under either the 1 Apparatus, 2 Apparatus, 3+ Apparatus or AA categories Squad 360 athletes who competed Under 18 in 2025 need to meet the following scores in 2025 to be added to the National Aspiring Squad. 2025 Senior Squad members may be retained in 2026 based on extenuating circumstances where they were unable to attend any Key events. <p>Table 1</p>

	Performance Squad Scores			Aspiring Squad Scores			
	1 App	2 app	3+ app	1 App	2 app	3+ app	
	FX	12.7	12.4	12.2	12.1	11.8	11.6
	PH	12.7	12.4	12.2	12.1	11.8	11.6
	SR	12.7	12.4	12.2	12.1	11.8	11.6
	VT	13.4	13.2	13	12.8	12.6	12.4
	PB	12.7	12.4	12.2	12.1	11.8	11.6
	HB	12.7	12.4	12.2	12.1	11.8	11.6
	AA	74			71		
	6.2 Athletes who reach the required score at selected competitions during the Squad Term can also be added to the Squad.						
7. Extenuating Circumstances	7.1 For the purpose of this Selection Criteria, “extenuating circumstances” means an inability of the athlete to compete in and/or attend events (including the key events), or other required attendances arising from: a) injury or illness of the athlete; b) equipment failure; c) travel delays; d) bereavement; and/or e) other such circumstances as the Selectors reasonably consider constitute extenuating circumstances.						
8. Selectors	8.1 The Selectors for the National Squad will be: • Members of the Technical Committee (notwithstanding declared conflicts of interest) • Gymnastics New Zealand Head of Gymnastics						