

SCSA State Team Selection Policy

Section 1 - Definitions

- (a) Category: A class of entry based on age and/or skill level. Categories include and are divided into both/all genders.
- (b) Gender: Words importing any gender include all other genders;
- (c) Disciplines:
 - (i) Lead: Climbs ('Routes') are climbed with the competitor clipping into protection points as they climb (on "Lead"). Progression along the line of the route determines a competitor's ranking.
 - (ii) Bouldering: Short climbs ('Boulders') are attempted without ropes but with landing mats for protection. The number of boulders completed determines a competitor's ranking.
 - (iii) Speed: Climbs are attempted with an in-situ rope (on "Top-Rope"). The time to complete the route determines a competitor's ranking.
- (d) Expression of interest (EOI): An Expression of Interest is an opportunity to present yourself in a clear, professional document. It is an opportunity to provide important information and to demonstrate your suitability, interest, availability in relation to the position.
- (e) State: A state is one of the eight states and territories in Australia:
 - (i) Australian Capital Territory
 - (ii) Northern Territory
 - (iii) New South Wales
 - (iv) Queensland
 - (v) South Australia
 - (vi) Victoria
 - (vii) Tasmania
 - (viii) Western Australia

- (f) Sport Climbing South Australia (SCSA): A state body is a member organisation of Sport Climbing Australia.
- (g) State Title: The state title is the competition recognised as such by the state body in that state and Sport Climbing Australia. State Title Events are governed by Sport Climbing Australia regulation and policies.
- (h) Youth: Youth categories are the following categories: Youth D, Youth C, Youth B, Youth A and Junior. Age range is as defined by the IFSC for Junior, Youth A and Youth B. Youth C is the two years preceding Youth B. Youth D is any athlete younger than Youth C
- (i) State Team: The athletes representing South Australia who are competing at Australian Nationals.
- (j) Development program: A program for SA State Youth athletes to develop competition specific skills, build confidence and familiarise with their peers.

Section 2 - SA State Team selection criteria

- (a) The top six positions in each discipline, category, gender held at the last state competition are offered a position on the state team unless:
 - (i) There has been no state level competition within the last year. In this case, positions will be decided as per section 2 (b),
 - (ii) There are less than 6 athletes present in the category.
- (b) Additional positions will be determined by SCSA board vote following an expression of interest.
 - (i) Expressions of interest will be considered on the following criteria:
 - (1) Rock climbing skill and experience
 - (2) Teamwork
 - (3) Availability
 - (4) Sportsmanship
 - (5) Previous results from:

- a) Official state competitions,
- b) Athlete tryouts,
- c) Mock competitions,
- d) Local events.

(6) Youth State Team Development Program participation (If applicable).

(c) A position will be offered to the next ranked athlete if:

- (i) The athlete rejects the offer.
- (ii) The athlete does not respond within one month of the offer.

(d) Youth State Team members will be offered a place in the Youth State Team Development Program.