



Out of Age Division Policy

Amendment 1

Each team is allowed a maximum of 2 Out of Age Athletes (OAA) at all NZCU Events. The athletes who are OAA must follow the below criteria:

NZCU must be notified no later than 31st March Annually, by any and all gyms that have any teams with OAA's in their roster.

OAA's cannot crossover to another team; i.e. a 21 year old who competes on a Senior team as an OAA cannot compete on a Senior+ / Open team as a legal aged athlete. i.e. a 12 year old who competes on IASF Open team as an OAA, cannot also compete on a Junior/Senior/Senior+ team as a legal aged athlete. If this scenario occurs a 1 point penalty per athlete per day of competition will be applied to their score. The team that receives the penalty on their scoresheet is determined by the following:

- a) The gym must nominate the team as their legal OAA for the entire year by 31st March (as per above).
- b) When registering for competitions the gym must make the EP aware of the second Team the OAA is competing in. This is the team that will have the penalty applied to their score.

OAA must only compete in the level specified to NZCU by the gym owner no later than March each year unless;

- a) the OAA became a member of the gym after 1st April. This must be communicated to the NZCU within 2 weeks of the athletes starting, to enable the NZCU to update the register.
 - b) the team registered suffered an injury and the gym opted to use OAA who is not currently attending the same event with another team. A MEDICAL CERTIFICATE MAY BE REQUIRED
- In both A and B, the teams are still not allowed to exceed 2 OAA athletes regardless.

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Below are the ages OAA must follow:

The OAA must be within 2 years of either side of age grid by **31st December 2020**.

Tiny: Must not be older than 8 years of age.

Mini: Must not be older than 10 years of age.

Youth: Must turn 3 years or older & must not be older than 14 years of age.

Junior: Must turn 6 years of age & must not be older than 16 years of age.

Senior: Must turn 8 years old & must not be older than 20 years of age.

Open: Must turn 10 years or older.

Penalties: If any team has an athlete/athletes that are in breach of this policy, it is the gym owner's responsibility to contact the EP and let them know. For each instance a 1 point deduction per day will apply. If a team does not declare this, they may risk disqualification.

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