

Taekwondo Australia

National Sport Sparring Plan 2010



Program goals

The desired outcome of the National Program (NP) is to attract, identify, educate, foster, and provide athletes, coaches, and officials a transparent guide on which high level elite goals and performances can be realistically set and supported.

The ultimate claim to success for the program would be the cultivation of medal performing at every Olympics.

Key areas

1. Program structure & management
2. Athlete, Coach & Officials pathways
3. High performance clubs program
4. State sport programs/teams
5. State high performance program/teams (T-League)
6. National High Performance program/teams (Nat team)
7. Olympic program

1 - Program structure

National Sports Committee

- National Sport Manager
- State Sport Managers (5)
- High Performance Coaches (5)

Ad hoc members:

Referee representative, Athlete Commission representative,

Event Management Committee representative and

TA Board members Sport Portfolio

National Sports Committee

Athletes Commission reps x 2 (Ad hoc)

TA Board member Sport Portfolio (2)

National Sport Manager (1)

Directs the program and coordinates the state managers

State Sport Managers (5)
(WA, SA, Qld, NSW/ACT, Vic/Tas)
Manage the state program in coordination with states and national objectives

State Coaches & HPC Coaches
Provide annual strategic objectives at annual sports conference and coach athletes to elite level

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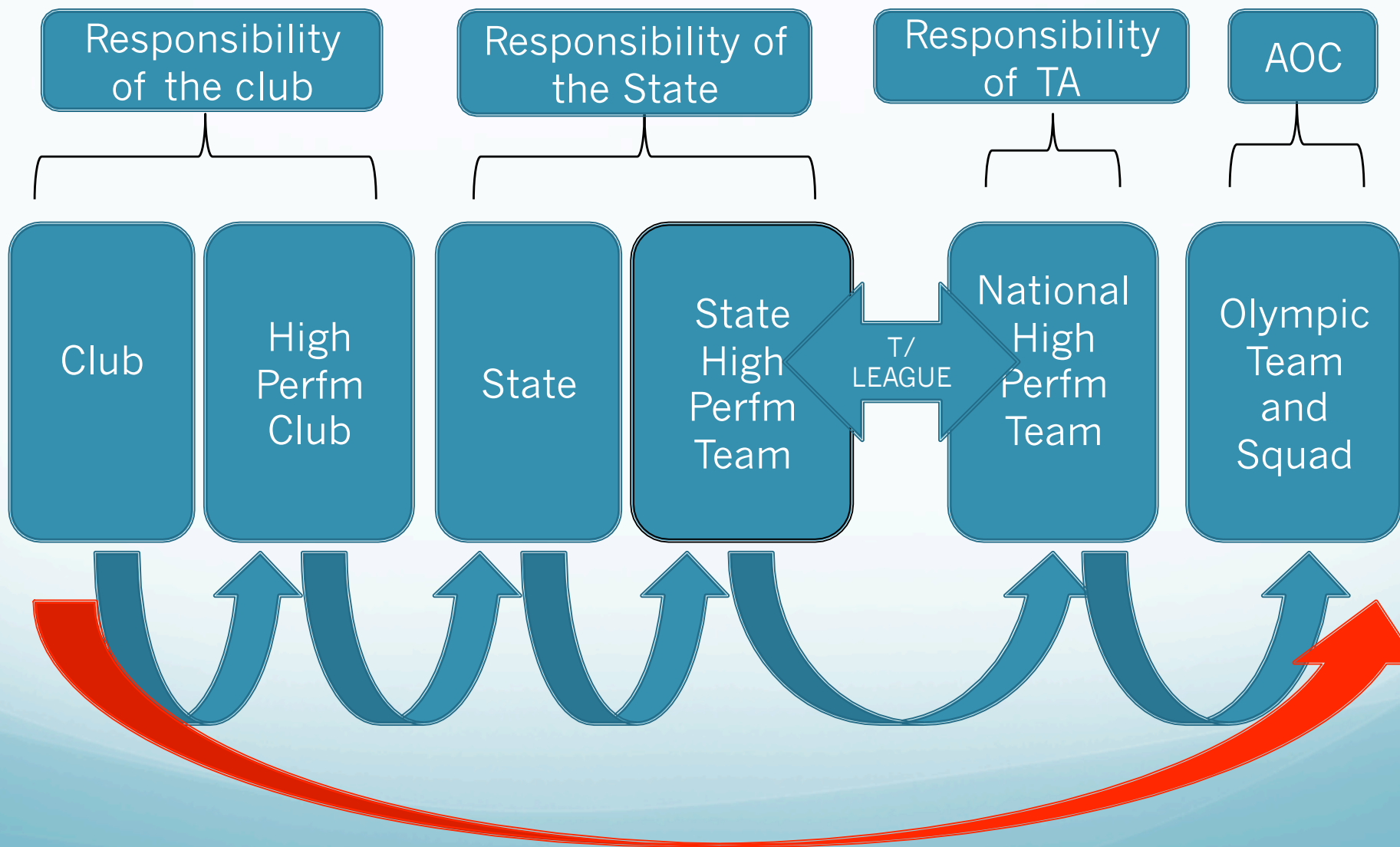
2 - Athlete, coach & officials pathways

It has been identified that athletes and coaches progress through 6 levels of development from club level to Olympic Team. The tiered structure provides a transparent approach that will allow all stakeholders a clear understanding of their obligations and the support on offer at each of the key tier levels.

- Tier 1 Club team or HPC team
- Tier 2 State team
- Tier 3 State High Performance Squad (T-League team)
- Tier 4 National High Performance Squad
- Tier 5 Olympic Shadow Squad
- Tier 6 Olympic team

Athlete, Coach and Officials Pathway

The yellow brick road



3 - High performance club

- The high performance clubs program aims to streamline the pathway from beginner through to elite performance and in doing so will utilise the resources and structures that already exist at a number of levels.
- The program will formalise and build on what is already a strong development platform for the sport. Taekwondo Australia sees the program as a key vehicle to producing elite athletes now and into the future.
- High performance clubs meeting the *performance based criteria* will be able to apply for HPC accreditation
- High performance clubs will link with state and national programs to bring Australia's a talent together

4 – State Sport Team

1. Overview

The future performance of our Athletes rest in the ranks of the developing Junior, Intermediate and emerging Senior players of Taekwondo Australia.

The NP provides a clear developmental path for athletes, coaches and officials that aspire to be among our elite.

2. Objective

To develop a broad pool of athletes that are capable of consistently performing at medal winning levels at national benchmark events.

5 – State High Performance Squad

1. Overview

Identified National level Athletes will be selected onto the State High Performance Squad.

From this squad athletes will be selected to fill places on the T-League team

2. Objective

To develop a broad pool of athletes that are capable of consistently performing at medal winning levels at international benchmark events.

6 – National High Performance Squad

1. Overview

TA Athletes meeting the **performance based criteria** will be selected onto the National High Performance Squad.

Athletes on national team (benchmark events) or targeted events will be supported by TA financially

These athletes will be invited to High performance camps and activities

2. Objective

To support athletes compete internationally and improve the chances of medal performances at International benchmark events.

7- National Squad and Olympic Team

- **1. Overview**

- The ultimate aim of TA underpinning programs is to produce athletes on the Olympic Shadow Squad and Olympic team
- Given the current situation TA can prepare its athletes and provide a transparent system for identify Olympic level athletes but understands it has no control regarding Olympic participation.

- **2. Objective**

- To produce medal performances at Olympic level