

# UNISPORT AUSTRALIA (UNISPORT) GUIDELINE Indigenous Nationals – Eligibility of competitors

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#### Introduction

This guideline outlines the UniSport eligibility requirements of competitors for Indigenous Nationals in order to provide clarification for participants and UniSport members. It is the participant's and member's responsibility to ensure that all athletes are eligible to attend and compete in the event.

### 1. Who is eligible?

To be eligible to compete in the Indigenous Nationals event, the competitor must be either:

- a) a currently enrolled student as per the <u>UniSport Eligibility of competitors</u> guideline; or
- b) a currently employed staff member of the university, with a valid universityissued ID card (maximum of two staff members permitted per team).

## 2. Proof of Indigenous identity

In maintaining the integrity of the Indigenous Nationals as an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander event and in keeping with the rules of engagement, confirmation of Aboriginality is required by each competitor participating in the competition.

A form will be provided to team managers when collecting accreditations, who will get each team member to sign before returning to event organisers.

#### 3. Combined teams

UniSport recognises that sometimes universities do not have enough competitors to field a team of minimum numbers with their own staff and students.

In keeping with the spirit of the event, UniSport are willing to permit combined or merged teams to ensure optimum participation and celebration of Indigenous culture across all member universities. These teams are accepted on an application-basis only.

For a combined team to be accepted, both (or all) universities involved must provide a letter of support/acknowledgement to the <u>Registrations Manager</u> advising that their students will be covered by their own university's personal accident insurance whilst representing another institution.

