SCCA Selection Panel - Process and Policy for Senior Men's Team

Selection process:
1. Select a probable list of 40-50 players about a month before a tournament
2. Confirm availability of all probables for the full tournament duration
3. Invite all the selected probables players for practice & open trial sessions
4. Pick final squad of 15 with feedback from trials & current performance

SCCA Selection Panel for 2024:

Category	Panel
Mens	Vishwaksena Reddy, Peshaan W, Piyush A, Nazim Shirazi (Coach)
Womens	Rachana Haste
Master	Ajay Garyali, Amit Patel
Youth	Vinay Kulkarni, Coach Mumtaz

Criteria :
 For any player to be selected they must meet the below selection criteria:

1.SCCA affiliation - Regular SCCA player for the season?
- Must play at least half of the games for their respective clubs during the ongoing season.

- If a player was selected for any USA pathway competitions or any other acceptable professional competitions that severely affected a player's availability, then they are exempt from the above requirement.

2.Performance
Must put up some good performances consistently in the current ongoing SCCA season or previous season (during off season). Individual performances in other leagues EPL, OCCA etc are not considered/prioritized over SCCA league.

3. Format Relevance
Player performance in relevant format is to be taken into consideration.
Ex: A player doing well in T-20, failing in OD would be considered for T-20 only.

4. Fitness - to be confirmed by player and verified by Coach/ Manager
- Player must be physically fit with some recent game time to be considered.

- Player cannot directly play for SCCA after a long hiatus during the season, unless they participated in any other professional tournament recently.

- Any player reported to be not match fit by Coach, Selector or team management during practice sessions would not be considered for selections

5. Discipline
Player must be disciplined and must not fall under any of the below categories:
- Any current ban imposed by SCCA
- NO show in any previous tournaments
- Indiscipline reported by Coach / Captain / Players during games or training

6. Availability
Player availability to be confirmed by the player before the tournament via email or any other communication method used by the panel.

7. Practice/ Training / Trial sessions
- It is mandatory to attend- **at least 1 Trial or optional practice session** or the number decided by the coach/captain/selection panel for a particular tournament.

- Once the final team of 15 is selected all the players **must attend a Final Mandatory Session whenever it is scheduled.**

Exceptions:
- Unless the player informs in advance with any acceptable valid reason
- If there is a conflict of his club's SCCA game and player plays the game
- Distance Factor: Player resides over a distance over 100 miles (Ex: San Diego, Bakersfield). However they must provide proof of practice or any alternate cricket game played during the practice day and attend the Final Mandatory Session.

New player selection policy:
A player who just arrived to SoCal and does not have any SCCA games behind him would be considered for selection if:
- They attend any SCCA open trial and are recommended by coach / selectors
- Is a former First class or international player that has just moved to Socal and has signed up with an SCCA club for the current / upcoming season.

Youth: To enhance SCCA's future development, youth players(U-25) will be prioritized when selecting probables/squad members for any open slots.