



2018 IWWF Junior World Water Ski Championships Athlete Selection Criteria

Key Information

Location:	Toledo, Spain
Competition Dates:	August 2 to 5, 2018
Travel Dates:	TBD
Host:	Spanish Water Ski Federation

This document outlines the Canadian athlete selection criteria for the 2018 IWWF Junior World Water Ski Championships to be used by Water Ski Canada (“**WSC**”), a committee of Water Ski and Wakeboard Canada (“**WSWC**”). The WSC High Performance Committee (“**HPC**”) will have the authority to make all decisions with respect to the criteria.

Tournament Overview

The Junior World Water Ski Championships are open to all members of the International Waterski and Wakeboard Federation (“**IWWF**”) who are 16 years old or younger on December 31, 2017 (born in 2001 or later).

All members who are eligible to represent Canada at an IWWF event and are members in good standing of WSWC are eligible for selection to represent Canada at the Junior World Championships.

Goal

The goals for this competition are:

- (a) to maximize Canada’s team placement; and
- (b) to ensure that all athletes who qualify to enter the Junior World Championships based on the IWWF individual skier entry criteria are included in the contingent of Canadian athletes selected to represent Canada at the Championships.

Selection Process

At the Junior World Championships, team scores are calculated using the three highest overall scores in each event of the six athletes (a maximum of four of one gender) named by each country for purposes of determining the team score.

The athletes to represent Canada at the Junior World Championships and form the Canadian Team will be:

- (a) the six athletes whose scores will be used to determine Canada’s team score at the Championships; and

- (b) the additional athletes who qualify to enter the Championships as individual skiers.

The HPC reserves the right to change the following process and/or criteria if:

- (a) the format or technical rules of the tournament are changed; and/or
- (b) unusual circumstances would result in the application of the following process and/or criteria being unfair.

Calculation of Selection Overall Scores

Subject to the restrictions listed below, the average of each athlete's:

- (a) best event score from any one of the Major Tournaments listed below; and
- (b) two best event scores from two World Rankings List record capability tournaments;

during the period from June 26, 2017 to June 25, 2018, inclusive, will be calculated. The three scores to be used must be one of the combination of scores from the different eligibility periods set out in the following table.

Eligibility Period 2 Jun 26, 2017 to Mar 26, 2018	Eligibility Period 1 Mar 27 to Jun 25, 2018
1 score	2 scores
2 scores	1 score
0 scores	3 scores

Each athlete's three score average in each event will be converted to overall points (the "**Selection Overall Score**") using the IWWF overall formulas set out below. The 1,000 point score to be used for each event in the overall formulas will be the average of the scores of the top three athletes in each event as listed on the November 2017 IWWF Junior World Rankings List whose scores the HPC anticipates will be used in determining a country's team score at the Championships. These average scores are set out below under the heading "Benchmark Scores". The Benchmark Scores may be revised if the athletes from the other participating countries who are selected are different from the athletes the HPC anticipated.

Additional Restrictions on Scores That May Be Used

Each of the athlete's event scores to be used to calculate a Selection Overall Score must be:

- (a) from a separate tournament; and
- (b) from a different site, except that if a Major Tournament and a World Rankings List record capability tournament that is not Major Tournament are held at the same site, scores from both the Major Tournament and the World Rankings List record capability tournament may be used.



Selection of the Team Score Athletes

The following parameters will be used to select up to six athletes whose scores will be used to determine Canada's team score at the Junior World Championships. The objective is to maximize Canada's team score at the Championships.

The selection parameters are:

- (a) there can be no more than four athletes of one gender;
- (b) the third highest Selection Overall Score of the previously selected athletes will be used to determine if another athlete's Selection Overall Score can improve the team score; and
- (c) the HPC may (but is not obligated to) select an athlete to provide a back up score even if the athlete has no Selection Overall Score that is higher than the third highest Selection Overall Score of the previously selected athletes; the HPC may exercise its discretion under this clause even if another athlete's Selection Overall Score is higher than the third highest Selection Overall Score of the previously selected athletes.

Selection of Alternates

The HPC may, but is not obligated to name up to two alternates to the six athletes whose scores will be used to determine Canada's team score at the Junior World Championships based on the foregoing selection criteria. The alternates may be selected at the time the six athletes are selected or may be selected at a later date.

Selection of Individual Athletes

All other athletes who qualify to enter the Junior World Championships based on the IWWF individual skier entry criteria will be selected to represent Canada at the Championships and will be part of the Canadian Team. Athletes may review the criteria on the IWWF web site.

Deadline for Submitting Results

A copy of results for the entire tournament or a ratings sheet, in either case, signed by the Chief of Competition or Chief Judge of each tournament an athlete wishes to be used in the selection process must be received by WSC by email to info@wswc.ca prior to the close of business on June 25, 2018. Athletes are responsible for ensuring that all results or rating sheets are received by WSC by the deadline.

Despite the foregoing, for the purposes of this selection criteria the HPC may, but is not obligated to, use tournament results posted on the internet if the HPC believes the posted results to be credible.

Timing of Selection

The HPC will complete the selection of athletes to represent Canada at the Junior World Championships and form the Canadian Team promptly following the June 25, 2018 results submission deadline.

Extenuating Circumstances

If extenuating circumstances prevent an athlete from competing in the required number of tournaments or adversely affect the athlete's performances, the HPC may make exceptions to the selection criteria. If an athlete wants the HPC to consider making exceptions to the selection criteria, the athlete must make a written submission to the HPC. The written submission must be received by WSC by email to info@wswc.ca prior to the close of business on May 14, 2018. Following receipt of the submission, the HPC may require additional written information from the athlete. The HPC's decision will be communicated to all athletes who may be affected by the decision.

Appeals

An athlete may appeal any decision made pursuant to this document. An appeal shall be made and dealt with in accordance with the most recent version of WSWC's Appeals Policy. A copy of the Appeals Policy is available on the WSWC website at: <http://wswc.ca/policies>

Code of Conduct

The HPC may, at any time, and at its discretion, disqualify an athlete from being considered for selection to the Canadian Team or remove an athlete after selection based on current or past behavior of the athlete which is inconsistent with WSWC's Code of Conduct. A copy of the Code of Conduct can be found on the WSWC website at: <http://wswc.ca/policies> The HPC will advise the affected athlete, in writing, of its decision.

Competition Readiness

The HPC may, at any time, and at its discretion, disqualify an athlete from being considered for selection to the Canadian Team or remove an athlete after selection if, due to illness, injury, lack of physical fitness or other reason which affects the athlete's ability to perform, the HPC believes it unlikely that the athlete will be able to perform at the World Championships at a level consistent with the scores upon which the selection of the athlete to the Team would be or was based. The HPC will advise the affected athlete, in writing, of its decision.

Participant Contract

Each athlete selected to represent Canada at the Junior World Championships must sign an Event Participant's Contract agreeing to adhere to all WSWC rules and regulations, including WSWC's Code of Conduct. A copy of the Event Participant's Contract is available from WSWC upon request.

Cost to Athlete

Athletes selected to represent Canada at the Junior World Championships will be required to pay for their own flight and baggage costs associated with travel to the event. Flights must be approved by the HPC prior to booking. The HPC has not yet determined whether the other costs associated with participation at the event will be paid by the selected athletes or by WSC.

List of Major Tournaments		
Moomba Masters /Jr. Moomba	The Masters (US) / Jr Masters	Canadian Championships
Can Am Challenge	U.S. Open / Jr U.S. Open	Malibu /Malibu Jr.
Canadian Westerns and Easterns (only if RC)	Canadian Open	World Championships
<p>From time to time the HPC may add or delete any tournament to or from the List of Major Tournaments.</p> <p>An athlete may apply to have a tournament added to the List of Major Tournaments by submitting (or having a coach or tournament organizer submit) to WSC a written request for the inclusion of the tournament at least one month in advance of the tournament. The HPC will determine if the tournament should be added to the list.</p> <p>If any changes are made to the List of Major Tournaments as a result of a decision by the HPC, the above list will be updated and a revised IWWF 2018 Junior World Water Ski Championships Athlete Selection Criteria will be posted on the WSC web site. It is the responsibility of each athlete to be aware of the tournaments on the List of Major Tournaments by checking for updated information on the WSC web site with respect to updates to the above List of Major Tournaments.</p>		

Benchmark Scores			
	Slalom	Tricks	Jump
Men	TBD	TBD	TBD
Women	TBD	TBD	TBD
<p>The Benchmark Scores will be the average of the top three athletes scores in each event as listed on the November 2017 Junior World Rankings List.</p> <p>The slalom scores are based on the IWWF scoring system.</p>			

IWWF Formulas	
Slalom and Tricks:	athlete's score x 1000 ÷ Benchmark Score
Jump - Men:	(athlete's score – 20) x 1000 ÷ (Benchmark Score – 20)
Jump - Women:	(athlete's score – 13) x 1000 ÷ (Benchmark Score – 13)
<p>Note that slalom scores will be based on the IWWF scoring system.</p>	