



2018 IWWF Pan American Championships Open Team Selection Criteria

Key Information

Location: San Bernardo, Chile
Dates: November 12 to 18, 2018

Tournament Overview

The 2018 IWWF Pan American Championships are open to all members of IWWF federations within North, South and Central America.

The following criteria will be used to select the Open Team for the Championships.

Funding

Athletes selected to the team will receive funding for the Championships as set out in the National Team Program guidelines.

Eligibility

To be eligible for selection, the athlete must be:

- (a) a member in good standing of Water Ski and Wakeboard Canada (WSWC); and
- (b) eligible to represent Canada at an IWWF event.

Goal

The goal for this competition is to maximize the placement of the Open Team.

Selection Criteria

At the Championships, team scores will be calculated using the three highest overall scores in each event of the six athletes named by each country for purposes of determining the team score.

Selection Overall Scores

The average of each athlete's:

- (a) best event score from one of the Major Tournaments listed below; and
- (b) two best event scores from two tournaments the results from which qualify for the IWWF's World Rankings Lists (WRL Tournament);

during the period from January 1, 2018 to September 24, 2018 will be calculated. Each score must be from a separate tournament and a different site, except that if a Major Tournament and a WRL Tournament that is not Major Tournament are held at the same site, scores from both the Major Tournament and that WRL Tournament may be used. In addition, the three scores must be one of the



combinations from the three eligibility periods set out in the following table.

Eligibility Period 1 July 31, 2018 to Sep. 24, 2018	Eligibility Period 2 May 1, 2018 to July 30, 2018	Eligibility Period 3 Jan. 1, 2018 to April 30, 2018
3 scores	0 scores	0 scores
2 scores	1 score	0 scores
2 scores	0 scores	1 score
1 score	2 scores	0 scores
1 score	1 score	1 score

Each athlete's three score average in each event will be converted to overall points using the IWWF overall formulas set out below to determine the athlete's Event Selection Score in that event.

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 listed on the IWWF World Rankings List whose scores the National Team Coach (NTC) anticipates will be used in determining the other countries' team scores at the Championships. These average scores will be set out in the Benchmark Score table below.

The NTC may change the Benchmark Scores if the athletes from the other participating countries who enter the Championships are different from the athletes the NTC anticipates.

When the Benchmark Scores are determined (and if any scores are later changed), the Benchmark Score table below will be updated and a revised 2018 IWWF Pan American Championships Open Team Selection Criteria will be posted on the WSWC website.

Selection Parameters

The following parameters will be used to select six athletes for the Open Team:

- (c) there may be no more than four athletes of one gender;
- (d) the third highest Event Selection Score of the previously selected athletes will be used to determine if another athlete's Event Selection Score can improve the team score;
- (e) the NTC may select an athlete to provide a backup score even if:
 - (i) that athlete's Event Selection Score is lower; and
 - (ii) another unselected athlete's Event Selection Score is higher;
 than the third highest Event Selection Score of the previously selected athletes.



Selection of Alternates

The NTC may name up to two alternates to the six athletes selected to the team based on the selection parameters above. The alternates may be selected at the time the six athletes are selected or may be selected at a later date.

Competition Readiness

The NTC may disqualify an athlete from being considered for selection to the team or remove an athlete after selection if, due to illness, injury, lack of physical fitness or other reason affecting the athlete's ability to perform, the NTC believes it unlikely that the athlete will be able to perform at the Championships at a level consistent with the scores upon which the selection of the athlete to the team would be or was based. The NTC shall advise the affected athlete of his decision.

Code of Conduct

The WSWC High Performance Committee (HPC) may disqualify an athlete from being considered for selection to the team or remove an athlete after selection based on past or current behavior of the athlete that is inconsistent with WSWC's Code of Conduct. A copy of the Code of Conduct is available from WSWC upon request. The HPC shall advise the affected athlete of its decision.

Participant Contract

Each athlete selected to the team must sign an Event Team Athlete Agreement which will obligate the athlete to adhere to all WSWC rules and regulations, including WSWC's Code of Conduct.

Results Submission Deadline

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 wants to be used in the selection process must be received by WSWC at info@wswc.ca by 4:00 p.m. EST on September 24, 2018. Athletes are responsible for ensuring that all results or rating sheets are received by WSWC by that deadline. However, the NTC may use tournament results posted on the internet if he believes the posted results to be credible.

Selection Date

The NTC will complete the selection the team promptly following the September 24, 2018 results submission deadline and all selected athletes will be notified of the decision.

Extenuating Circumstances

If illness, injury or other 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 an exception to the selection criteria, the athlete must make a written submission to the HPC. The written submission must be received by WSWC at info@wswc.ca by 4:00 p.m. EST on August 24, 2018. Following receipt of the submission, the HPC may require additional information from the athlete. The HPC's decision shall be

communicated to all athletes who may be affected by the decision.

Criteria Changes

The NTC may change the criteria if:

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

Appeals

An athlete may appeal any decision made pursuant to this document. An appeal shall be made and dealt with in accordance with the WSWC's Appeals Policy. A copy of the Appeals Policy is available from WSWC upon request and is posted on WSWC's website at: www.wswc.ca

As a result of the short period of time between the date on which the athletes to attend the Championships will be selected and the team's departure for the Championships, the normal time lines in the Appeal Policy for considering an appeal may have to be shortened in order for the appeal to be dealt with prior to the team's departure. Any appeal should therefore be filed as soon as possible following the team's selection. Any appeal filed too close in time to the team's departure may not be able to be dealt with.

List of Major Tournaments ¹		
Canadian Championships	The U.S. Masters	The U.S. Junior Masters
Moomba Masters	Junior Moomba Masters	Junior World Championships
U.S. Open	California Cup	Malibu Open
LA Night Jam	World Cup Tournaments	Pro Tournaments with a minimum of \$7,000 total prize money
<p>¹ Only results that qualify for the IWWF's World Rankings List will qualify as a Major Tournament score.</p> <p>The NTC 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 the HPC 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, the above list will be updated and a revised 2018 IWWF Pan American Championships Open Team Selection Criteria will be posted on the WSWC website. 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 WSWC website.</p>		

IWWF Overall Formulas

Slalom and Tricks	athlete's score x 1000 ÷ Benchmark Score
Jump - Men	(athlete's score – 25) x 1000 ÷ (Benchmark Score – 25)
Jump - Women	(athlete's score – 17) x 1000 ÷ (Benchmark Score – 17)
Note that slalom scores will be based on the IWWF scoring system.	

Benchmark Scores			
	Slalom	Tricks	Jump
Men	TBD	TBD	TBD
Women	TBD	TBD	TBD
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