



## **2019 IWWF World Water Ski Championships Athlete Selection Criteria**

### **Key Information**

Location:	Putrajaya, Malaysia
Competition Dates:	August 13 to 18, 2019
Travel Dates:	TBD
Host:	Malaysian Water Ski Federation

### **Tournament Overview**

The World Water Ski Championships are open to all members of the International Water Ski and Wakeboard Federation (IWWF).

All competitive license holders who are eligible to represent Canada at an IWWF event and are members in good standing of Water Ski and Wakeboard Canada (WSWC) are eligible for selection to represent Canada at the Championships.

### **Goals**

The goals for this competition are to:

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

Attached to this document is a summary of WSWC's National Team program and the funding available to athletes selected for the program.

### **Selection Process**

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

The athletes to represent Canada at the 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 WSWC High Performance Committee (HPC) reserves the right to change the following criteria if: (a) the format or technical rules of the tournament are changed; or (b) unusual circumstances would result in the application of the criteria being unfair.

*Calculation of Selection Overall Scores*

Subject to the restrictions stated below, 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 List;

during the period from July 6, 2018 to July 8, 2019 will be calculated. The three scores to be used must be one of the combinations of scores from the different eligibility periods set out in the following table.

<b>Eligibility Period 1</b> April 9, 2019 to July 8, 2019	<b>Eligibility Period 2</b> January 8, 2019 to April 8, 2019	<b>Eligibility Period 3</b> July 6, 2018 to January 7, 2019
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 (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 listed on the May 2019 IWWF World Rankings List whose scores the HPC anticipates will be used in determining a country's team score at the Championships. Those average scores are set out below under the heading "Benchmark Scores". The Benchmark Scores may be revised if the selected athletes from the other participating countries are different from the athletes the HPC anticipated.

*Additional Restrictions on Scores*

Each of the athlete's event scores to be used to calculate a Selection Overall Score must be from a separate tournament and a different site.

*Selection of the Team Score Athletes*

The following parameters will be used to select six athletes whose scores will be used to determine Canada's team score at the Championships:

- (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 will improve the team score; and
- (c) the HPC may, but is not obligated to, select an athlete to provide a backup 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 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 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. The individual skier entry criteria are set out in the IWWF 2019 Tournament Water Ski Rules. 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 wants to be used in the selection process must be received by WSWC by email at [info@wswc.ca](mailto:info@wswc.ca) prior to the close of business on July 11, 2019. Athletes are responsible for ensuring that all results or rating sheets are received by WSWC by the deadline.

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

#### **Timing of Selection**

The HPC will complete the selection of athletes to represent Canada at the Championships and form the Canadian Team promptly following the July 11, 2019 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 WSWC at [info@wswc.ca](mailto:info@wswc.ca) no later than the close of business on June 7, 2019. 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 from WSWC upon request and is posted on the WSWC's web site ([www.wswc.ca](http://www.wswc.ca)).

As a result of the short period of time between the day 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 will have to be shortened in order for the appeal to be completed prior to the team's departure. An appeal should therefore be filed as soon as possible following the team's selection. An appeal filed too close to the team's departure may not be able to be completed before the team's departure.

### **Code of Conduct**

The HPC may, at any time, disqualify an athlete from being considered for selection to the team or remove an athlete after selection based on current or past behaviour 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 will advise the affected athlete of its decision.

### **Competition Readiness**

The HPC may, at any time, 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 that affects the athlete's ability to perform, the HPC 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 HPC will advise the affected athlete of its decision.

### **Event Participant's Contract**

Each athlete selected to represent Canada at the 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 that contract is available from WSWC upon request.

<b>List of Major Tournaments <sup>1</sup></b>		
Moomba Masters	Canadian Open	Junior US Masters
The Masters (US)	California Cup	US Open
Malibu Open	Junior World Championships	Canadian Nationals
U21 World Championships		all World Cup tournaments
all tournaments the results from which qualify for the IWWF's World Rankings List (a list of those tournaments is posted on the IWWF web site)		
<sup>1</sup> Only results that qualify for the IWWF's World Rankings List will qualify as a Major Tournament score. For example, a World Cup tournament the results from which do not qualify for the IWWF's World Rankings List will not qualify as a Major Tournament score.		
The HPC may add or delete a tournament (including a World Cup tournament or an IWWF World Rankings List tournament) to or from this List of Major Tournaments.		
An athlete may apply to have a tournament added to this 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.		
If any changes are made to this List of Major Tournaments as a result of a decision by the HPC, this list will be updated and a revised 2019 IWWF World Water Ski Championships Athlete Selection Criteria will be posted on the WSWC web site. It is the responsibility of each athlete to be aware of the tournaments on this List of Major Tournaments by checking for updated information on the WSWC and IWWF web sites.		

<b>IWWF Overall Formulas</b>	
Slalom <sup>1</sup>	$(\text{athlete's score} + 12) \times 1000 \div (\text{Benchmark Score} + 12)$
Tricks	$\text{athlete's score} \times 1000 \div \text{Benchmark Score}$
Jump - Men	$(\text{athlete's score} - 25) \times 1000 \div (\text{Benchmark Score} - 25)$
Jump - Women	$(\text{athlete's score} - 17) \times 1000 \div (\text{Benchmark Score} - 17)$
<sup>1</sup> Slalom scores will be based on the IWWF scoring system: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>complete 13 m = 24 buoys</li> <li>complete 12 m = 30 buoys</li> <li>complete 11.25 m = 36 buoys</li> <li>complete 10.75 m = 42 buoys</li> <li>complete 10.25 m = 48 buoys</li> </ul>	

<b>Benchmark Scores</b>			
	<b>Slalom</b>	<b>Tricks</b>	<b>Jump</b>
Men	TBD	TBD	TBD
Women	TBD	TBD	TBD