



2019 IWWF Under 21 World Water Ski Championships Athlete Selection Criteria

Key Information

Location: Edmonton Alberta
Competition dates: July 4 to 7, 2019
Host: Shalom Water Ski Park

Tournament Overview

The U21 World Water Ski Championships are open to all members of the International Water Ski and Wakeboard Federation (IWWF).

All complete 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.

To be eligible for selection, athletes must be 20 years of age or younger on December 31, 2018, that is born in 1998 or later.

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 June 4, 2018 to June 10, 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.

Eligibility Period 1 March 12 to June 10, 2019	Eligibility Period 2 Dec. 4, 2018 to March 11, 2019	Eligibility Period 3 June 4, 2018 to Dec. 3, 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 (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 at **PO Box 89, 2420 Bank Street, Ottawa, Ontario, K1V 8S1** or info@wswc.ca to the close of business on June 12, 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 June 12, 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 **PO Box 89, 2420**



Bank Street ,Ottawa, Ontario, K1V 8S1 or info@wswc.ca no later than the close of business on May 16, 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 website (www.waterski-wakeboard.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.

List of Major Tournaments ¹

Junior Moomba Masters	Junior Malibu Open	Canadian Nationals
Moomba Masters	Malibu Open	Canadian Open
Pan Am Championships	Junior Masters (US)	Junior US Open
California Cup	The Masters (US)	US Open
Junior 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)

¹ 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 Under 21 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.

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

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