

## 2020 IWWF Pan American Championships U21 Team Selection Criteria

### Key Information

Location: Chapala, Mexico  
Dates: November 4 to 7, 2021

### Tournament Overview

The 2020 IWWF Pan American Championships are open to all members of IWWF federations within North, South and Central America.

### Cost to Athlete

**This is a self-funded event.** Athletes selected to the team will be required to pay all of their own expenses (e.g. travel, accommodation, meals and entry fees).

Athletes who are part of the National Team Program may be eligible to receive some funding under that program. A copy of the National Team Program is available from Water Ski and Wakeboard Canada (WSWC) upon request and is posted on WSWC's web site ([www.waterskicanada.ca](http://www.waterskicanada.ca)).

### Eligibility

To be eligible for selection, an athlete must be:

- (a) a member in good standing of WSWC;
- (b) eligible to represent Canada at an IWWF event; and
- (c) 20 years of age or younger on December 31, 2019.

It is recommended that athletes interested in being selected to the team submit the attached Declaration of Intent to Participate by September 15, 2021.

### Goal

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

### Selection Criteria

The WSWC High Performance Committee (HPC) may 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.

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

### *Selection Overall Scores*

The average of each athlete's three best event scores from three tournaments the results from which

qualify for the IWWF's World Ranking Lists during the period from January 1, 2020 to September 27, 2021 will be calculated. Each score must be from a separate tournament and a different site. In addition, the three scores must be one of the combinations from the three eligibility periods set out in the following table.

| <b>Eligibility Period 1</b><br>June 29 to September 27, 2021 | <b>Eligibility Period 2</b><br>January 1 to June 28, 2021 | <b>Eligibility Period 3</b><br>January 1 to December 31, 2020 |
|--|---|---|
| 3 scores   | 0 scores  | 0 scores  |
| 2 scores   | 1 score   | 0 scores  |
| 2 scores   | 0 scores  | 1 score   |
| 1 score  | 2 scores  | 0 scores  |
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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 Ranking List whose scores the HPC anticipates will be used in determining the other countries' team scores at the Championships. Those average scores will be set out in the Benchmark Score table below. The HPC may change the Benchmark Scores if the athletes from the other participating countries who enter the Championships are different from the athletes the HPC 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 2020 IWWF Pan American Championships U21 Team Selection Criteria will be posted on WSWC's website.

#### *Selection Parameters*

The following parameters will be used to select four athletes for the U21 Team:

- (a) there may be no more than three athletes of one gender;
- (b) 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;
- (c) the HPC 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 HPC may name up to two alternates to the four athletes selected to the team based on the selection parameters above. The alternates may be selected at the time the four athletes are selected or may be selected at a later date.

### *Competition Readiness*

The HPC 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 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 shall advise the affected athlete of its decision.

### *Code of Conduct*

The 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 that 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, from each tournament an athlete wants to be used in the selection process must be received by WSWC at [info@wswc.ca](mailto:info@wswc.ca) by 4:00 p.m. EST on September 27, 2021. Athletes are responsible for ensuring that all results or rating sheets are received by WSWC by that deadline. However, the HPC may use tournament results posted on the internet if it believes the posted results to be credible.

### **Selection Date**

The HPC will complete the selection the team promptly following the September 27, 2021 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, 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) by no later than 4:00 p.m. EST on September 15, 2021. Following receipt of the submission, the HPC may require additional information from the athlete. The HPC shall communicate its decision 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 WSWC's Appeals Policy. A copy of the Appeals Policy is available from WSWC

upon request and is posted on WSWC's website ([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.

| <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 are based on the IWWF scoring system: <table style="float: right; margin-left: 20px;"> <tr><td>complete 13 m = 24 buoys</td></tr> <tr><td>complete 12 m = 30 buoys</td></tr> <tr><td>complete 11.25 m = 36 buoys</td></tr> <tr><td>complete 10.75 m = 42 buoys</td></tr> </table> |  | complete 13 m = 24 buoys | complete 12 m = 30 buoys | complete 11.25 m = 36 buoys | complete 10.75 m = 42 buoys |
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| <b>Benchmark Scores</b>  |                            |               |             |                          |                          |                             |                             |
|--|----------------------------|---------------|-------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
|  | <b>Slalom <sup>1</sup></b> | <b>Tricks</b> | <b>Jump</b> |                          |                          |                             |                             |
| Men  | TBD                        | TBD           | TBD         |                          |                          |                             |                             |
| Women  | TBD                        | TBD           | TBD         |                          |                          |                             |                             |
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**Declaration of Intent to Participate  
2020 IWWF Pan American Championships  
U21 Team Selection**

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|---|---------|
| Name:   |         |
| Address:  |         |
| Email:  | Phone:  |
| Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy):   | Gender: |
| 2021 Provincial Association membership number:  |         |
| <p><b>Please Return the Declaration to:</b><br/>High Performance Committee at:<br/>info@wswc.ca</p> |         |