

2021 Can-Am Team Challenge U17 Team Selection Criteria

Key Information

Location : Harmony, North Carolina (Skyview Lake)
Competition Dates: August 27 to 29, 2021
Travel Dates: TBD
Funding: 100% self-funded

Tournament Overview

The Can-Am Team Challenge is a three event, two round team tournament between Canada and the United States. Team scores will be calculated using the three highest overall scores in each event.

The U17 Team will consist of six athletes (maximum of four of one gender).

Goal

The goal for this competition is to maximize Canada's U17 Team placement.

Eligibility

To be eligible for selection, athletes must be: (a) members in good standing of Water Ski and Wakeboard Canada (WSWC); and (b) 16 years of age or younger on December 31, 2020 (born in 2004 or later).

Athletes interested in being selected to the U17 Team are encouraged to compete at the 2021 Western or Eastern Championships and the 2021 National Championships.

Athletes interested in being selected to the U17 Team are asked to send an email to the National Team Coach at sbush53@gmail.com with the subject heading "2021 Can-Am Team Challenge" indicating the name of the athlete who would like to be considered for selection to the U17 Team. This is not mandatory, but will help with team selection.

Cost

Selected athletes will be responsible for paying 100% of their expenses for this event. Expenses will include travel, accommodation, meals and tournament registration.

Selection Criteria

Athletes to attend the tournament will be selected by the WSWC High Performance Committee ("HPC").

Because the COVID travel and other public health restrictions have: (a) adversely affected athletes' training, tournament scores and competition readiness; and (b) reduced the number of tournaments in which athletes have been able participate; athletes will not be selected based solely on past tournament scores. While tournament scores will be an important consideration, criteria such as the commitment of the athlete to the sport, the future potential of the athlete, an athlete's competition readiness and other matters considered relevant by the HPC will also be

considered in the selection process. It is recognized that some of the criteria such as commitment and potential are subjective, but they will nonetheless form a component of the selection process. As a result of the subjectivity of the selection process, athletes with the highest current tournament scores may not be selected to attend the tournament.

The HPC may name up to two alternates to the athletes selected to the U17 Team. The alternates may be selected at the time the U17 Team athletes are selected or may be selected at a later date.

Deadline for Submitting Results

A copy of the 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 before the close of business on July 19, 2021. Athletes are responsible for ensuring that all results or rating sheets are received by WSWC by the deadline.

The HPC may use tournament results posted on the internet if it believes the posted results are credible.

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 adversely affects the athlete's ability to perform, the HPC believes it unlikely that the athlete will be able to perform as expected at the Can-Am Team Challenge. The HPC will advise the affected athlete of its decision.

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.

Appeals

An athlete may appeal any decision made pursuant to this document. Appeals will 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 WSWC's website (www.wswc.ca).

As a result of the short period of time between the day on which the athletes to attend the Can-Am Team Challenge will be selected and the start of the tournament, the normal time lines in the Appeals Policy for considering an appeal will have to be shortened in order for the appeal to be completed prior to the start of the tournament. An appeal should therefore be filed as soon as possible following the team's selection. An appeal filed too close to the start of the tournament may not be able to be completed before the start of the tournament.