

2022 IWWF Pan American Championships U14 Team Selection Criteria

Key Information

Location: Santiago Chile
Dates: November 30 to December 3, 2022

Tournament Overview

The 2022 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).

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) 13 years of age or younger on December 31, 2021.

It is recommended that athletes interested in being selected to the team submit the attached Declaration of Intent to Participate by August 8, 2022.

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.

In addition, travel and other public health restrictions imposed because of the COVID pandemic may: (a) adversely affect an athlete's training, tournament scores and competition readiness; and (b) reduce the number of tournaments in which an athlete participates. The HPC may therefore make exceptions to the following criteria when selecting the team athletes and may: (a) select athletes whose tournament scores have been adversely affected by those restrictions; and (b) not select athletes whose training and competition readiness have been adversely affected by those restrictions. That may result in an athlete with the highest tournament scores not being selected.

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.

Event Selection Scores

The average of each athlete's two best scores in each event during the period from January 1, 2021 to September 26, 2022 will be calculated. The two scores must be from separate tournaments, the results from which qualify for the IWWF's World Ranking Lists, and from different sites.

Each athlete's two 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 based on the scores of the athletes in each event whose scores the HPC anticipates will be used in determining the other countries' team scores at the Championships. Those 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 2022 IWWF Pan American Championships U14 Team Selection Criteria will be posted on WSWC's website.

Selection Parameters

The following parameters will be used to select six athletes for the U14 Team:

- (a) there may be no more than four 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 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 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

Each athlete must send (or have the tournament organizer send) to WSWC at info@wswc.ca 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, from each tournament the scores from which an athlete wants to be used in the selection process. It is the athlete's responsibility to ensure that those results or sheets are received by WSWC by 4:00 p.m. EDT on September 27, 2022. 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, 2022 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 by no later than 4:00 p.m. EDT on August 8, 2022. 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).

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.

IWWF Overall Formulas	
Slalom ¹ and Tricks	athlete's score x 1000 ÷ Benchmark Score
Jump - Boys	(athlete's score – 10) x 1000 ÷ (Benchmark Score – 10)
Jump - Girls	(athlete's score – 7) x 1000 ÷ (Benchmark Score – 7)
¹ Slalom scores are based on the IWWF scoring system: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> complete 13 m = 48 buoys complete 12 m = 54 buoys complete 11.25 m = 60 buoys 	

Benchmark Scores			
	Slalom ¹	Tricks	Jump
Boys	TBD	TBD	TBD
Girls	TBD	TBD	TBD
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**Declaration of Intent to Participate
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Name:	
Address:	
Email:	Phone:
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy):	Gender:
2022 Provincial Association membership number:	
Please Return the Declaration to: High Performance Committee at: kyle@wswc.ca	