

## 2020 IWWF Pan American Championships Open Team Selection Criteria

### Key Information

Location: Dominican Republic  
Dates: November 25 to 29, 2020

### Tournament Overview

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

### Eligibility

To be eligible for selection, an athlete must be a member in good standing of Water Ski and Wakeboard Canada (WSWC) and eligible to represent Canada at an IWWF event.

### 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 six athletes named by each country for purposes of determining the team score.

#### *Selection Overall Scores*

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 Ranking Lists (WRL Tournament);

during the period from August 13, 2019 to October 26, 2020 will be calculated. Each score must be from a separate tournament and a different site, except that if a Major Tournament and another WRL Tournament are held at the same site, scores from both the Major Tournament and that WRL Tournament may be used. 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> June 30 to October 26, 2020	<b>Eligibility Period 2</b> March 2 to June 29, 2020	<b>Eligibility Period 3</b> August 13, 2019 to March 1, 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
1 score	1 score	1 score

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 Open Team Selection Criteria will be posted on WSWC's website.

#### *Selection Parameters*

The following parameters will be used to select six athletes for the Open 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**

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) or by fax at 613.701.0385 by 4:00 p.m. EST on October 26, 2020. 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 October 26, 2020 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) or by fax at 613.701.0385 no later than 4:00 p.m. EST on September 21, 2020. 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>List of Major Tournaments <sup>1</sup></b>		
U.S. Open	The U.S. Masters	Canadian Championships
Moomba Masters	California Cup	Malibu Open
Botaski	World Cup Tournaments	2019 World Waterski Open Championships
Pro Tournaments with a minimum of \$7,000 total prize money		
<sup>1</sup> Only results that qualify for the IWWF's World Ranking Lists will qualify as a Major Tournament score.		
<p>The HPC may add or delete any tournament to or from the List of Major Tournaments.</p> <p>An athlete may apply to have a tournament added to the 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.</p> <p>If any changes are made to the List of Major Tournaments, the above list will be updated and a revised 2020 IWWF Pan American Championships Open Team Selection Criteria will be posted on the WSWC website. It is the responsibility of each athlete to be aware of the tournaments on the List of Major Tournaments by checking for updated information on the WSWC website.</p>		

<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="margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="padding-right: 20px;">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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