



USA GYMNASTICS
ATHLETE & COACH SELECTION PROCEDURES
2022 WORLD GAMES – BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, USA
TRAMPOLINE & TUMBLING
OCTOBER 24, 2021

I. STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES

A. Overall Goal

1. The Overall Goal for athletes selected to the 2022 World Games Team to have the best demonstrated potential to earn a competitive score at the event. The selection procedures have been set with this goal in mind.

II. SELECTION SYSTEM

A. Minimum eligibility requirements for an athlete to be considered for selection to the Team.

1. Citizenship
 - a. Athlete must be a citizen of the United States at the start of the selection process and at the time of selection hold a current U.S. passport that will not expire for six (6) months after the conclusion of the event.
2. Minimum International Federation standards for participation (if any)
 - a. Athlete must be at least 17 years of age at December 31, 2022.
 - b. Athlete must hold a valid FIG Athlete License at the time of event accreditation.
3. Other requirements (if any)
 - a. Athlete must compete as Senior Elite or Intermediate Elite at time of selection events noted in II.B.1.
 - b. Athlete must be a member in good standing of USA Gymnastics.
 - c. Any athlete aged 18 or older will be required to complete SafeSport training.

B. Tryout Events

1. Event names, dates and locations of all trials, events, and camps to be used as part of the selection process.
 - 2022 Winter Classic – March 4-6, Daytona Beach, FL
 - 2022 Elite Challenge – April 21-24, Irving, TX
 - a. To be eligible for selection, athletes must compete full qualification routines at both Tryout Event opportunities (i.e.: 16 elements in Tumbling

D. Petition Procedures

1. Athletes may not petition directly to the 2022 World Games team.

E. Selection Committees Members

1. The Selection Committees (SCs) are three-member voting bodies:

Tumbling	Double Mini
Selection Committees Chair	Selection Committees Chair
Elite Committees Tumbling Representative	Elite Committees Double Mini Representative
Athlete Selection Representative	Athlete Selection Representative

- The PC Chair, the Program Director, and the National Coordinator of the applicable discipline will be invited to attend as guests.
2. Conflict of Interest
 - a. If a Committee member (excluding the Athlete Representative) recuses themselves from a Committee vote for any reason, then a replacement will cast the vote instead, in the following order:
 - Program Committee Chair
 - Members of the SCs for other T&T disciplines
 - International experts (defined as an athlete / coach / judge with world-level competition or judging experience)
 - b. If the Athlete Representative recuses themselves from voting for any reason, then a replacement athlete representative (approved in advance by the Athletes Council) will cast the vote instead.
 - c. The [Conflict of Interest Policy](#) is published on the USA Gymnastics website.

III. DISCRETIONARY SELECTION

A. Rationale for utilizing discretionary selection (if any)

1. While Trampoline & Tumbling is a subjectively judged discipline, these procedures primarily rely on objective criteria for selecting athletes to the Team through rankings and results at the Tryout Events. However, there is one (1) scenario where discretionary selection criteria will be evaluated: in the unlikely case of a tie.

B. Discretionary criteria and how they will be used

1. Discretionary criteria may be used in one (1) scenario:
 - a. Breaking a tie, where Combined Score, highest Qualification Score and/or Final Score are the same for multiple athletes.
2. Criteria used by the Selection Committees include (not listed in order of importance):

- 2021-2022 international performance and experience, including result, type, frequency, and caliber of the event(s), to which USA Gymnastics assigned athletes (these events can be found on the [2021](#) and [2022](#) T&T calendars).
 - 2021-2022 domestic performance and experience, including result, type, frequency, and caliber of the event(s) to be considered, which include the 2021 VIP Classic, 2022 Winter Classic, 2021 & 2022 Elite Challenge, and 2021 & 2022 USA Gymnastics Championships.
 - Total score potential: prior Qualification or Final scores.
 - Successful routine completion percentage at 2021-2022 international and domestic events listed in III.B.2, bullet 1-2.
 - Any physical, training or performance factor, which might inhibit peak performance at the 2022 World Games.
 - Demonstrated professional attitude, compliance with responsibility manual, and ability to positively contribute to the team dynamic.
3. The SCs may request any information from any person or entity that they reasonably believe will be helpful in the decision-making process.

IV. REMOVAL OF ATHLETES

- A. An athlete who is to be selected to the 2022 World Games team by USA Gymnastics may be removed for any of the following reasons, as determined by USA Gymnastics based on a likely inability to meet the Overall Goal per I.A.1. or due to not being in good standing per i.3.b.:
- Voluntary withdrawal. Athlete must submit a written letter to USA Gymnastics T&T Program Director.
 - Injury or illness as certified by a physician (or medical staff) approved by USA Gymnastics. If an athlete refuses verification of his/her illness or injury by a physician (or medical staff) approved by USA Gymnastics, his/her injury will be assumed to be disabling and he/she may be removed.
 - Lack of performance in training, which inhibits peak performance at the 2022 World Championships.
 - Failure to participate in mandatory training and/or competition as defined in these procedures.
 - Violation of USA Gymnastics [Code of Ethical Conduct](#) or National Team Agreement.
 - Violation of WADA, FIG, USADA and/or USOPC anti-doping protocol, policies, and procedures, and/or the U.S. Center for SafeSport and/or USA Gymnastics policies and procedures.
- B. An athlete who is removed from the Team pursuant to this provision has the right to a hearing per the [USA Gymnastics Bylaws](#) (Article 10).

V. REPLACEMENT OF ATHLETES

- A. Selection and approval process for determining replacement athlete(s) should a vacancy occur:
1. The replacement athlete in the gender where the vacancy occurred will fill the vacancy and a new replacement may be named using the process outlined in II.C. Depending on the timing of replacement and event registration deadlines, new replacement athletes may not be named or may be designated as non-traveling.
- B. Committees responsible for making athlete replacement determinations:
1. See III.E.

VI. COACH SELECTION

- A. The coaches for the 2022 World Games team will be selected from among the National Team Coordinators, the personal coaches of the team members, and other experienced coaches.
1. The Selection Committees will name the 2022 World Games coaches following the determination of the 2022 World Games team at the conclusion of the 2022 USA Gymnastics Championships, based on the number of available credentials and the needs of the team.
 2. Criteria to be considered in selecting the 2022 World Games coaches include (not listed in order of importance):
 - USA Gymnastics Competitive Coach member in good standing
 - International experience
 - Proven leadership ability
 - Rapport with athletes
 - Technical knowledge
 - National Team Coordinator or personal coach of an athlete named to the 2022 World Games team.
 - Available to attend the 2022 Rimini World Cup, if selected.
 - Compliance with the USA Gymnastics Safe Sport Policy, Code of Ethical Conduct and Trampoline & Tumbling Program Manual.
- B. Removal of Coach
1. A coach who is to be selected to the 2022 World Games team by USA Gymnastics may be removed for any of the following reasons, as determined by USA Gymnastics:

- Voluntary withdrawal. Coach must submit a written letter to USA Gymnastics Program Director.
 - Injury or illness which inhibits the ability to perform coaching duties as certified by a physician (or medical staff) approved by USA Gymnastics. If a coach refuses verification of their injury or illness by a physician (or medical staff) approved by USA Gymnastics, his/her injury or illness will be assumed to be disabling and he/she may be removed.
 - Failure to participate in mandatory training and/or competition as defined in these procedures.
 - Violation of USA Gymnastics [Code of Ethical Conduct](#), and National Team Agreement policies and procedures.
 - Violation of the U.S. Center for SafeSport and/or USA Gymnastics policies and procedures.
 - Should an athlete be removed from the team pursuant to IV., the personal coach of that athlete may also be removed. Factors that may be taken into consideration when evaluating removal include timing of the removal, availability of credentials, status of a replacement athlete, and the needs of the team.
 - If the individual becomes ineligible for leadership.
2. Any decision to remove a coach may be reviewed through [USA Gymnastics Grievance Procedures](#).

VII. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- A. USA Gymnastics will retain the approved Selection Procedures and all supporting documents, including scouting or evaluation forms, etc., and data from the selection process for six (6) months past the date of the 2022 World Games.

VIII. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- A. The following documents are required to be adhered to/signed by an athlete as a condition of selection to the 2022 World Championships and can be found on the USA Gymnastics website:
- [USA Gymnastics Safe Sport Policy](#)
 - [USA Gymnastics Code of Ethical Conduct](#)
 - [National Team Agreement](#)

IX. PUBLICITY/DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEDURES

- A. The USA Gymnastics approved selection procedures (complete and unaltered) will be posted/published by USA Gymnastics in the following locations:

- [USA Gymnastics website](#)
- Direct email distribution to age-eligible national team members (including parents of minors) and their personal coaches.

X. DATE OF NOMINATION

- A. The selection of athletes including replacements, will be announced on or before:
1. May 2, 2022

XI. MANDATORY TRAINING AND/OR COMPETITION

- A. Specify the location, schedule, and duration of mandatory training and/or competition:
1. 2022 FIG World Cup – May 27-28, Rimini, ITA.
 2. 2022 World Games – July 7-17, Birmingham, Alabama, USA.

XII. ANTI-DOPING REQUIREMENTS

- A. Athletes must adhere to all WADA, FIG, USADA and USOPC anti-doping protocols, policies, and procedures, as applicable. This includes participation in Out-of-Competition Testing as required by the WADA, FIG, USADA and USOPC Rules, as applicable.

XIII. DEVELOPMENT OF SELECTION PROCEDURES

- A. The following committees were responsible for creating these Selection Procedures:

Trampoline & Tumbling Program Committee Trampoline & Tumbling Elite Committee	
T&T Program Director	Jacqui Godfrey
T&T Program Committee Chair	Patti Conner
T&T Elite Committees Chair	Recused
T&T Technical Committees Chair	Deanna Hanford
T&T Development Committees Chair	Recused
T&T Athlete Selection Representative	Michael Devine
T&T Elite Committee Trampoline Representative	Recused
T&T Elite Committee Tumbling Representative	Recused
T&T Elite Committee DMT Representative	Recused

XIV. NGB BYLAWS AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES




- A. The USA Gymnastics Bylaws and Grievance Procedures can be found on the [USA Gymnastics website](#).

XV. INTERNATIONAL DISCLAIMER

- A. These procedures are based on FIG rules and regulations as presently known and understood. Any change in the selection procedures caused by a change in FIG rules and regulations will be distributed to the affected athletes immediately. The selection criteria are based on the latest information available to USA Gymnastics. However, the selections are always subject to unforeseen, intervening circumstances, and realistically may not have accounted for every possible contingency.
- B. If any force of nature, or force majeure, should cause the alteration or cancellation of any of the Tryout Events listed in this document, these selection procedures will be revised by the USA Gymnastics Program Director.

XV. SIGNATURES

I certify that I have read and approved the Athlete Selection Procedures for the 2022 World Games:

Position	Print Name	Signature	Date
USA Gymnastics President and CEO	Li Li Leung		Jan 6, 2022
T&T Program Director	Jacqui Godfrey		Jan 6, 2022
Athlete Representative	Michael Devine	 <small>Michael Devine (Jan 6, 2022 16:33 EST)</small>	Jan 6, 2022

Each athlete and coach participating in the process for selecting the 2022 World Games team as outlined in these selection procedures has carefully reviewed, understands and agrees to the terms of the selection procedures. That understanding and agreement is reflected by the signature of the athlete and coach below.

Athlete

Date

Parent (if athlete is under 18 years of age)

Date

Coach











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