



Format and Entry Procedure for the 2014 Winter Cup Challenge

Competition Format for the 2014 Winter Cup Challenge

February 20, 2014: Preliminary Competition

- The competition will be comprised of approximately 96 athletes who meet the criteria listed in the Qualification and Entry Procedures outlined in this document.
- The field of 96 participants will be divided into two competitive sessions of approximately 48 athletes each.
- Programs will be drawn into either the first or second session. Programs with more than eight athletes will automatically be drawn into two different sessions. Coaches from programs in this situation would be given the option of how to group their athletes (for example 8 athletes in two groups of 4, etc.) prior to the draw.

February 22: Finals Competition

- The top 24 athletes rank order from the preliminary competition All-Around results as well as the top 18 rank order athletes (not included in the 24 All-Around athletes) from the MPC approved Points Program will advance to the Finals Competition for a field of 42 athletes. The points program will be published a minimum of 45 days prior to the start of the Winter Cup Challenge.
- The top 3 athletes on each event (including ties) in Preliminary competition will advance to the Finals Competition. Athletes who advance to the Finals session based on the top three individual event qualifications may only compete on the events(s) in which they qualified.

Qualification to the Winter Cup Challenge

- All participants at the 2014 Winter Cup Challenge must be United States citizens.
- All current Senior National Team members will be invited to participate in the 2014 Winter Cup Challenge.
- All participants at the 2014 P&G Gymnastics Championships (both Senior and Junior Divisions) will be invited to participate in the 2014 Winter Cup Challenge.
- The remaining athletes will be invited to participate in the 2014 Winter Cup Challenge based on their best one-meet scores from the following events:
 - a. 2013 Winter Cup Challenge Finals Session (WC),
 - b. 2013 USA Gymnastics Collegiate Championships (CC) All-Around final results (for AA only) or Individual Events final results,
 - c. the 2013 NCAA Championships (NCAA) All-Around final results (for AA only) or Individual Events final results or
 - d. the 2013 National Qualifier (NQ) as follows:
- The score ranking generated from the events listed above will be used to invite the following to participate at the 2014 Winter Cup Challenge
 - Top six All-Around athletes based on rank order
 - Top two athletes on each event based on rank order
- The list of invited athletes to the 2014 Winter Cup Challenge appears at the end of this document.
- **Petitions** – Athletes who were injured or, due to an unusual circumstance, were not able to participate in any of the four events used for qualification ranking will have the opportunity to petition by submitting previous scores from those events (or past U.S. Championships) that show them to be highly competitive in the field. In addition, age eligible Youth Olympic Games (YOG) athletes who did not participate at the 2014 P&G Gymnastics Championships may petition. YOG eligible athletes must show through past scores that they will be highly competitive to be selected as the athlete representing the United States at the YOG. **The USA Gymnastics Men's Program**

Director, must receive all petitions no later than November 15, 2013, in order to be considered. Approved petitions will count against the field of 96 qualified athletes except in the case of athletes who successfully petition into the Winter Cup Challenge as YOG athletes.

2014 Winter Cup Entry Procedure

- Registration for the 2014 Winter Cup will begin November 15, 2013 for all invited athletes and approved petitions.
- No entry forms will be accepted unless completely filled out and with payment
- The entry form can be found at: http://usagym.org/pages/men/events/program_events.html
- Entry for all qualified athletes and approved petitions will end December 6, 2013. **No entries of invited athletes will be accepted after December 6.**
- A list of alternate athletes will be maintained and any open positions after the December 6 deadline or any subsequent openings due to an athlete who withdraws from the Winter Cup Challenge will be replaced from the list of alternates according to the following:
 - All-around athletes will only be replaced from the list of top 10 all-around alternates
 - Individual event athletes will only be replaced from the list of top four (4) individual alternates
- Replacement will continue up to 7 days prior to the start of competition.
- Entry fees are non-refundable with the exception of athletes who withdraw prior to January 24, 2014.

Invited Athletes:

Only athletes who appear on the lists that follow on the next pages may enter the Winter Cup Challenge.

Senior National Team and 2013 P&G Gymnastics Championships Competitors

Senior Division

First Name	Last Name
Wyatt	Aycock
Donothan	Bailey
Chris	Brooks
Sam	Chamberlain
Robert	Courter
Jake	Dalton
Adrian	de los Angeles
Joshua	Dixon
Stacey	Ervin
Landon	Funiciello
Jonathan	Horton
Trevor	Howard
Steven	Jaciuk
Brian	Knott
Steven	Lacombe
Steven	Legendre
Danell	Leyva
Matthew	Loochtan
Ellis	Mannon

First Name	Last Name
Matthew	McGrath
Sean	Melton
Sam	Mikulak
Akash	Modi
Alexander	Naddour
Michael	Newburger
John	Orozco
Kanji	Oyama
Eddie	Penev
Mark	Ringle
Paul	Ruggeri III
Eric	Schryver
Sean	Senters
Michael	Squires
Luke	Stannard
Daniel	Steiner
Chris	Turner
Donnell	Whittenburg
Brandon	Wynn

Junior Division

First Name	Last Name
Bobby	Baker
Dmitri	Belanovski
Cameron	Bock
Andrew	Botto
Allan	Bower
Grant	Breckenridge
Tristan	Burke
Antonio	Castro
Emyre	Cole
Jacob	Dastrup
Jordan	DeClerk
Fabian	DeLuna
Alex	Diab
Dominic	DiFulvio
Chandler	Eggleston
Dylan	Ellsworth
Matt	Foster

First Name	Last Name
Lee	Grogan
Davis	Grooms
Quest	Hayden
Johnny	Jacobson
David	Jessen
Hunter	Justus
Marvin	Kimble
Andrew	McCabe
Anthony	McCallum
Christian	McSwain
Yul	Moldauer
Robert	Neff
Yaroslav	Pochinka
Alex	Powarzynski
Andrew	Rickly
Taylor	Seaton
Ryan	Sheppard

Junior Division - continued

First Name	Last Name
Jalon	Stephens
Christopher	Stephenson
Marty	Strech
Colin	Van Wicklen
Kiwan	Watts
Tanner	West
John Meyer	Williams
Drew	Willoughby
Alec	Yoder

Additional All-Around and Individual Event from Qualifying Competitions (as stated on page 1)

Note: Athletes on the list below may not be qualified to compete at the Winter Cup Challenge based on citizenship.

Event	Name	Score	Comp.
AA 1	Aronovich, Felix	86.90	NCAA
2	Robin, Alec	86.65	NCAA
3	Balboa, Javier	85.65	NCAA
4	Peters, Joey	84.75	NCAA
5	Gadaur, Alex	84.50	CC
6	Potemski, Daniel	84.35	CC

FX 1	Langenstein, Jeffrey	15.150	NQ
2	Barrus, Jacob	14.950	NQ

PH 1	Ekard, Ty	15.500	WC
2	Hernandez, Craig	15.000	NQ

Event	Name	Score	Comp.
SR 1	Rosenthal, Scott	15.400	NCAA
2	Stehl, Chris	15.375	NCAA

V 1	Hartville, Fred	15.425	NCAA
2	Robin, Alec	15.350	NCAA

PB 1	Caesar, Syque	15.450	NCAA
2	Liu, Jonathan	14.900	NCAA

HB 1	Hichwa, Paul	15.100	NQ
2	Gaudlip, Nicholas	15.000	CC

Please contact the Men's Program at USA Gymnastics if you have any questions.