USA Gymnastics
ATHLETE SELECTION PROCEDURES
2022 World Championships – Liverpool, England
Men’s Artistic Gymnastics
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DEFINITIONS

“FIG” or “IF” means International Gymnastics Federation

“SSC” means Senior Selection Committee

“USADA” means United States Anti-Doping Agency

“USAG” means USA Gymnastics

“USOPC” means Unites States Olympic and Paralympic Committee

“USOPTC” means Unites States Olympic and Paralympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, CO

“WADA” means World Anti-Doping Agency

1. SELECTION PROCEDURES

1.1 Provide the minimum eligibility requirements for an athlete to be considered for selection to the Team:

1.1.1 Nationality/Passport requirements:
   • Athlete must be a national of the United States at the time of nomination
   • Athlete must hold a valid U.S. passport that will not expire for six months after the conclusion of the World Championships

1.1.2 Minimum International Federation (IF) standards for participation (if any):
   • Athlete must be a minimum of 18 years of age by December 31, 2022
   • Athlete must hold a valid FIG Athlete License at the time of 2022 World Championships accreditation
   • Athlete must not have competed as a Junior athlete in a FIG sanctioned competition in 2022

1.1.3 Other requirements (if any):
   • Athlete must be a member in good standing with USA Gymnastics for all qualification events and the entirety of World Championships
• Any athlete age 18 or older will be required to undergo a background screen in accordance with the current USOPC Background Check Policy to participate in the World Championships Selection Camp at the USOPTC
• Any athlete age 18 or older will be required to remain current with USA Gymnastics Safe Sport Policy

1.2 Tryout Events:

1.2.1 Event names, dates and locations of all trials, competitions, and camps to be used as part of the selection process:
   a. 2022 U.S. Championships – August 18-21, 2022 in Tampa, FL
   b. 2022 World Championships Selection Camp – October 1-6, 2022 in Colorado Springs, CO

1.2.2 Describe how athletes qualify for the events listed in 1.2.1:
   a. Athletes may qualify to the senior session of the 2022 U.S. Championships through the following methods:
      o By being named to the Senior National Team (including Senior Development National Team) following 2022 Winter Cup
      o By being one of the top six (6) ranked athletes in the all-around at the 2022 NCAA Championships, provided that they have not already qualified to the U.S. Championships and they finish within the top 12 all-around
      o By being the all-around champion from the 2022 USAG Collegiate Championships and achieving an all-around D score of at least 29.0
      o By being one of the top six (6) ranked 18 or 19 year old Level 10 JE athletes in the all-around final results from 2022 Men’s Development National Championships
      o By qualifying from the 2022 U.S. Classic through the men’s 10-point program final results (with pre-qualified athletes removed from 10-point program final results)
      o By MPC approved petition
        ▪ Petitions are due to the MPC Chairman via email prior to completion of the final session at the 2022 U.S. Classic
        ▪ All submitted petitions must include the following:
        ▪ Petition Form located here: https://usagym.org/pages/home/pages/forms.html?#mens
        ▪ Medical report/letter by an examining physician subject to verification by USAG medical staff
        ▪ Athlete’s return to play plan/timeline
• Proof of medical clearance to participate subject to verification by USAG medical staff

b. A minimum of eight (8) athletes and a maximum of 12 athletes will be invited to the 2022 World Championships Selection Camp through the following methods:
  o Rank in the top two (2) places in the senior all-around competition at the 2022 U.S. Championships (combined Day 1 and Day 2)
  o A minimum of six (6) more athletes from within the top eight (8) team scoring scenarios will be invited to the World Championships Selection Camp using results from 2022 U.S. Championships (weighted 50% Day 1 and 50% Day 2). The criteria to be evaluated includes all Discretionary Criteria listed in Section 2.2.
  o Athletes who successfully petition to the World Championships Selection Camp through the process laid out in Section 1.4 will be added to the list of invited participants
  o All competition results used for invitation to the World Championships Selection Camp will include Senior D score bonus

1.3 Step-by-step description of the selection process for these Championships (include maximum Team size):

1.3.1 A maximum of six (6) athletes will be named to the 2022 World Championship Team, inclusive of one (1) traveling reserve athlete. Athletes will be named by the Senior Selection Committee (SSC) from among the athletes invited to the World Championships Selection Camp. The SSC will also identify two (2) non-traveling replacement athletes to the Worlds Team.

1.3.2 The Senior Selection Committee will name the 2022 Worlds Team members through the following method:
  a. The top ranked athlete in the senior all-around competition at the 2022 U.S. Championships (combined Day 1 and Day 2) will earn an automatic spot on the 2022 World Championship Team.
  b. The athlete who ranks second in the senior all-around competition at the 2022 U.S. Championships (combined Day 1 and Day 2) will also earn an automatic spot on the 2022 World Championship Team if they also finish ranked in the top three (3) places on at least two (2) individual events. Final individual event rankings are combined results from Day 1 and Day 2. If the second-place athlete does not achieve the additional criteria, then that spot on the Worlds Team will come from the World Championships Selection Camp via the process in 1.3.2.c.
c. The next three (3) or four (4) athletes will be determined by the team scoring scenarios (5-4-3 format) using results from U.S. Championships (weighted at 25% Day 1 and 25% Day 2) and World Team Selection Camp (weighted at 25% Day 1 and 25% Day 2) as well as all of the Discretionary Criteria as set forth in Section 2.2. Any athletes already named to the team will be factored into the team scoring scenarios using their U.S. Championships results (weighted 50% Day 1 and 50% Day 2).
   o D score bonus will not be included in results used for team scoring scenarios in 1.3.2.c.

d. Three (3) replacement athletes, including one (1) traveling reserve athlete, will be determined by the team scoring scenarios (5-4-3 format) using results from U.S. Championships (weighted at 25% Day 1 and 25% Day 2) and World Championships Selection Camp (weighted at 25% Day 1 and 25% Day 2) as well as all of the Discretionary Criteria as set forth in Section 2.2.
   o D score bonus will not be included in results used for team scoring scenarios in 1.3.2.d.

e. An athlete who has their petition accepted may replace one of the athletes listed in the team scoring scenarios as a World Team member or replacement athlete using the process outlined in Section 1.4.

1.3.3 The up to two (2) athletes who qualify to the 2022 World Championship Team directly from the 2022 U.S. Championships, will be assigned to the FIG World Challenge Cup in Paris, France on September 24-25. Those athletes must either accept that assignment or be a full participant in the Worlds Selection Camp as part of their preparation for the World Championships. Declining to participate in both the Paris Challenge Cup and the World Championships Selection Camp will result in removal from the 2022 World Championship Team.

1.3.4 If only one (1) or none of the athletes who qualified to the 2022 World Championship Team from the 2022 U.S. Championships accept the assignment to Paris, then at least one (1) and up to two (2) National Team athletes will be assigned to Paris. These athletes will not be from the pool of athletes invited to the World Championships Selection Camp.

1.4 Petition Procedures

Notwithstanding the process identified above, USA Gymnastics recognizes that extraordinary and unforeseen circumstances may occur which would cause an athlete otherwise deserving of a spot on the 2022 World Championships Team because of
their previous competition results to be unable to participate in one or more steps in the selection process.

1.4.1 Petition Rights: USA Gymnastics will allow athletes, with a specific injury, illness or unusual circumstance, which prohibits the athlete from participating in the competitive process, to petition USA Gymnastics for the right to:
   a. Be invited to the 2022 World Championships Selection Camp
   b. Petition directly on to the 2022 World Championship Team

1.4.2 Only athletes who meet the following criteria may submit a petition:
   a. They must be a current member of the Senior National Team at the time of selection (includes Senior Development National Team) and must meet all eligibility criteria for selection
   b. If an athlete is unable to complete at least one full day of competition at one of the selection events, then past results from domestic elite championships and FIG international events may be considered. A full day of competition will be defined as performing routines on a minimum of three events.

1.4.3 Petition Process
   a. Petitions to be invited to the 2022 World Championships Selection Camp must be submitted to the Senior Selection Committee via email prior to the conclusion of the Day 2 competition at the 2022 U.S. Championships
   b. Petitions to be selected to the 2022 World Championships Team must be submitted to the Senior Selection Committee prior to the conclusion of the World Championships Selection Camp
   c. To be considered, all petitions must include the following:
      o Petition form to be completed: https://usagym.org/pages/home/pages/forms.html#mens
      o Medical report/letter by an examining physician subject to verification by USAG medical staff
      o Athlete’s return to play plan/timeline
      o Proof of medical clearance to participate subject to verification by USAG medical staff
      o Estimated date for show of readiness (minimum of two weeks prior to departure for selection camp or World Championships)
   d. For petitions to the 2022 World Championships Selection Camp, the SSC will consider the discretionary criteria outlined in Section 2.2 using past competitive results from USAG elite domestic or FIG international events that show the athlete is highly competitive with other athletes invited to the World Championships Selection
Camp. Athletes who successfully petition to the 2022 World Championships Selection Camp will be added to the participant list.

e. For petitions directly on to the 2022 World Championship Team, the SSC will consider the Discretionary Criteria outlined in Section 2.2 using results from the designated selection events. This athlete will be required to show readiness at least two weeks prior to the team departure date. If timelines permit, this will include evaluation from the World Team Selection judging panels.
   o A show of readiness will require the athlete to perform their required routines with full difficulty at a level that is competitive with the other team members and supports their selection to the Worlds Team.

f. If an athlete is unable to complete a full day of competition at one of the selection events, then past results from domestic elite championships and FIG international events may be considered. A full day of competition will be defined as performing routines on a minimum of three events.

2. DISCRETIONARY SELECTION (if applicable)

2.1. Rationale for utilizing discretionary selection (if any):

The sport of gymnastics is a subjectively judged sport. The objective for the Men’s Team is to achieve the highest possible team score in order to place within the top three teams. Assessments must be performed in order to identify an athlete’s ability to contribute to the highest possible team score. Multiple factors will play a role when determining the best combination of athletes to achieve the stated objective.

2.2. Define the discretionary criteria to be used (if any):

Athletes who qualify through Discretionary Criteria to the 2022 World Championships Selection Camp or World Championship Team through the processes listed in Section 1.2.2 and 1.3.2 will be considered by the Senior Selection Committee using all of the factors outlined below:

- Placings within team scoring scenarios used for selection and scoring differential between those scenarios
- Contributions to the team score – number of events the athlete would contribute to and ability to be used in a team finals format
- Ability to make an individual final – the athlete has internationally competitive D, E and final scores that compare with finalists from previous FIG international events, including but not limited to the following:
   o World Championships
• FIG World Cups and Challenge Cups
• DTB Pokal
• Continental Championships
• Major Games (Olympic Games, Asian Games, Pan Am Games, World University Games, Commonwealth Games, etc.)

- International experience and consistency – the athlete has demonstrated performance in international competition that would prepare them for World Championships and has shown consistent performances from one event to the next without significant decrease in performance

2.3. Name of the committee that will be responsible for making discretionary selections, along with a complete list of the members’ titles:
The Men’s Senior Selection Committee will be made up of the following members:
- Nalani Cook - Senior Coach Representative
- Sam McArthur - Senior Coach Representative
- Akash Modi - Athlete Representative
- Alex Buscaglia - Athlete Representative
- Brett McClure - High Performance Director
- Jason Woodnick - Men’s Program Vice President (voice, no vote)
- TBD - Independent Observer (process voice, no vote)

2.3.1. Process that will be used to identify and handle any potential conflicts of interest involving a member of the committee:

All members of the Senior Selection Committee must comply with USA Gymnastics conflict of interest policy.

Any recused individual shall be replaced in accordance with the USAG Men’s Senior Selection Committee appointment process.

3. REMOVAL OF ATHLETES

3.1. Prior to entry by name to the FIG and Local Organizing Committee, USA Gymnastics has jurisdiction over potential nominees.

An athlete who is nominated to the Team by USA Gymnastics may be removed for any of the following reasons, as determined by USA Gymnastics:
3.1.1. Injury or illness which inhibits peak performance which shall be determined by an examining physician and verified by USA Gymnastics Medical Staff.

3.1.2. Failure to participate in Mandatory Training and/or Competition as defined in Section 10 of these procedures.


An athlete who is removed from the Team pursuant to this provision has the right to a hearing per USA Gymnastics Bylaws (Grievance Process) and the USOPC Bylaws, Section 9.

3.2. Voluntary withdrawal. Athlete must submit a written letter to the Chief Programs Officer and VP Men’s Program of USA Gymnastics.

3.3. Removal may only occur by action of the President of USA Gymnastics after consultation with the Chief Programs Officer, Vice President of Men’s Program, the High Performance Director, the Athlete Representative, and an interview with the athlete and his coach. An athlete who is removed from the team pursuant to this provision has the right to a hearing per USA Gymnastics grievance policy.

3.4. An athlete may be removed as a nominee to the Team or from the Team for an adjudicated violation of WADA, IF, USADA and/or USOPC anti-doping protocol, policies and procedures, as well as the U.S. Center for SafeSport Code, the USOPC Athlete Safety Policy and USA Gymnastics SafeSport policies, as applicable.

4. REPLACEMENT OF ATHLETES

4.1. Describe the selection and approval process for determining replacement athlete(s) should a vacancy occur:

4.1.1. Prior to submission of Entries by Name to the Local Organizing Committee, including any applicable group or committee:

The traveling reserve athlete will replace a previously nominated athlete on the team. The Senior Selection Committee will identify the new traveling reserve athlete using the same process listed in Section 1.3.2.d.

4.1.2. After submission of Entries by Name to the Local Organizing Committee, including any applicable group or committee:

The traveling reserve athlete will replace a previously nominated athlete on the team. The Senior Selection Committee will identify the new traveling reserve athlete using the same process listed in Section 1.3.2.d.
5. COACH SELECTION

5.1 The coaches for the 2022 World Championships Team must meet the following minimum criteria:

- Be a current professional member in good standing with USA Gymnastics.
- Must meet the Qualifications for Service outlined in the USA Gymnastics Leadership Eligibility and Service Policy.
- Be in good health and able to withstand the physical rigors of traveling with and working with the team.
- Be available for the entire duration of the competition, including any mandatory training as set forth in Section 10.
- Have thorough knowledge of FIG rules.

5.2 Coaches will be selected according to the number of credentials available to the team, and limited to one coach per athlete based on the following criteria:

- The coaches for the 2022 World Championships Team will be selected from among the personal coaches of the team members, after the final Team Selection based upon the following criteria:
  - Proven team leadership ability
  - Proven ability to communicate effectively to athletes, coaches and judges
- Ability to work with all team athletes and coaches throughout trainings and team meetings, creating team cohesion and trust
  - International experience
  - Professional membership in good standing
  - Attendance at required trainings and meetings

5.3 Removal of Coach

5.3.1 A coach who is selected to the team by USA Gymnastics may be removed for any of the following reasons, as determined by USA Gymnastics:

- Voluntary withdrawal. The Coach must submit a written letter to the Chief Programs Officer of USA Gymnastics and the VP of the Men’s Program.
- Injury or illness which inhibits the ability to perform coaching duties which shall be determined by an examining physician and verified by USA Gymnastics Medical Staff.
- Violation of the USA Gymnastics’ Safe Sport Policy, Code of
Ethical Conduct or Men’s Program Manual.

- The coach no longer meets the criteria in 5.1 or 5.2. (i.e., may no longer be a personal coach of an athlete named to the team due to an athlete’s removal from the team).
- A coach shall automatically be removed if they become ineligible for leadership pursuant to the USA Gymnastics Leadership Eligibility and Service Policy.
- If an athlete is removed from the team pursuant to Section 3, the personal coach of that athlete may also be removed. Factors that may be taken into consideration when evaluating removal may include timing of the removal, availability of credentials, status of a replacement athlete, or best interests of the team.

5.3.2. A coach may appeal their removal through USA Gymnastics’ Grievance Policy.

6. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

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 months past the date of the World Championships.

A World Team Selection Committee Report, outlining the work and decisions of the ASC, along with the minutes from the Senior Selection Committee meetings, will be produced for distribution to all athletes and coaches who participated in the selection events within a reasonable amount of time after the conclusion of the 2022 World Team Selection Camp. The report will be made public on the USA Gymnastics website and will be signed off on by the Independent Observer approved by the Board of Directors. USA Gymnastics retains the sole discretion to determine the contents and timing of the report.

7. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

The following documents are required to be reviewed and signed (if applicable) by an athlete as a condition of nomination to 2022 World Championships Team:

- National Team Agreement
8. PUBLICITY/DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEDURES

The USOPC approved Selection Procedures (complete and unaltered) will be posted/published by USA Gymnastics in the following public location(s):

USAG Website: https://usagym.org/pages/men/pages/selection_procedures.html

9. DATE OF NOMINATION

Nomination of athletes, including reserve athletes, will be announced to all athletes and submitted no more than five (5) days following the conclusion of the 2022 World Championships Selection Camp. USAG may be required to submit a nominative registration to FIG prior to the announcement of the team. This registration is non-binding and may be amended following the team announcement.

10. MANDATORY TRAINING AND/OR COMPETITION

- World Championships Selection Camp, Colorado Springs – October 1-6, 2022
  - Exception: The two (2) athletes who qualify to the 2022 World Championship Team directly from the 2022 U.S. Championships will be assigned to the Paris World Challenge Cup. These two athletes must participate in either the Paris World Challenge Cup or the World Championship Selection Camp per Section 1.3.3.
- World Championships Team Training Camp, Cheshire Gymnastics – October 23-26
- World Championships, Liverpool, England – October 26 - November 6, 2022

11. ANTI-DOPING REQUIREMENTS

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

12. DEVELOPMENT OF SELECTION PROCEDURES

The following committee/group (include names and titles) was responsible for creating these Selection Procedures:
Men's Program Committee

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These procedures have been circulated to all Senior National Team athletes and coaches for a period of review and feedback prior to being finalized.

11. NGB/PSO BYLAWS AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

The USA Gymnastics Bylaws and Grievance Procedures can be found at: [https://usagym.org/pages/aboutus/pages/governance.html](https://usagym.org/pages/aboutus/pages/governance.html)

12. INTERNATIONAL DISCLAIMER

These procedures are based on IOC, IPC, Panam Sports, FIG, APC, as applicable, and/or USA Gymnastics rules and regulations as presently known and understood. Any change in the selection procedures caused by a change in IOC, IPC, Panam Sports, APC, as applicable, and/or 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.

If any force of nature, or force majeure, should cause the alteration or cancellation of any of the selection events listed in this document, these selection procedures may require revisions, pursuant to their resubmission to the USOPC.

13. ATHLETE OMBUDS OFFICE
The Athlete Ombuds Office provides cost-free, independent and confidential advice regarding athlete rights, grievance procedures and any other related guidance pertaining to selection procedures and can assist in mediating disputes between athletes and their NGB/PSO.

To contact the Athlete Ombuds Office:
   PHONE: (719) 866-5000
   EMAIL: ombudsman@usathlete.org
   WEBSITE: www.usathlete.org

14. SIGNATURES

I certify that I have read and understand the standards/criteria set by FIG and incorporated those standards/criteria into our Selection Procedures. I further certify that the information provided herein regarding Athlete Selection Procedures represents the method approved by USA Gymnastics.

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