

USA GYMNASTICS  
ATHLETE & COACH SELECTION PROCEDURES  
2017 WORLD GAMES – Wroclaw, Poland  
Tumbling, Double Mini Trampoline & Synchronized Trampoline  
**Amended 2-20-2017**

I. SELECTION SYSTEM

A. Provide the minimum eligibility requirements for an athlete to be considered for nomination to the team:

1. Citizenship:

➤ Athlete must be a citizen of the United States at the start of the 2017 Winter Classic and at the time of selection and hold a current U.S. Passport valid through 5/9/2018.

2. Minimum International Federation standards for participation (if any):

➤ Athlete must be a minimum of 17 years of age by December 31, 2017.

➤ Hold a valid FIG Athlete License at the time of the 2017 World Games accreditation.

3. Other requirements (if any):

➤ Athlete must be a member in good standing of USA Gymnastics.

➤ Athletes must meet the Senior Elite mobility requirements to compete as a senior elite athlete. Senior Elite Mobility requirements are posted at: USA Gymnastics Trampoline and Tumbling, Rules and Policies – Section VI: Elite Program Part C. ([click here](#))

B. Tryout Events:

1. Provide the event names, dates and location of all trials, events and camps to be used as part of the selection process.

➤ Winter Classic, February 24-26, 2017, Battle Creek, Michigan.

➤ Elite Challenge, May 18-21, 2017, Colorado Springs, CO.

➤ USA Gymnastics Championships, June 25 - July 2, 2017, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

2. Provide event names, dates, locations and description of how athletes qualify for any “preliminary or qualifying” events or procedures that are prerequisites to attend any of the trials, events or camps listed above in 1. B
  - To qualify to compete at the 2017 Winter Classic and 2017 U.S. Elite Challenge athletes must meet mobility requirements as a senior elite (see I.A.3)
  - To compete at the 2017 USA Gymnastics Championships athletes must meet qualification requirements as stated in the 2017 Trampoline & Tumbling Rules & Policies (Sec. II, found [here](#))

- C. Provide a comprehensive, step-by-step description of the method that explains how athletes will go through the selection process to become team members (including maximum team size).

The 2017 World Games Team will be comprised of a maximum of one female and one male in the discipline of Double-Mini, one female and one male athlete in the discipline of Tumbling and one women’s pair and one men’s pair for Synchronized Trampoline. The process for selection to the 2017 World Games Team is a combination of bonus points from the 2017 Winter Classic, the 2017 U.S. Elite Challenge, and the 2017 USA Gymnastics Championships added to the total score from the 2017 USA Gymnastics.

1. 2017 World Games Selection Bonus Points

2017 World Games Selection Bonus Points may be earned based on the athlete’s finish at the 2017 Winter Classic, the 2017 Elite Challenge and the 2017 USA Gymnastics Championships.

2. 2017 World Games Selection Bonus Points Charts:

**SYNCHRONIZED TRAMPOLINE – With Horizontal Displacement:**

TRA	Winter Classic			Elite Challenge			USA Gymnastics Championships		
	Points	Female Scores	Male Scores	Points	Female Scores	Male Scores	Points	Female Scores	Male Scores
1 <sup>st</sup>	1.5	85.1 DD: 16.0	88.0 DD: 19.0	3.0	131.5	136.5	4.0	131.5	136.5
2 <sup>nd</sup>	1			2.0	DD:	DD:	3.0	DD:	DD:
3 <sup>rd</sup>	0.5			1.0	13.0: in routine 2&3.	15.0: in routine 2&3.	2.0	13.0: in routine 2&3.	15.0: in routine 2&3.

**SYNCHRONIZED TRAMPOLINE – Without Horizontal Displacement:**

	Winter Classic			Elite Challenge			USA Gymnastics Championships		
	Points	Female Scores	Male Scores	Points	Female Scores	Male Scores	Points	Female Scores	Male Scores
1 <sup>st</sup>	1.5	82.0 DD: 16.0	85.8 DD: 19.0	3.0	126.8	133.0	4.0	126.8	133.0
2 <sup>nd</sup>	1			2.0	DD:	DD:	3.0	DD:	DD:
3 <sup>rd</sup>	0.5			1.0	13.0: in routine 2 & 3.	15.0: in routine 2 & 3.	2.0	13.0: in routine 2&3.	15.0: in routine 2&3.

**TUMBLING:**

TU	Winter Classic			Elite Challenge			USA Gymnastics Championships		
	Points	Female Scores	Male Scores	Points	Female Scores	Male Scores	Points	Female Scores	Male Scores
1 <sup>st</sup>	1.5	63.0	68.0	3.0	126.0	136.0	4.0	126.0	136.0
2 <sup>nd</sup>	1			2.0			3.0		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	0.5			1.0			2.0		

**DOUBLE MINI:**

DMT	Winter Classic			Elite Challenge			USA Gymnastics Championships		
	Points	Female Scores	Male Scores	Points	Female Scores	Male Scores	Points	Female Scores	Male Scores
1 <sup>st</sup>	1.5	69.0	72.5	3.0	138.0	145.0	4.0	138.0	145.0
2 <sup>nd</sup>	1			2.0			3.0		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	0.5			1.0			2.0		

3. Stipulations for Bonus Points

- a. Athletes must finish in the top 3 and hit the minimum target scores to receive bonus points.
- b. Synchronized trampoline scores listed (chart I.C.2) are for both horizontal displacement judged routines and routines judged as per 2016 rules without horizontal displacement. Judging system used will be contingent upon available equipment at time of meet.
- c. Synchronized trampoline pairs must also achieve the minimum difficulty to receive bonus points.
- d. 2017 Winter Classic scores and difficulty are combined from routines 1 and 2 of the preliminary round.
- e. 2017 Elite Challenge and USA Gymnastics Championships are combined scores from the preliminary and final rounds. The minimum difficulty score for synchronized trampoline must be achieved in both the preliminary (routine 2) and final (routine 3).
- f. Points accumulated for synchronized trampoline are for the pair not the individual, points are non-transferable should the pair dissolve and an individual moves to another pair.

4. 2017 World Games selection bonus points earned will be added to the total score achieved at the 2017 USA Gymnastics

Championships and the Tumbling, Double Mini Trampoline, and Synchronized Trampoline (pair) athletes with the highest scores from each gender/discipline will be named to the 2017 World Games team.

D. Tie Breaking Procedure will be used for all competitions

1. Ties WILL be broken in following cases.

- The tie breaking procedure will be used in preliminary rounds to determine which athletes or synchronized trampoline pair will advance to the final round.
- In finals, ties will be broken only for the purpose of assigning 2017 World Games Team Selection Bonus points by rank order.

2. Ties in Preliminary Qualification Rounds:

In the event of a tie in the qualification round, the tie will be broken in the following prioritized manner for each discipline:

Synchronized Trampoline

- The synchronized pair with the higher sum of the execution (E) scores of both routines prevails.
- If still tied, the synchronized pair with the higher sum of the synchronized (S) scores of both routines prevails.
- If still tied, the tie will not be broken and the tied synchronized trampoline pairs will advance to the final round.

Double Mini Trampoline & Tumbling

- The gymnast with the higher sum of the execution (E) scores of both passes prevails.
- If still tied, the gymnast with the higher execution (E) score of the second pass prevails.
- If still tied, the tie will not be broken and tied gymnasts will advance to the final round.

3. Ties in the Final Round

In the event of a tie of highest total score (who met the minimum score requirement) after the final round, the tie will be broken in the following prioritized manner for each discipline:

#### Synchronized Trampoline

- The synchronized pair with the higher sum of the execution (E) scores of final routines prevails.
- If still tied, the synchronized pair with the higher synchronized (S) scores of the final routine prevails.
- If still tied, the synchronized trampoline pairs in the tie will compete an additional optional routine to break the tie following the final round at the 2017 Winter Classic, the 2017 Elite Challenge, or the 2017 USA Gymnastics Championships.

#### Double Mini Trampoline and Tumbling

- The gymnast with the higher sum of the execution (E) scores of both final passes prevails.
- If still tied, the gymnast with the higher execution (E) score of the final pass (pass 4) prevails.
- If still tied, the gymnast with the higher E Score of all four (qualification and final) passes prevails.

4. Ties will NOT be broken for awards placement, i.e., if two (or more) gymnasts or synchronized trampoline pairs achieve identical scores in finals, they will remain tied for the purposes of published results and the awarding of medals.

#### E. Petition Procedures

Notwithstanding the process identified in the preceding sections of these Selection Procedures, USA Gymnastics recognizes that extraordinary and unforeseen circumstances may occur which would cause an athlete otherwise deserving of a spot on the 2017 World Games Team because of his/her previous competition results to be unable to participate in one or more steps in that process.

1. Procedures for petitioning into the 2017 USA Gymnastics Championships are listed in the Trampoline and Tumbling Rules and Policies. Section VI.B.1-6 [\[click here\]](#)
2. Athletes may not petition directly to the 2017 World Games Team.

F. Selection Committee Members

Names of Selection Committee Members and Titles

High Performance Director	Catherine Cabral-Marotta	Selection Committee Chair Voice, no vote
Program Director	Dr. George Drew	
Elite Committee Chair	Scott Lineberry	
Elite DMT/TU Coaches' representative	TBD, election 6/28/17	TU/DMT selection only
Elite Trampoline Coaches representative	TBD, election 6/28/17	TRA selection only
National Trampoline Head Coach	Nuno Merino	TRA selection only
National Tumbling Head Coach	Sergio Galvez	TU selection only
National DMT Head Coach	Austin White	DMT selection only
Athlete representative	Austin White	

1. The Selection Committee is five-member voting body.
2. Conflict of Interest
  - a. In the event that a Selection Committee member is currently affiliated with any athlete in consideration for the 2017 World Games Team, that committee member must recuse himself or herself from the immediate vote in question (specific to each gender/discipline) and the Chair of the Selection Committee will cast a vote for that specific selection.
  - b. If more than one member must recuse himself or herself from the immediate vote, the Chair of the Selection Committee will cast a vote for that specific selection and the Chair of the Program Committee will name the additional replacement member(s) as needed.
  - c. If a committee member is unable to fulfill the obligations of the Selection Committee or continue for any reason, the

Chair of the Program Committee will name his/her replacement.

## II. REMOVAL OF ATHLETES

- A. An athlete 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. Athlete must submit a written letter to the President of USA Gymnastics.
  - Injury or illness, **which inhibits peak performance** as certified by an approved USA Gymnastics physician (or medical staff). If an athlete refuses verification of her illness or injury by an approved USA Gymnastics physician (or medical staff), his/her injury will be assumed to be disabling and he/she may be removed.
  - Violation of the USA Gymnastics' Code of Ethical Conduct, National Team Agreement or the Trampoline & Tumbling Responsibility Manual, which can be found online at [http://usagym.org/pages/tt/pages/selection\\_procedures.html](http://usagym.org/pages/tt/pages/selection_procedures.html).
  - Inability to follow the training plans and show competition readiness for the 2017 World Games.
  - Removal may only occur by action of the President of USA Gymnastics after consultation with the Dr. George Drew and the Athlete Representative, and an interview with the athlete and his/her coach. Any decision to remove an athlete or coach may be reviewed through the USA Gymnastics Grievance Procedures. An athlete who may be removed from the team pursuant to this provision has the right to a hearing per USA Gymnastics Bylaws [Article 10].
- B. An athlete may be removed from the team at any time for violation of WADA, IF, USADA and/or USOC anti-doping protocol, policies and procedures, as applicable. In such instances, the adjudication process will be managed through the United States Anti-Doping Agency.

## III. REPLACEMENT OF ATHLETES



- A. Describe the process by which the replacement pool or athletes will be identified:

Replacement athletes will be identified as the next athletes in rank order per I.C.2.

#### IV. COACH SELECTION

- A. The Coaches for the 2017 World Games Team will be selected (from among the personal coaches of the team members), based upon the following criteria:

1. Based on the number of credentials available to the team, coaches will be selected as follows:

- Synchronized Trampoline: One head coach
- Tumbling: One head coach.
- Double Mini-Trampoline: One head coach.

2. Criteria to be considered in selecting the 2017 World Games coaches include:

- USA Gymnastics Professional Member in good standing
- International experience
- Proven leadership ability
- Rapport with athletes
- Personal coach of an athlete named to the 2017 World Games team.
- Technical knowledge
- Must be able to attend the 2017 World Games, and other required meetings.
- Compliance with the USA Gymnastics Code of Ethical Conduct and Trampoline and Tumbling Responsibilities Manual

3. Identify the group or committee that will be responsible for selection of the World Games coaches:

- The Selection Committee will name the 2017 World Games coaches following the determination of the 2017 World Games team at the conclusion of the 2017 USA Gymnastics Championships.

- B. Removal of Coach

- Voluntary withdrawal. Coach must submit a written letter to the President of USA Gymnastics.
- Violation of the USA Gymnastics Code of Ethical Conduct or Trampoline & Tumbling Responsibilities Manual. To view online [click here](#).

- Any decision to remove a coach may be reviewed through USA Gymnastics Grievance Procedures per the USA Gymnastics Bylaws (Article 10).

## V. 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 conclusion of the 2017 World Games.

## VI. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

The following documents are required to be signed by an athlete as a condition of nomination to 2017 World Games team and can be found online [here](#).

USA Gymnastics Code of Ethical Conduct

National Team Agreement

Trampoline & Tumbling Responsibility Manual

## VII. PUBLICITY/DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEDURES

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

USA Gymnastics Web site: [www.usagym.org](http://www.usagym.org)

Directly distributed to the age eligible National Team Members.

## VIII. DATE OF NOMINATION

The 2017 World Games team will be announced July 2, 2017.

1. Due to the fact that the 2017 World Games FIG nominative entry is due before the announcement of the 2017 World Games team, the athlete(s) and synchronized pair with the highest total bonus points at the time of the FIG nominative entry will be listed on the entry form. This form is NOT the final athlete entry form will be updated after the official team is named on July 2, 2017.

**IX. MANDATORY TRAINING AND/OR COMPETITION**

Specify the location, schedule, and duration of mandatory training and/or competition: No training camps are scheduled at this time.

**X. ANTI-DOPING REQUIREMENTS**

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

**XI. DEVELOPMENT OF SELECTION PROCEDURES**

The following committee/group (include names and titles) was responsible for creating these Selection Procedures:

Trampoline and Tumbling Elite Committee	
T&T Program Director	Dr. George R. Drew
T&T Elite Chair	Scott Lineberry
T&T Trampoline Coach Representative	Dmitri Poliaroush
T&T DM/TU Coach Representative	Sergio Galvez
T&T Athlete Representative	Austin White

**XII. USA GYMNASTICS BYLAWS AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES**

The USA Gymnastics Bylaws and Grievance Procedures can be found at:



[www.usagym.org](http://www.usagym.org)

**XIII. INTERNATIONAL DISCLAIMER**

These procedures are based on IOC and/or FIG rules and regulations as presently known and understood. Any change in the selection procedures caused by a change in IOC 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 will be revised, pursuant to their resubmission to the president of USA Gymnastics.

**XIV. SIGNATURES**

I certify that I have read and approved the Athlete Selection Procedures for the 2017 World Games Team.

Position	Print Name	Signature	Date
USA Gymnastics President	Steve Penny		2/1/17
Trampoline & Tumbling Program Director	George Drew		2/1/17
Athlete Representative	Austin White	Per email	2/1/17

Each athlete and coach participating in the process for selecting the 2017 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.

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Athlete

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Date

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Parent (if athlete is under 18 years of age)

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Date

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Coach

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Date