

**USA GYMNASTICS  
ATHLETE & COACH ASSIGNMENT PROCEDURES  
2020 INDO PACIFIC CHAMPIONSHIPS  
TRAMPOLINE & TUMBLING  
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\* 1/21/20: New information received from Gymnastics Canada regarding updated divisions for 2020 Indo Pacific Championships.

**I. SELECTION SYSTEM**

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

1. Citizenship
  - 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)
  - Athlete must be **at least** 13 years of age at December 31, 2020.
  - Athlete must hold a valid FIG Athlete License at the time of event accreditation.
3. Other requirements (if any)
  - Athlete must compete as Youth Elite 13-14, Junior Elite, Open Elite or Senior Elite at time of selection events noted in I.B.1.:
  - 13-14 years of age: Youth Elite
  - 15-16 years of age: Junior Elite
  - **Senior and Open divisions: Senior Elite, Open Elite**
  - Athlete must be a member in good standing of USA Gymnastics.
  - Any athlete age 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.
  - 2020 VIP Classic – February 28-March 1, Evansville, IN.
  - 2020 Elite Challenge – April 2-5, location TBD
  - 2020 USA Gymnastics Championships – June 18-23, Saint Louis, MO

Additional information regarding the final competition dates, competition schedule and the competition format will be published on the [USA Gymnastics website](#) prior to the start of each of the Tryout Events.

2. Event names, dates, locations and description of how athletes qualify for any Tryout Events, or procedures that are prerequisites to attend any of the Tryout Events.
    - To qualify to compete at the Tryout Events, athletes must meet mobility requirements as a Youth Elite 13-14, Junior Elite, Open Elite or Senior Elite as stated in the 2020 [T&T Rules & Policies](#) (Sec. VI).
- C. Comprehensive, step-by-step description of how athletes will go through the selection process (including maximum team size)

1. Maximum team size
  - Up to four (4) males and four (4) females plus one non-traveling alternate in each gender, in the disciplines of Individual Trampoline, Tumbling, and Double-Mini and the divisions 13-14, 15-16, **Open and Senior** will be selected for the 2020 Indo-Pacific Championships team.

2. Definitions
  - a. Preliminary Score: The Preliminary Score is the sum of Routine 1 and Routine 2 from the preliminary round at a single Selection Event.
  - b. Combined Preliminary Score: The Combined Preliminary Score is the sum of the highest two (2) Preliminary Scores from the three (3) Selection Events.
  - c. Total Score: The Total Score is the sum of all three (3) routines (TRA) or all four (4) routines (TUM, DMT) at a single Selection Event.
  - d. Combined Total Score: The Combined Total Score is the sum of the highest two (2) Total Scores from the three (3) Selection Events.
  - e. Qualification Minimum Score: The Qualification Minimum Score is the sum of Routine 1 and Routine 2 from the preliminary round at a single Selection Event. The Qualification Minimum Scores are:

<b>U.S. Division</b>	<b>Trampoline</b>	<b>Tumbling</b>	<b>Double-mini</b>
YE 13-14 Girls	90.000	60.000	63.500
YE 13-14 Boys	91.500	60.000	66.500
Junior Elite Girls	92.500	61.000	65.500
Junior Elite Boys	93.000	62.500	68.500
Open Elite Women	92.000	61.000	67.500
Open Elite Men	93.500	62.500	70.500
Senior Elite Women	94.000	62.000	67.500
Senior Elite Men	98.000	65.000	70.500

3. Process for selection

- The Indo-Pacific Championships Senior team will be selected first from eligible athletes, then the Indo-Pacific Championships Open team will be selected from the remaining eligible athletes.
  - For the Senior division, Senior Elite athletes meeting the Qualification Minimum Score will be selected before Open Elite athletes.
  - For the Open division, athletes meeting the Qualification Minimum Score will be selected in the following order of priority:
    - Senior Elites aged 17-21
    - Senior Elites aged over 21
    - Open Elites aged 17-21
    - Open Elites aged over 21
  - Preliminary Scores used to make up a Combined Score must all have been achieved within the same division (Youth Elite, Junior Elite, Open Elite or Senior Elite).
- a. Up to two (2) athletes with the highest Combined Preliminary Score at the conclusion of the three (3) Selection Events (clause I.B.1.) will be selected for the 2020 Indo-Pacific Championships team, provided they have met the Qualification Minimum Score requirement at least once in the selection process.
- b. In addition to athletes who earn a spot on the 2020 Indo-Pacific Championships team (per I.C.3.a.), up to one (1) athlete with the highest Combined Total Score at the conclusion of the three (3) Selection Events (clause I.B.1) will be selected for the 2020 Indo-Pacific Championships team, provided they have met the Qualification Minimum Score requirement at least once in the selection process.
- c. In addition to athletes who earn a spot on the 2020 Indo-Pacific Championships team (per I.C.3.a-b.), the Selection Committee, using the discretionary selection criteria in II., may add athletes (up to the maximum team size of four (4) from among:
- Athletes with the next highest Combined Total Score provided they have met the Qualification Minimum Score requirement at least once in the selection process
  - Petitioners, as outlined in I.D.
- d. In addition to athletes who earn a spot on the 2020 Indo-Pacific Championships team (per I.C.3.a-c.), the selection committee, using the discretionary selection criteria in II., may add an alternate from among:
- Athletes with the next highest Combined Preliminary Score provided they have met the Qualification Minimum Score requirement at least once in the selection process.
  - Petitioners, as outlined in I.D.
- e. Men's and women's synchronized trampoline pairs will be comprised of athletes named to the 2020 Indo-Pacific Championships team. The pairs will be named by the Trampoline

National Team Coordinators, subject to the approval of the T&T Program Director.

- f. The 2020 Indo-Pacific Championships team will be named by the Selection Committee following the conclusion of the 2020 USA Gymnastics Championships.

#### D. 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 team to be unable to participate in one or more steps in that process.

1. Procedures for petitioning into the 2020 USA Gymnastics Championships are listed in the [T&T Rules & Policies](#) (Section VI.II.B.1-6).
2. Athletes may petition directly to the 2020 Indo-Pacific Championships team.
3. Petitions to the 2020 Indo-Pacific Championships team will be considered for approval by the Selection Committee and must be received by the T&T Program Director as soon as practical after the athlete becomes aware of their inability to participate in the applicable competition and no later than the conclusion of competition at the 2020 USA Gymnastics Championships.
4. The petition must state the specific injury, illness or unusual circumstance which prohibited the athlete from participating in the competitive process. In the case of a petition based upon injury or illness, the petition must be accompanied by a physician's statement. The nature and extent of that injury or illness is subject to verification by a doctor approved by USA Gymnastics.
5. To be eligible to petition, the athlete must have been a medalist at the 2019 World Age Group Competitions or a finalist at the 2019 World Championships, in the same discipline the athlete is petitioning for.
6. In considering the petition, the Selection Committee will utilize the discretionary criteria outlined in II.B.3. below.

## II. DISCRETIONARY SELECTION

### A. Rationale for utilizing discretionary selection (if any)

While Trampoline & Tumbling is a subjectively judged event, these procedures will primarily rely on objective criteria for selecting athletes to the team through rankings and results at the Tryout Events. However, there are two scenarios where discretionary selection criteria will be evaluated: through the petition process, and in the unlikely case of a tie.

B. Discretionary criteria and how they will be used

1. Discretionary criteria may be used in two scenarios:
  - a. Reviewing and making a decision on any submitted petitions.
  - b. Breaking a tie in Combined Preliminary Score or Combined Total Score.
2. Criteria used by the Selection Committee includes (not listed in order of importance):
  - 2019-2020 international performance and experience, including result, type, frequency, and caliber of the event(s) held in 2019-2020, to which USA Gymnastics assigned athletes (these events can be found on the [2019](#) and [2020](#) T&T calendars).
  - 2019-2020 domestic performance and experience, including result, type, frequency, and caliber of the event(s) to be considered, which include the 2020 VIP Classic, 2020 Elite Challenge and 2020 USA Gymnastics Championships.
  - Total score potential: prior preliminary or final total score.
  - Successful routine completion percentage at 2019-2020 international and domestic events listed in II.B.2.
  - Any physical, training or performance factor, which might inhibit peak performance at the 2020 Indo-Pacific Championships.
  - Demonstrated professional attitude, compliance with responsibility manual, and ability to positively contribute to the team dynamic.
3. Criteria used by the trampoline national coaches' selection for synchronized trampoline pairs includes:
  - Existing pair with prior successful results.
  - Identification of a new pairing with possible medal potential.

C. Selection Committee

1. Titles of the committee members responsible for making discretionary selections

The Selection Committee (SC) is a three-member voting body:

- Elite Committee Chair (voice, no vote)
- Elite Committee discipline representative
- Discipline National Team Coordinator OR Junior National Team Coordinator
- Athlete Selection Representative
- Program Director (process voice, no vote)

2. Process used to identify and handle any potential conflicts of interest involving a member of the committee
  - a. In the event that an SC member is currently affiliated with any athlete in consideration for a team, or deemed to have a conflict as defined by the Conflict of Interest Policy, or is unable to fulfill the obligations of the SC for any reason, a replacement will be named in the following order:
    - Should the Athlete Representative need to be replaced, another person eligible to represent the athletes will be named.
    - Should the Trampoline National Team Coordinator need to be replaced, the Trampoline Junior National Team Coordinator will be named, and vice-versa.
    - Should any other member of the SC need to be replaced (including trampoline national team coordinators) replacements will be named in the following order:
      - Chair of the Elite Committee
      - Chair of the Program Committee
      - Members of the SC for other T&T disciplines
      - International experts (athlete / coach / judge with world-level competition or judging experience)
    - Should the National Team Coordinator or Junior National Team Coordinator be replaced due to a conflict of interest, they will retain the right to present a selection recommendation (complete with reasoning) and answer questions from the SC, after which time they will be required to leave the selection meeting.
  - b. The Conflict of Interest Policy is published on the [USA Gymnastics website](#).
  - c. The SC may consider any other factor or information it deems relevant in its reasonable discretion. For example, the SC may consider a candidate's SafeSport history or ability to interact positively with the team. The SC may request any information from any person or entity that it reasonably believes will be helpful in its decision-making process.

### III. REMOVAL OF ATHLETES

- A. An athlete who is to be selected to the 2020 Indo-Pacific Championships team by USA Gymnastics may be removed for any of the following reasons, as determined by USA Gymnastics:
  1. Voluntary withdrawal. Athlete must submit a written letter to USA Gymnastics Program Director.

2. 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.
  3. Lack of performance in training, which inhibits peak performance at the 2020 Indo-Pacific Championships.
  4. Failure to participate in mandatory training and/or competition as defined in these procedures.
  5. Violation of USA Gymnastics [Code of Ethical Conduct](#), National Team Agreement, or Trampoline & Tumbling Responsibility Manual.
  6. Violation of WADA, FIG, USADA and/or USOC 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 USA Gymnastics Bylaws, Article 10.

#### **IV. REPLACEMENT OF ATHLETES**

- A. Selection and approval process for determining replacement athlete(s) should a vacancy occur
- The replacement athlete in the gender where the vacancy occurred will fill the vacancy and a new replacement may be named per I.C.
- B. Committee responsible for making athlete replacement determinations
- See II.C.

#### **V. COACH SELECTION**

- A. The coaches for the 2020 Indo-Pacific Championships team will be selected from among the national team coordinators, the personal coaches of the team members, and other experienced coaches.
1. The Selection Committee will name the 2020 Indo-Pacific Championships coaches following the determination of the 2020 Indo-Pacific Championships team at the conclusion of the 2020 USA Gymnastics Championships, based on the number of available credentials and the needs of the team.

2. Criteria to be considered in selecting the 2020 Indo-Pacific Championships coaches include:

- USA Gymnastics Professional Member in good standing
- International experience
- Proven leadership ability
- Rapport with athletes
- Technical knowledge
- Compliance with the USA Gymnastics Safe Sport Policy, Code of Ethical Conduct and Trampoline & Tumbling Responsibilities Manual.

B. Removal of Coach

1. A coach who is to be selected to the 2020 Indo-Pacific Championships team by USA Gymnastics may be removed for any of the following reasons, as determined by USA Gymnastics:

- a. Voluntary withdrawal. Coach must submit a written letter to USA Gymnastics Program Director.
- b. 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 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.
- c. Failure to participate in mandatory training and/or competition as defined in these procedures.
- d. Violation of USA Gymnastics [Code of Ethical Conduct](#), National Team Agreement, or Trampoline & Tumbling Responsibility Manual.
- e. Violation of the U.S. Center for SafeSport and/or USA Gymnastics policies and procedures.
- f. Should an athlete be removed from the team pursuant to III., 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.
- g. If the individual becomes ineligible for leadership pursuant to Section 2.4 of the USA Gymnastics Bylaws or fails to meet the affirmative duty required by Section 2.4 of the Bylaws.
- h. Any decision to remove a coach may be reviewed through USA Gymnastics Grievance Procedures per the [USA Gymnastics Bylaws](#) (Article 10).

## **VI. 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 2020 Indo-Pacific Championships.

## **VII. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS**

- A. The following documents are required to be adhered to/signed by an athlete as a condition of selection to the 2020 Indo-Pacific Championships and can be found on the USA Gymnastics website:
- [USA Gymnastics Safe Sport Policy](#)
  - [USA Gymnastics Code of Ethical Conduct](#)
  - [National Team Agreement](#)

## **VIII. 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 and their personal coaches.

## **IX. DATE OF NOMINATION**

- A. The selection of athletes including replacements, will be announced on or before:
- June 26, 2020

## **X. MANDATORY TRAINING AND/OR COMPETITION**

- A. Specify the location, schedule and duration of mandatory training and/or competition:
- Indo-Pacific Championships Preparation camp – August 26-29, location TBA (mandatory for competing athletes, optional for alternates)

**XI. ANTI-DOPING REQUIREMENTS**

- A. 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 WADA, FIG, USADA and USOC Rules, as applicable.

**XII. DEVELOPMENT OF SELECTION PROCEDURES**

- A. The following committee/group was responsible for creating these Selection Procedures:

<b>Trampoline &amp; Tumbling Program Committee</b>	
T&T Program Director	Jacqui Godfrey
T&T Program Committee Chair	Patti Conner
T&T Elite Committee and T&T Selection Committee Chair	Scott Lineberry
T&T Technical Committee Chair	Deanna Hanford
T&T JO Committee Chair	Chelsea Rainer (recused)
T&T Athlete Selection Representative	Michael Devine

**XIII. NGB BYLAWS AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES**

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

**XIV. 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 selection events listed in this document, these selection procedures will be revised by the USA Gymnastics Program Director.

**XV. SIGNATURES**

- A. Each athlete and coach participating in the process for selecting the 2018 World Age Group Competitions 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