

USA GYMNASTICS
ATHLETE SELECTION PROCEDURES
2020 OLYMPIC GAMES
TRAMPOLINE
March 11, 2019
Amended May 30, 2019
[Amended October 14, 2019](#)

1. SELECTION SYSTEM

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 start of the Tryout Events (see 1.2.1.).

Athlete must hold a valid U.S. passport that will not expire for six (6) months after the conclusion of the Games.

1.1.2. Minimum International Olympic Committee (IOC) standards for participation:

Any competitor in the Olympic Games must be a national of the country of the National Olympic Committee (NOC) which is entering such competitor. For additional information regarding an athlete who is a national of two or more countries, has changed his or her nationality or acquired a new nationality, refer to the Olympic Charter (Rule 41), the IPC Handbook (Section 2, Chapter 3.1), or the PASO Statutes (Article XXII, Sections 4 and 5).

1.1.3. Minimum International Gymnastics Federation (FIG) standards for participation (if any):

- Athlete must be a minimum of 18 years of age by December 31, 2020 (born on or before December 31, 2002).
- Hold a valid FIG Athlete License through the end of the 2020 Olympic Games Trampoline Gymnastics competitions.
- Have reached the minimum technical standard established by the FIG and available at www.fig-gymnastics.com.

1.1.4. Other requirements (if any):

- Athletes must have successfully completed all Games Registration requirements by stated deadline. The online registration is slated to be open October 15, 2019 to February 25, 2020. Registration information will be communicated to athletes via the USA Gymnastics website at <https://usagym.org/>.
- Athlete must be a member in good standing with USA Gymnastics at the time of nomination.
- Athlete must meet the Senior Elite mobility requirements to compete as a Senior Elite athlete. Mobility requirements are posted in the 2019-2020 [Trampoline & Tumbling Rules & Policies](#) (Sec. VI).
- Any athlete age 18 or older will be required to undergo a background screen in accordance with the current USOC Background Check Policy.
- Any athlete age 18 or older as of the Closing Ceremony will be required to complete the U.S. Center for SafeSport's online training.

1.2. Tryout Events:

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

Additional information regarding the final competition dates, competition schedule and the competition format will be published via the T&T (Trampoline & Tumbling) page of the USA Gymnastics website at https://usagym.org/pages/tt/events/program_events.html a minimum of 45 days prior to the start of each of the Tryout Events listed below.

- 2020 Domestic Selection Event ([2020 VIP Classic](#)) – February 27 – March 1, [Evansville, IN](#) ~~location TBD.~~
- 2020 Elite Challenge – April 2-5, location TBD.
- 2020 USA Gymnastics Championships – [June 17-21, 2020, St. Louis, MO](#) ~~intended for 2nd-or-3rd-weekend of June 2020, location TBD.~~

- 1.2.2. Provide event names, dates, locations and description of how athletes qualify for the trials, events and camps listed above in 1.2.1. (if any).

- To qualify to compete at the 2020 Domestic Selection Event and 2020 Elite Challenge, athletes must meet mobility requirements as a senior elite as stated in the 2019-2020 Trampoline & Tumbling Rules & Policies (Sec. VI).

- To compete at the 2020 USA Gymnastics Championships, athletes must meet qualification requirements as stated in the 2019-2020 Trampoline & Tumbling Rules & Policies (Sec. VI).

1.3. Provide a comprehensive, step-by-step description of the method that explains how athletes will go through the selection process (include maximum Team size).

1.3.1. The U.S. can qualify up to two (2) males and two (2) females in the discipline of Individual Trampoline to compete at the 2020 Olympic Games. Provided the U.S. earns its quota place(s) at the qualification events, USAG will fill all quota places. In addition, one replacement athlete in each gender will be named.

1.3.2. Definitions:

- Combined Score: The Combined Score is the sum of the highest two (2) Preliminary Scores from the three Tryout Events listed in 1.2.1.
- Preliminary Score: The Preliminary Score is the sum of Routine 1 and Routine 2 from the preliminary round at a single Tryout Event.

1.3.3. Process for selection:

Depending on the number of quota place(s) earned by the U.S.:

- a. The male athlete and female athlete with the highest Combined Score will be named to the 2020 Olympic Team.
- b. The male athlete and female athlete with the second highest Combined Score will be named to the 2020 Olympic Team (if two quota places are earned per gender), or the replacement athlete (if one quota place is earned).
- c. The male athlete and female athlete with the third highest Combined Score will be the replacement athlete to the 2020 Olympic Team (if two quota places are earned per gender).

1.4. 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 2020 Olympic Team because of their previous competition results to be unable to participate in one or more steps in that process.

- Procedures for petitioning into the 2020 Domestic Selection Event, 2020 Elite Challenge and 2020 USA Gymnastics Championships [will be](#) published in the 2019-2020 Trampoline & Tumbling Rules & Policies (Section VI).
- Athletes may not petition directly onto the 2020 Olympic Team.

2. DISCRETIONARY SELECTION

2.1. Provide 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 2020 Olympic Team through rankings and results at the Tryout Events listed in 1.2.1. However, there are two scenarios where discretionary selection criteria will be evaluated and those are through the petition process and in the unlikely case of a tie.

2.2. List the discretionary criteria and explain how they will be used (if any):

2.2.1. Discretionary criteria may be used in two (2) scenarios:

- Breaking a tie in Combined Score (defined in 1.3.2) during any of the steps outlined in 1.3.3.; and
- Reviewing and making a decision on any submitted petitions (refer to 1.4.).

2.2.2. Criteria used by the Selection Committee (SC) will include:

- 2018-2020 international performance and experience, including result, type, frequency, and caliber of the event(s) held in 2018-2020, to which USA Gymnastics assigned athletes (these events can be found on the [2018](#), [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 2019 VIP Classic, 2020 Domestic Selection Event, 2019/2020 Elite Challenge and 2019/2020 USA Gymnastics Championships.
- Total score potential: prior qualification total score or final pass score.
- Any physical, training or performance factor, which might inhibit peak performance at the 2020 Olympic Games.

2.3. Provide the name of the committee that will be responsible for making discretionary selections, along with a complete list of the members' titles currently serving on the committee:

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

- Elite Committee Chair *
- Elite Committee Trampoline Representative
- ~~National Trampoline Head Coach~~
- Athlete Selection Representative
- Program Director (process voice, no vote)
- ~~High Performance Coordinator (voice, no vote) **~~
- ~~Junior National Trampoline Coach (voice, no vote)~~

* The Elite Committee Chair will serve as the SC Chair.

~~** The High Performance Coordinator will present any background information relevant to selection (verbal or written report).~~

Note: An Independent Observer of Procedure appointed by a sub-committee of the USA Gymnastics Board of Directors will be present at the final selection meeting (no voice, no vote).

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

The Conflict of Interest Policy ~~will be made is~~ available at the following link:
https://usagym.org/pages/tt/pages/selection_procedures.html

The 2019-2020 Trampoline & Tumbling Rules & Policies ~~will be made is~~ available at the following link, ~~once finalized in July 2019~~:
https://usagym.org/pages/tt/pages/rules_policies.html

In the event that a SC member is currently affiliated with any athlete or coach in consideration for a Team, 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 National Head Trampoline Coach need to be replaced, the Junior National Trampoline Coach will be named. ~~The National Head Coach 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.~~
- Additional replacement member(s) named by the SC Chair, with preference given to:

- [Should any other member of the SC need to be replaced \(including the Junior National Trampoline Coach\) replacements will be named in the following order:](#)
 - [Elite Committee Chair](#)
 - [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 Trampoline Coach be replaced due to a conflict of interest, he or she 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.](#)

3. REMOVAL OF ATHLETES

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

An athlete who is to be nominated to the Team by USA Gymnastics may be removed for any of the following reasons, as determined by USA Gymnastics:

- 3.1.1. Voluntary withdrawal. Athlete must submit a written letter to USA Gymnastics President/CEO.
- 3.1.2. 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.
- 3.1.3. Failure to participate in Mandatory Training and/or Competition as defined in Section 9 of these procedures.
- 3.1.4. Violation of USA Gymnastics Code of Ethical Conduct, National Team Agreement, or Trampoline & Tumbling Responsibility Manual, which may be found online at:
https://usagym.org/pages/tt/pages/selection_procedures.html
- 3.1.5. Inability to prove competition readiness (see Section 9 below).

An athlete who is removed from the Team pursuant to this provision has the right to a hearing per USA Gymnastics Bylaws, Article 10 and the USOC's Bylaws, Section 9.

- 3.2. Once athlete entries have been submitted to the Local Organizing Committee by the USOC, the USOC has jurisdiction over the Team, at which time, in addition to any applicable USA Gymnastics Code of Conduct, the USOC's Code of Conduct and

Grievance Procedures apply. The USOC's Code of Conduct and Grievance Procedures can be found at:

- <https://www.teamusa.org/Athlete-Resources/Athlete-Ombudsman/Games-Info/Athlete-Conduct>
- <http://www.teamusa.org/Footer/Legal/Governance-Documents>

- 3.3. An athlete may be removed as a nominee to the Team or from the Team for an adjudicated violation of IOC, PASO, WADA, FIG, USADA and/or USOC anti-doping protocol, policies and procedures, **as well as the Policies and Procedures of the U.S. Center for SafeSport, the USOC Athlete Safety Policy and USAG's 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 replacement athlete in the gender where the vacancy occurred will fill the vacancy and a new replacement will be named per 1.3.

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

The replacement athlete that had previously been named in accordance with 1.3. in the gender where the vacancy occurred will fill the vacancy.

5. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

A 2020 Olympic Games Athlete Selection Committee Report, outlining the work and decisions of the SC, will be made available for distribution to all athletes and coaches who participated in the selection events within a reasonable amount of time after the conclusion of the 2020 USA Gymnastics Championships. The report will be made public on the USA Gymnastics website. USA Gymnastics retains the sole discretion to determine the contents and timing of the report.

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 Closing Ceremony of the Games.

6. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

In addition to the USOC Code of Conduct, the following documents are required to be adhered to/signed by an athlete as a condition of nomination to the Olympic Games and can be found online at https://usagym.org/pages/tt/pages/selection_procedures.html:

- USA Gymnastics Safe Sport Policy
- USA Gymnastics Code of Ethical Conduct
- Trampoline & Tumbling Program Manual
- National Team Agreement

7. PUBLICITY/DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEDURES

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

- 7.1. USA Gymnastics website: www.usagym.org

These procedures will be posted as soon as possible, but not more than five (5) business days following notice of approval by the USOC.

- 7.2. Other: Direct email distribution to age-eligible national team members and their personal coaches.

8. DATE OF NOMINATION

The Nomination of Athletes form, including replacements, will be announced to all athletes and submitted to the USOC on or before:

June 22, 2020

9. MANDATORY TRAINING AND/OR COMPETITION

Specify the location, schedule and duration of mandatory training and/or competition:

There are no plans to hold a mandatory training camp for the Olympic Team at this time.

Should this change, athletes will be given at least 30 days' notice by announcement through email to athletes and coaches, as well as posted online.

All athletes, including replacement athletes selected for the 2020 Olympic Games ~~will~~may be required to show complete routines, if requested, ~~This will be done~~ at a time, occasion and method decided upon by the T&T Program Director, via either live video or

an in-person verification between USA Gymnastics Championships and July 1, 2020. These videos will be assessed by the National Trampoline Coach and an FIG Brevet judge. Failure to show complete routines (both compulsory and optional) may result in removal from the team (see 3.1.5.).

10. ANTI-DOPING REQUIREMENTS

Athletes must adhere to all IOC, PASO, 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, PASO, WADA, FIG, USADA and USOC Rules, as applicable.

11. DEVELOPMENT OF SELECTION PROCEDURES

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

Trampoline & Tumbling Program Committee	
T&T Program Director	Jacqui Godfrey
T&T Program Chair	Patti Conner
T&T Elite Chair	Scott Lineberry
T&T Technical Committee Chair	Deanna Hanford
T&T JO Program Chair	Chelsea Rainer
T&T Athlete Representatives	Alex Renkert & Michael Devine

12. NGB BYLAWS AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

USA Gymnastics Bylaws and Grievance Procedures can be found at:
<https://usagym.org/PDFs/About%20USA%20Gymnastics/Governance/usag-bylaws.pdf>

13. INTERNATIONAL DISCLAIMER

These procedures are based on IOC, PASO, as applicable, and/or FIG rules and regulations as presently known and understood. Any change in the selection procedures caused by a change in IOC, PASO, 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.

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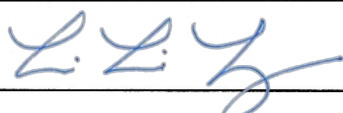


14. ATHLETE OMBUDSMAN

Athletes who have questions regarding their opportunity to compete that are not answered by USA Gymnastics may contact the USOC Athlete Ombudsman:

- Telephone at (719) 866-5000
- Email at ombudsman@usathlete.org
- Website at <http://www.athleteombudsman.org>

15. USA GYMNASTICS SIGNATURES




I certify that I have read and understand the standards/criteria set by the FIG and PAGU 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.

Position	Print Name	Signature	Date
USA Gymnastics CEO	Li Li Leung		10/29/19
National T&T Program Director	Jacqui Godfrey		10/14/19
USOC Athletes' Advisory Council Representative*	Nastia Liukin <u>Sho Nakamori</u>		10/25/19

- * If the USOC AAC Representative has delegated authority to the Alternate AAC Representative to sign the Selection Procedures, attach a letter from the AAC Representative indicating the reason he/she has delegated authority.
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Position	Print Name	Signature	Date
USA Gymnastics CEO	Li Li Leung		6/18/19
National T&T Program Director	Jacqui Godfrey		6/4/19
USOC Athletes' Advisory Council Representative*	Nastia Liukin		6/13/19

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Position	Print Name	Signature	Date
USA Gymnastics Board Chair	Kathryn Carson		1/7/19
National T&T Program Director	Jacqui Godfrey		1/7/19
USOC Athletes' Advisory Council Representative*	Nastia Liukin		01/30/2019

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