USA GYMNASTICS ATHLETE SELECTION PROCEDURES 2024 PARIS OLYMPICS RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS - INDIVIDUAL February 16, 2024

1. SELECTION SYSTEM

- 1.1. Provide the minimum eligibility requirements for an athlete to be considered for selection to the 2024 Olympic Team:
 - 1.1.0. 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 Games.

1.1.1. 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), the Panam Sports Constitution (Article 34.4-7).

- 1.1.2. Minimum International Federation (IF) standards for participation (if any):
 - Athlete must be a minimum of 16 years of age by December 31, 2024 (born on or before December 31, 2008).
 - Hold a valid FIG License until the end of the 2024 Olympic Games Rhythmic Gymnastics competitions.
 - Athlete must have reached the minimum technical standard established by the FIG which is available on the FIG official website. https://www.gymnastics.sport/publicdir/rules/files/en_Olympic%20 Qualification%20System%20Paris%202024%20RG.pdf

1.1.3. Other requirements:

• Athletes must be a member in good standing with USA Gymnastics at the time of nomination.

- Athlete must successfully complete the 2024 Olympic Games registration requirements by stated deadline.
- Any athlete age 18 or older will be required to undergo a background screen in accordance with the current <u>USOPC Background Check</u> Policy.
- Any athlete age 18 or older as of the Closing Ceremony will be required to remain current with the U.S. Center for SafeSport's education and training requirements in accordance with the <u>USOPC</u> Athlete Safety Policy.

1.2. Tryout Events:

1.2.1. Event names, dates and locations of all trials, competitions, and camps used as part of the selection process:

2023 USA Gymnastics Championships: June 23-25, 2023 (Tulsa, OK) 2023 Pan American Games: November 1-4, 2023 (Santiago, Chile)

1.2.2. Describe how athletes qualify for the events listed in 1.2.1.:

The 2023 Pan American Games Selection Procedures can be found at: https://static.usagym.org/PDFs/Pressbox/Selection%20Procedures/r 23panamgames.pdf

1.3. Step-by-step description of the selection process for the 2024 Olympic Games (include maximum Team size):

Qualification by NOC:

Quotas were allocated to each NOC based on the results of the 2022 and 2023 World Championships in accordance with the qualification system (https://www.gymnastics.sport/publicdir/rules/files/en_Olympic%20Qualification%20 System%20Paris%202024%20RG.pdf). Team USA did not meet the requirements to earn NOC quotas.

Qualification by Name:

According to the qualification system, 2024 Continental Championships or another continental qualifying event approved by FIG held at any time April through May 2024, or another date approved by the FIG, will serve as a qualification by name event. FIG approved the 2023 Pan American Games as the Pan American Continental event.

Qualification places: The highest placed athletes from the individual all-around results of the respective Continental Championships (or another Continental Qualifying Event approved by the FIG) from a NOC not already qualified under

Criteria 1 (2022 World Championships) or Criteria 2 (2023 World Championships) will qualify one (1) quota place. The quota places are allocated by name.

If a U.S. Athlete earns a quota place by name, USA Gymnastics will accept this quota.

2. DISCRETIONARY SELECTION (if applicable)

Not Applicable

3. REMOVAL OF ATHLETES

3.1. Prior to submitting athlete entries by name to the USOPC, 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. Voluntary withdrawal. Athlete must submit a written letter of withdrawal to the USA Gymnastics President and CEO.
- 3.1.2. Injury or illness which inhibits peak performance which shall be determined by and examining physician verified by USA Gymnastics Medical Staff.
- 3.1.3. Failure to participate in mandatory training and/or competition as stated in Section 9 of these Selection Procedures.
- 3.1.4. Violation of the USA Gymnastics Code of Conduct, National Team Agreement, or Program Manual which may be found at https://usagym.org/rhythmic/elite/ selection
- 3.1.5. Non-compliance with the eligibility requirements listed in Section 1.1. of these selection procedures.
- 3.1.6. If USA Gymnastics has any other specific reason for removal, list it here: N/A

Removal may only occur by action of the President and CEO of USA Gymnastics and one of the Program's Athlete Representatives (or another Athlete Representative appointed by the USA Gymnastics Athletes' Council in the case of a conflict of interest) after consultation with the Selection Committee and an interview with the athlete and her coach. An athlete who is removed from the Team pursuant to this provision has the right to a hearing per <u>USA Gymnastics Grievance Policy</u> Bylaws and the USOPC Bylaws, Section 9.

3.2. Once athlete entries have been submitted to the USOPC, the USOPC has jurisdiction over the Team, at which time, in addition to any applicable NGB Code of Conduct,

the USOPC's Delegation Conduct Requirements apply, contained in the USOPC Games Delegation Terms. The USOPC Games Delegation Terms are specific to each Games and made available during the Games registration process; the USOPC's Grievance Procedures and Hearing Process are found within the Delegation Terms. See "Delegation Events" at https://www.teamusa.org/Footer/Legal/Dispute-Resolution for more information.

3.3. An athlete may be removed as a nominee to the Team or from the Team for an adjudicated violation of IOC, IPC, Panam Sports, APC, 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. Athlete replacements will be determined in accordance with the qualification system. Any unused place from Continental Championships (or the other Continental Qualifying Event approved by the FIG) will be allocated to the next highest ranked eligible individual athlete(s) based on the individual all-around results of the respective Continental Championships (or the other Continental Qualifying Event approved by the FIG) from a NOC not already qualified under Criteria 1 (2022 World Championships) or Criteria 2 (2023 World Championships). The quota places are allocated by name.

5. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

5.1. USA Gymnastics will retain the approved Selection Procedures and all supporting documents, including but not limited to scouting or evaluation forms, and data from the selection process for six months past the date of the Closing Ceremony of the 2024 Olympic Games.

6. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

In addition to the USOPC Delegation Conduct Requirements, the following documents are required to be signed by an athlete as a condition of nomination to the Olympic Games (include as attachments or provide links) and can be found on the USA Gymnastics website:

- USA Gymnastics Safety & Response Policy
- USA Gymnastics Code of Ethical Conduct
- Program Manual

• National Team Agreement

7. PUBLICITY/DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEDURES

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

7.1. USA Gymnastics website: https://usagym.org/rhythmic/elite/ - selection

These Selection Procedures will be published as soon as possible, but not more than five business days following notice of approval by the USOPC.

7.2. Other: N/A

8. DATE OF NOMINATION

Nomination of athletes, including replacements, will be announced to all athletes and submitted to the USOPC on or before:

June 27, 2024

9. MANDATORY TRAINING AND/OR COMPETITION

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

Pre-Games Training Camp: Calais, FRA date TBD

10. ANTI-DOPING REQUIREMENTS

Athletes must adhere to all IOC, IPC, Panam Sports, APC, WADA, IF, USADA and USOPC antidoping protocols, policies and procedures, as applicable. This includes participation in Outof-Competition Testing as required by the IOC, IPC, Panam Sports, APC, WADA, IF, USADA and USOPC rules, as applicable.

11. DEVELOPMENT OF SELECTION PROCEDURES

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

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12. 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

13. INTERNATIONAL DISCLAIMER

These procedures are based on IOC, IPC, Panam Sports, APC, 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, 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 selection criteria 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.

14. 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

15. NGB/PSO SIGNATURES

I certify that I have read and understand the standards/criteria set by our IF 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		L. L. Z	16/02/2024
President and	Li Li Leung		
CEO			
USA Gymnastics		Stofanie Konepin	15/02/2024
Chief Programs	Stefanie Korepin		
Officer			

USA Gymnastics Rhythmic Vice President	Caroline Hunt	Caroline Hunt Caroline Hunt (Feb 15, 2024 14:38 EST)	15/02/202
USOPC Athletes' Advisory Council	Logan Dooley	Logan Doole, feeb 14, 2024 14:24 PST)	14/02/202
Representative*	,		

^{*} If the USOPC 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 or she has delegated authority.

^{*} Signature by the Athlete Representative constitutes that he or she has read and understands the Selection Procedures. If the Athlete Representative reads and does not agree with the Athlete Selection Procedures submitted by the NGB/PSO, he or she may submit those reasons in writing to his or her USOPC Sport Performance Team.

^{*} If, for some reason, a sport does not have an elected USOPC AAC Representative, the NGB/PSO must designate an athlete from that sport to review and sign the Selection Procedures.

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