

# Selection Procedures Junior National Team

## Chapter

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## **ATHLETE SELECTION PROCEDURES 2014 JUNIOR NATIONAL TEAM**

### **I. SELECTION SYSTEM**

- A. Provide the minimum eligibility requirements for an athlete to be considered for nomination to the Team:
1. Citizenship:
    - a. Athlete meets eligibility and nationality requirements as presented by USA Taekwondo in compliance with the minimum International Federation standards for participation (item I.A.2.).
    - b. All athletes must be U.S. Citizens in order to compete.
  2. Minimum IF standards for participation (if any):
    - a. World Taekwondo Federation (WTF); Rules of Competition, Article 4. Contestants, Section 1  
[http://www.wtf.org/wtf\\_eng/site/rules/competition.html](http://www.wtf.org/wtf_eng/site/rules/competition.html)
      - Holder of the nationality of the participating team.
      - One recommended by the WTF National Taekwondo Association.
      - Holder of Taekwondo Dan certificate issued by the Kukkiwon or WTF.
      - Competitors must be at least 15 years of age and not more than 17 years of age on Dec. 31, 2014.
  3. Other requirements (if any):
    - a. Athlete must be a USA Taekwondo member in good standing.
    - b. Athletes must compete in the World Class, Black Belt division.

### Weight Division Classification for the 2014 Junior National Team

	Junior Male Divisions	Junior Female Divisions
Classification	Weight Category (kg)	
Fin	Not exceeding 45kg	Not exceeding 42kg
Fly	Over 45kg not exceeding 48kg	Over 42kg not exceeding 44kg
Bantam	Over 48kg not exceeding 51kg	Over 44kg not exceeding 46kg
Feather	Over 51kg not exceeding 55kg	Over 46kg not exceeding 49kg
Light	Over 55kg not exceeding 59kg	Over 49kg not exceeding 52kg
Welter	Over 59kg not exceeding 63kg	Over 52kg not exceeding 55kg
Light Middle	Over 63kg not exceeding 68kg	Over 55kg not exceeding 59kg
Middle	Over 68kg not exceeding 73kg	Over 59kg not exceeding 63kg
Light Heavy	Over 73kg not exceeding 78kg	Over 63kg not exceeding 68kg
Heavy	Over 78kg	Over 68kg

#### **Competition Format for the USAT Junior Team Trials**

The Daedo electronic scoring system will be used at the USAT Team Trials.

Single elimination format will be used through Quarterfinals. In single elimination format, the loser of each match is immediately eliminated from the competition bracket.

Double elimination format will be used starting with the semi-finals.

#### **Double elimination format Explanation:**

Two defeats eliminate an entry in this tournament format. The losers in the first rounds move into the Loser's Bracket. The athletes that advance farthest in either bracket meet each other in the final match. Should the winner of the Loser's Bracket defeat the winner of the Winner's Bracket, the athletes are re-matched for the berth on the team.

Byes are distributed in the first round of the original elimination brackets as in a single elimination tournament.

**Seeding Criteria:**

Seeding for each weight category will be administered by the prioritized list below. When applying the criteria below, if an athlete is participating in the same weight category at the USAT – Junior Team Trials as the event(s) listed below, the athlete will receive the higher seed. If more than one athlete in the same weight category shares the same result for seeding according to the criteria below, the athlete who achieved the result in the weight category he/she will be competing in at the USAT – Junior Team Trials will receive the higher seed.

1. 2013 Senior National Team Member
2. 2012 Junior World Championships Medalist – per medal value
  - a. Gold
  - b. Silver
  - c. Bronze
3. This is followed by the 1st place finisher from the 2013 Junior National Team Trial.
4. This is followed by the 2nd place finisher from the 2013 Junior National Team Trial.
5. This is followed by the 3rd place finisher from the 2013 Junior National Team Trial.
6. This is followed by the 4th place finisher from the 2013 Junior National Team Trial.
7. This is followed by a random draw of all remaining entries with the first draw being the higher of the remaining seeds and progressing until the final seed is set.

The winner of each weight category at the USAT – Junior Team Trials will represent the United States at the WTF – 10<sup>th</sup> Junior World Championships in New Taipei City, Chinese Taipei.

## ATTACHMENT - A

<b>USA Taekwondo Code of Conduct</b>
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### ATHLETE PLEDGE

I pledge to uphold the spirit of the USA Taekwondo Code of Conduct (the “Code”), which offers a guide to my conduct as a member of the USA National Team (the “Team”). I acknowledge that I have a right to a hearing if my opportunity to compete is denied or if I am charged with a violation of this Code.

I have familiarized myself with the Code and understand that acceptance of its provisions is a condition of my selection to the USA National Team.

#### **As a Member of the Team, I hereby promise and agree that I:**

- will abide by all rules related to the Team selection procedures as approved by USA Taekwondo;
- have acted and will act in a sportsmanlike manner consistent with the spirit of fair play and responsible conduct;
- will maintain a level of fitness and competitive readiness that will permit my performance to be at the maximum of my abilities;
- will not commit a doping violation as defined by the International Olympic Committee (IOC), World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA), the United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA), the United States Olympic Committee (USOC) or the World Taekwondo Federation rules;
- am not currently serving a doping violation and/or do not have a pending or unresolved doping charge;
- will not engage in any conduct that is criminal under any laws applicable to me, including, but not limited to laws governing the possession and use of drugs and alcohol and providing of drugs to any person and of alcohol to minors;
- am eligible to compete under the rules of the World Taekwondo Federation;
- will refrain from conduct detracting from my ability or that of my teammates to attain peak performance;

- will respect the property of others whether personal or public;
- will respect members of my Team, other teams, spectators and officials, and engage in no form of discriminatory behavior or verbal, physical or sexual harassment or abuse;
- will follow my Team's rules, including by way of example, rules regarding curfew and required attendance at team meetings;
- am aware that USA Taekwondo sponsors, suppliers and licensees provide critical support for the Team and, in recognition of this fact, I will wear designated USA Taekwondo apparel at all official Team functions and events;
- will not conceal or cover-up any USA Taekwondo sponsor, supplier or licensee brand or other identification appearing on my USA Taekwondo apparel;
- agree to be filmed and photographed by the official photographer(s) and network(s) of USA Taekwondo under conditions authorized by USA Taekwondo and give event organizers and USA Taekwondo the right to use my name, picture, likeness, and biographical information before, during and after the period of my participation in these activities to promote the activity in which I participate or to promote the success of the team on which I compete; in no event may USA Taekwondo or the event organizers use or authorize the use of my name, picture, likeness, voice and biographical information for the purpose of trade, including any use in a manner that would imply an endorsement of any company, product, or service, without my written permission;
- will not use or authorize the use of photographs, films or videos of myself in my USA Taekwondo apparel or equipment or the use of the USA Taekwondo logo for the purpose of trade, without the prior written consent of the USA Taekwondo (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld);
- will act in a way that will bring respect and honor to myself, my teammates, USA Taekwondo and the United States; and
- will remember that at all times I am an ambassador for my sport, my country and the Olympic Movement.

**ATHLETE OMBUDSMAN**

I may contact the USOC Athlete Ombudsman, toll free at 888.ATHLETE (888.284.5383) or [John.Ruger@usoc.org](mailto:John.Ruger@usoc.org) for further information regarding my rights under this Code that are not answered by USA Taekwondo.

**PARTICIPANTS' AFFIRMATION**

I have read and accept this Code of Conduct. I agree to the rules, guidelines, jurisdiction and procedures stated in these documents as a condition of being selected to participate as a member of the Team. I agree that if I break this code I am subject to removal from the Team.

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Signature

Date

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**NGB Name**

**Sport**

<p><b>PARENT/GUARDIAN CERTIFICATION</b> <b>(For Participants Under the Age of 18 as of Date of Signature)</b></p>
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Signature

Date

Relationship (Parent or Guardian)