



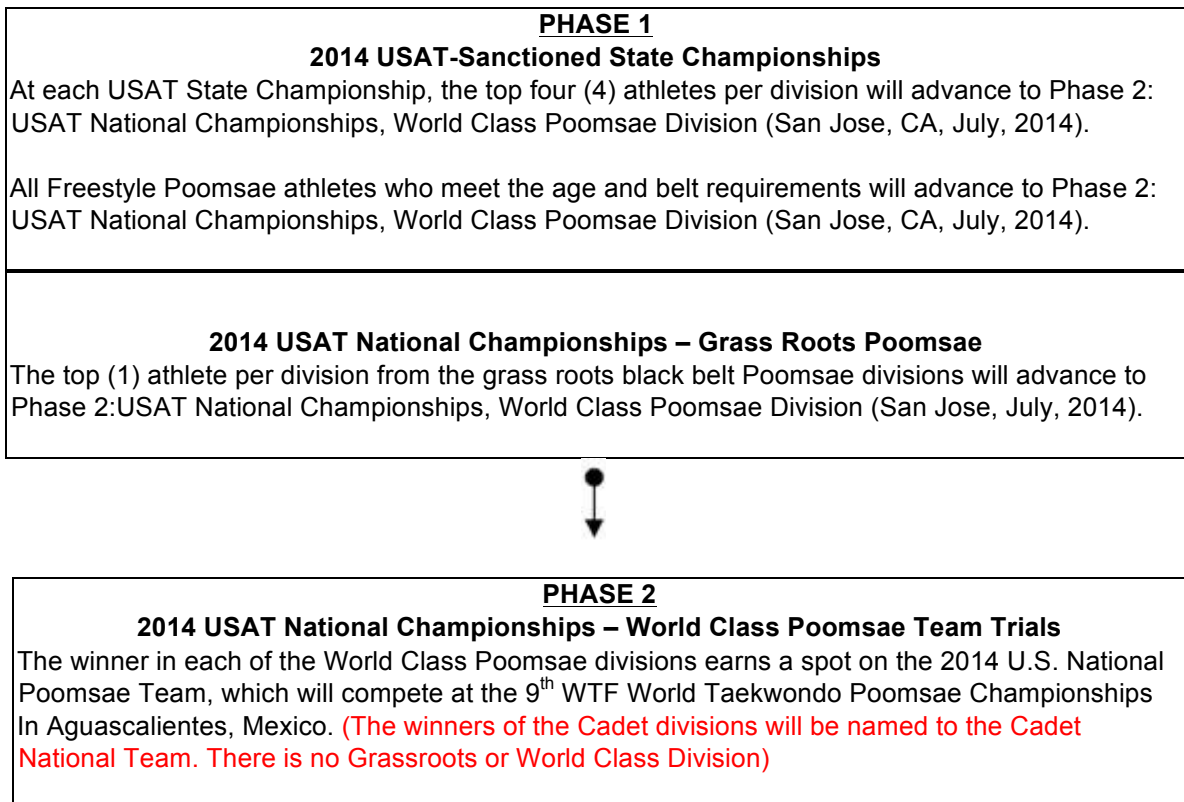
**ATHLETE SELECTION PROCEDURES
2014 U.S. NATIONAL POOMSAE TEAM
May 23, 2014**

I. SELECTION SYSTEM

The 2014 National Poomsae Team will be selected through qualification events at the 2014 USAT-Sanctioned State Championships and the 2014 USAT National Championships.

Qualifying Poomsae divisions are divided into 35 black belt groups based on age, gender, pairs, and teams.

2014 NATIONAL POOMSAE TEAM FLOW CHART



Performance Waivers

All athletes who were named to the 2013 U.S. National Poomsae Team and those who were alternates who competed at the 8th WTF World Taekwondo Poomsae Championships will receive a performance waiver from Phase 1 and automatically advance to Phase 2 unless ineligible to compete in the same division in which they competed in 2013 due to age.

Athletes who are ineligible due to age, must qualify for their new division in Phase 1 as outlined above.

II. RECOGNIZED POOMSAE DIVISIONS

The following World Class black belt poomsae divisions are eligible for the 2014 U.S. National Poomsae Team:

Individual	
Age	Division
12-14	Cadet-Male
12-14	Cadet-Female
15-17	Junior-Male
15-17	Junior-Female
18-30	1 st Senior-Male
18-30	1 st Senior-Female
31-40	2 nd Senior-Male
31-40	2 nd Senior-Female
41-50	1 st Master-Male
41-50	1 st Master-Female
51-60	2 nd Master-Male
51-60	2 nd Master-Female
61-65	3 rd Master-Male
61-65	3 rd Master-Female
66+	4 th Master-Male
66+	4 th Master-Female
Pair	
12-14	Cadet Pair: Male/Female
15-17	Junior Pair: Male/Female
18-30	1 st Pair: Male/Female
30+	2 nd Pair: Male Female
Team	
12-14	Cadet Male Team
12-14	Cadet Female Team
15-17	Junior Male Team
15-17	Junior Female Team
18-30	1 st Male Team
18-30	1 st Female Team
30+	2 nd Male Team
30+	2 nd Female Team
Freestyle	
Individual	
12-17	Male
12-17	Female
18+	Male
18+	Female
Pair	
12-17	Male/Female
18+	Male/Female

Team	
12+	Five members: at least two males and two females

III. COMPETITION FORMAT

Cut-off Method

In Phase 1 and 2, all tournaments will utilize the cut-off method competition format as defined by the current USAT Poomsae Competition Rules.

IV. REQUIRED POOMSAE

A list of the required Poomsae for the 2014 USAT National Championships will be published to the USAT website no later than July 2, 2014.

V. ATHLETE RESPONSIBILITIES

Travel & Competition Expenses

All athletes named to the 2014 National Poomsae Team shall be responsible for all travel expenses, registration fees, team uniforms and apparel associated with their participation in the 2014 World Poomsae Championships.

Notification of Participation & Replacements

All 2014 National Poomsae Team members must make clear their intention of participating in the the 9th WTF World Taekwondo Poomsae Championships no later than July 31, 2014. If the 1st place finisher from Phase 2 is unwilling or unable to participate, the 2nd place finisher will be offered the spot as an alternate. If the 2nd place finisher is unwilling or unable to participate, the U.S. National Poomsae Team coaching staff may choose to select the 3rd place finisher to compete, or leave the spot unrepresented. Failure to declare intent to participate by July 31, 2014 will result in the alternate being named to the team.

Mandatory Team Meeting & Training

The 2014 National Poomsae Team will have a mandatory team meeting (San Jose, CA July 6 and 7, 2014) immediately following team selection. All 2014 U.S. National Poomsae Team members are required to attend this meeting.

World Championships Schedule

All 2014 National Poomsae Team members are required to arrive at the 9th WTF World Taekwondo Poomsae Championships (Aguascaliente, Mexico) on the date specified by the World Championships tournament committee in order to participate in training sessions and complete registration.

VI. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

The following requirements must be met for an athlete to be eligible to join the 2014 National Poomsae Team.

1. Athlete is a holder of the nationality of the United States of America.

2. Athlete is a holder of Taekwondo Dan or Poom certificate issued by the Kukkiwon.
3. Athlete is a member of USA Taekwondo in good standing.
4. Athlete is at least 12 years of age by December 31, 2014.

VII - DEVELOPMENT OF SELECTION PROCEDURES The following committee/group (include names and titles) were responsible for creating these Selection Procedures:

- Barbara Brand, USA TKD AAC Member
- Bruce Harris, CEO, USA Taekwondo
- Patrick Wentland, Director of High Performance, USA Taekwondo

XII. NGB BYLAWS AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

The USA Taekwondo Bylaws and Grievance Procedures can be found: [USA Taekwondo Bylaws](#)

XIII. INTERNATIONAL DISCLAIMER

These procedures are based on IOC and/or World Taekwondo Federation (WTF) rules and regulations as presently known and understood. Any change in the selection procedures caused by a change in IOC and/or WTF rules and regulations will be distributed to the affected athletes immediately. The selection criteria are based on the latest information available to USA Taekwondo. However, the selections are always subject to unforeseen, intervening circumstances, and realistically may not have accounted for every possible contingency.




XIV. ATHLETE OMBUDSMAN

Athletes who have questions regarding their opportunity to compete that are not answered by USA Taekwondo may contact the USOC Athlete Ombudsman: John W. Ruger by:

- Toll free telephone at (888) ATHLETE
- E-mail at john.ruger@usoc.org
- www.888athlete.org

XV. NGB SIGNATURES

I certify that I have read, understand and incorporated our IF standards/criteria into our Selection Procedures and that the information provided herein regarding Athlete Selection Procedures represents the method approved by USA Taekwondo.

Position	Print Name	Signature	Date
NGB President or CEO/Executive Director	Bruce Harris		29 May 2014
Athletes' Advisory Council Representative*	Barbara Brand		5/26/2014
NGB Director of High Performance	Patrick Wentland		5/26/2014

*If 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.