

USAW Referee Nominating Criteria for Major International Events

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Introduction

The USAW will nominate the maximum number of qualified USAW Referees for all Major International events. The Major International events are the World and Games events. The World events are the Senior Worlds, Junior Worlds, Collegiate Worlds, and the Youth Worlds. The Games events are the Olympic Games, Pan Am Games, and Youth Olympic Games.

Objective

The objective of the nominating criteria is to provide International opportunities to all qualified, knowledgeable, and active USAW Referees. The nominating criteria is intended to nominate our most qualified referees in order of priority for a specific international competition within a specific year while balancing the scales to ensure that other very well qualified referees are given the opportunity to be nominated during that specific year.

In order to accomplish this objective:

- 1) A simple and brief application must be completed for each World or Games event that one wishes to be considered for nomination.
- 2) Only IWF Category 1 Referees will be nominated: Reference IWF Technical & Competition Rules.
- 3) The two highest ranked USAW Referees who have submitted an application will be nominated. During a given year, each successful selection to be nominated will cost the USAW Referee a defined number of points which will be subtracted from his or her total number of points for a future nomination. This is done to allow other very well qualified referees the opportunity to be nominated.
- 4) Points are earned for performing technical duties at USAW National and local events over the most recent two year period. These technical duties are Competition Secretary, Jury member, Referee, Technical Controller, Marshal, Time Keeper, and Referee Testing Coordinator along with attendance of USAW National Rules Clinics. At a single USAW National event one can earn multiple points by performing multiple technical duties, but one cannot earn multiple points by performing the same duty at a single USAW National event. This is done to encourage USAW Referees to have experience in all technical roles and have a current knowledge of the Technical Rules.
- 5) For the Pan Am Games, additional points are earned for performing technical duties at the Pan Am Championships and other minor Pan Am events. The USAW does not nominate USAW Referees to these events. However, past participation in these events has shown to be an indicator of actual selection to referee at the Pan Am Games.
- 6) For the Olympic Games, additional points are earned by a nominee being selected to perform technical duties at a World or Games event. Past selection to these

events has shown to be an indicator of actual selection to referee at the Olympic Games.

- 7) In the event that a candidate is nominated by the USAW and is selected by the IWF but does not fulfill his or her IWF duties at the IWF event for reasons other than an unforeseen or uncontrollable circumstance such as a medical or family emergency, the candidate will not be nominated for future IWF events for a four year period, regardless of the number of points he or she has earned.

General Information about Completing the Application

- 1) A “Call for Nominations” for a specific World or Games event will be made in the USAW Weekly Report and sent to USAW IWF Category 1 Referees which have a known email address as soon as the request is received from the IWF.
- 2) This “Call for Nominations” will specify a submission deadline which will be seven days after the notification has been sent and a selection date of fourteen days after the notification has been sent. If an application is submitted, it is the responsibility of the candidate to notify the USAW in event he or she does not wish to be selected during the period of time from submission deadline to selection date.
- 3) This “Call for Nominations” will specify that an IWF Referee Uniform and a valid IWF Category 1 license are required. It will also state that the cost of transportation to and from World events is the responsibility of the candidates; room, board, and local transportation will be provided by the IWF or the host of the event.
- 4) All candidates will be contacted in regard to their nomination or non-nomination in a time sensitive priority manner. The candidates who will be nominated will be contacted first followed by those who will not be nominated.
- 5) One may submit an application for any/all World or Games prior to this notification. However points earned after an early application has been submitted will NOT be considered.