

2021 Selection Protocols

Poomsae Events

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Section 1: General Information

1. Introduction

Purpose

- The purpose of this document is to group under ONE document the process and criteria that will be used by Taekwondo Canada (**TC**) to select athletes and coaches to different teams, events, or camps.
- All Taekwondo Canada (TC) events shall be conducted in accordance with World Taekwondo (WT) rules and regulations except as otherwise stated.
- Any changes in the selection criteria and procedures necessitated only by a change in WT rules and regulations will
 be distributed to the affected athletes as soon as reasonably possible. Should such a circumstance occur, TC will
 review and amend these Internal Nomination Procedures to comply with the new regulations or conditions.
 Amendments to this document will be communicated directly to the affected athletes directly as well as posted on
 the Taekwondo Canada website.

Objective

• The primary objective of this document is to have a fair and transparent Selection Process which selects the best athletes and coaches to represent Canada at official international events

Process for Approval

 High-Performance Director (HPD) will make final decisions based on recommendations from the HPAG (High Performance Advisory Group)

2. Athlete's Eligibility requirements

At the time of nomination to an event, all athletes seeking nomination to the team must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- 2.1 Must be a registered participant in good standing with Taekwondo Canada.
- 2.2 Must be a Kukkiwon Dan / Poom certificate holder.
- 2.3 Must hold a valid World Taekwondo Global Athlete License.
- 2.4 Must be eligible to represent Canada at major international events under the eligibility requirements of World Taekwondo (WT) and Taekwondo Canada (TC). Athletes must be Canadian citizens to represent Canada at official international events or to compete at national championships.
- 2.5 Must not be serving a period of ineligibility for an anti-doping rule violation or be under a provisional suspension following the assertion of an anti-doping rule violation by either WT, the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport or any other Anti-Doping Organization.
- 2.6 Must sign an Athlete Agreement as required by TC
- 2.7 Should any of the eligibility requirements enumerated above change between the time of publication of this document and the time of the event for reasons that are beyond the control of Taekwondo Canada, all athletes will be promptly notified.

3. Athlete General Requirements to Maintain Nomination to a specific team / event

- 3.1 Maintain ongoing eligibility requirements in accordance with Section 2 above.
- 3.2 Athletes must declare to the HPD any injury or illness (as soon as it arises) that can affect their training preparation for the event he or she qualified for.
- 3.3 A medical report (from a TC recognized medical staff) can be requested by the HPD.
- 3.4 A Training & Competition Plan may be required at any time by the HPD in preparation for major events. An athlete may also have to prove appropriate competitive readiness through the submission of a training diary. This submission may, at the HPD's discretion, include:
 - The athlete's training schedule, plans and targets;
 - Updated Test results (on identified gaps from previous tests);
 - Injury status, if applicable; or
 - Injury prevention, treatments and medical intervention strategies, if applicable.

4. Loss of Nomination Status

- 4.1 An athlete's nomination may be withdrawn at any time, even after notification, acceptance, or signing of an Athlete's Agreement, if in the opinion of the HPD, an athlete has failed to:
 - fulfill eligibility to be selected and be Invited (to the team or as an alternate); or
 - fulfill ongoing obligations of the athlete under this policy.

5. Replacement of an athlete

- 5.1 Should an injury or unforeseen circumstance prevent a selected athlete from competing at a specific event for which he or she qualified, the athlete must immediately notify Taekwondo Canada in writing.
- 5.2 The next highest ranked eligible male or female athlete in the selection event MAY be considered as replacement.
- 5.3 The decision to nominate the athlete to that particular event will be made at the sole discretion of the HPD.

6. Exceptional Circumstances

- 6.1 An athlete who does not meet the selection process set out in Section 2 of this document may be considered for selection if she or he meets the conditions of the Exceptional Circumstances provisions of illness, injury or unexpected personal reasons approved by the HPD as being a valid reason to not compete.
- 6.2 Should an injury or unforeseen circumstance prevent an athlete from competing in a selection event, the athlete must notify Taekwondo Canada in writing, within the 10 days before the event, with a thorough explanation. The decision to nominate the athlete to a team will be made at the discretion of the HPD and the ED, taking into consideration the accumulated results during the qualification period, the overall potential of the athlete, and the written explanation of the athlete's health status, recovery, and training plan.

7. Approval and Appeal Process

- 7.1 Final decisions on the selection of athletes to participate on a specific event shall be made by the HPD.
- 7.2 Issues not otherwise addressed by this document shall be resolved by the HPD.
- 7.3 Appeals on matters of Team Selections can be brought directly before the Sport Dispute Resolution Center of Canada (SDRCC), who will then manage the appeal process.

Section 2: Selection Criteria for International Events

TC will select Teams for the following 2021 International events: **Events are subject to change **

- A. Online 2021 WT Poomsae Challenge Series (March to December 2021)
- B. Other possible 2021 WT / WTPA Poomsae Event that might be posted (until January 1, 2022)

A. Online 2021 WT Poomsae Challenge Series (March to December 2021)

NATIONAL QUALIFYING EVENT: 2021 National Online Poomsae Selections: February 6-7, 2021

DIVISIONS COMPETED:

Event Schedule of Online 2021 WT Poomsae Open Challenge

	March 1 (Series I)	June (Series II)	September (Series III)	December (Series Final)
National	Junior (15-17)	Cadet 12-14	Senior Under 30	Grand Championships
Team	(20 21)		Under 40	Top 8 from each Division
(Individual)			Under 50	
•			Under 60	
			Under 65	
			Over 65	
National	Junior (15-17)	Cadet 12-14	Senior Over 17	Grand Championships
Team				Top 8 from each Division
(Freestyle)				
Open	Junior (15-17)	Cadet 12-14	Senior Under 30	Grand Championships
(Individual)		Under 12	Under 40	Top 8 from each Division
		Under 10	Under 50	
		Under 8	Under 60	
			Under 65	
			Under 70	
			Over 70	
Open	- Family Pair (Sibling)	- Family Pair (Sibling)	- Family Pair (Sibling)	Grand Championships
(Pair)	- Family Pair (Couple)	- Family Pair (Couple)	- Family Pair (Couple)	Top 8 from each Series
	- Family Pair (2	- Family Pair (2	- Family Pair (2	
	Generation)	Generation)	Generation)	
	*F(GF) + Song	*F(GF) + Song	*F(GF) + Song	
	*F(GF) + Daughter	*F(GF) + Daughter	*F(GF) + Daughter	
	*M(GM) + Son	*M(GM) + Son	*M(GM) + Son	
	*M(GM) + Daughter	*M(GM) + Daughter	*M(GM) + Daughter	
Open	- Family Team A (2	- Family Team A (2	- Family Team A (2	Grand Championships
(Team)	Generation)	Generation)	Generation)	Top 8 from each Series
3 athletes	- Family Team B (3	- Family Team B (3	- Family Team B (3	
	Generation)	Generation)	Generation)	
Remark		Refugee	Para	Event Grade: G-6 (FINAL)
				N/A Series

SELECTION TO THE TEAM:

- 1st place winners from the 2021 National Online Poomsae Selections will be eligible to participate to the National Team divisions (Individual & Free Style) of the Online 2021 WT Poomsae Challenge Series.
- If the 1st place winner decline to participate to one of the National Team Serie (I, II or III), the position will be offered to the next place (2nd) winner (in the specific Serie that was declined by 1st place winner).
- No more move ups will be allowed. Any athletes (wanting to participate to the Online 2021 WT Poomsae
 Open Challenge) that does not meet the criteria for the National Team divisions will need to enter the
 Open section of these events.

B. Other possible 2021 WT / WTPA Poomsae Event:

NATIONAL QUALIFYING EVENT: 2021 National Online Poomsae Selections: February 6-7, 2021

SELECTION TO THE TEAM:

- As stated in the announcement of the 2021 National Online Poomsae Selections info package, Results from the 2021 Online National Poomsae championships will be used to name athletes to future online event teams if WT or WT Pan America schedule a sanctioned international online championship in 2021.
- This means that 1st place winner will have priority in closed (to National Team) divisions, with a possible move up to 2nd place winner (in the case 1st place winner would decline the position)
- Should there be an in-person event in 2021 and should Canada be unable to host an in-person qualifier due to either restrictions or timing, the 2021 Online National Poomsae championships results will also be used to select athletes for this event as well.
- Taekwondo Canada intends to always use the Results of the latest selection meet to name athletes to upcoming events unless specified otherwise in a separate selection protocol.