



TAEKWONDO CANADA

Selection Protocol

2022 Poomsae Team Selection

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1. INTRODUCTION

Purpose

To select the national team for the 2022 Poomsae World Championships and any other in person official championships.

Objective

The objective of this document is to have a fair and transparent selection process which selects the best athletes and coaches to represent Canada.

Participation of Taekwondo Canada

Taekwondo Canada (TC) is eligible to send up to one entry per division to the 2022 World Poomsae Championships.

2. COVID-19 INFORMATION

All Taekwondo Canada events must and shall follow international, federal, provincial and municipal policies related to COVID-19 and COVID-19 vaccinations. All those participating in sanctioned Taekwondo Canada events shall follow the governmental guidelines of the respective province in which the event is being held. Failure to adhere to these guidelines will prevent the person(s) from participating in the event in any capacity.

3. 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:

- 3.1 Must be a registered participant in good standing with Taekwondo Canada.
- 3.2 Must be a Kukkiwon Dan / Poom certificate holder.
- 3.3 Must hold a valid 2022 World Taekwondo Global Athlete License.
- 3.4 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.
- 3.5 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.
- 3.6 Must sign an Athlete Agreement as required by TC.
- 3.7 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.
- 3.8 All athletes participating in the selection event and who are named to the event team must follow international, federal, provincial and municipal policies related to COVID-19 and COVID-19 vaccinations.

4. ATHLETE GENERAL REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN NOMINATION

- 4.1 Maintain ongoing eligibility requirements in accordance with Second 2 above.
- 4.2 Athletes must declare to the Executive Director (ED) any injury or illness (as soon as it arises) that can affect their training preparation for the event he or she qualified for.
- 4.3 A medical report (from a TC recognized medical staff) can be requested by the ED.
- 4.4 A Training & Competition Plan may be required at any time by the ED 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 ED's discretion, include:
 - 4.4.1 The athlete's training schedule, plans and targets;
 - 4.4.2 Updated Test results (on identified gaps from previous tests);
 - 4.4.3 Injury status, if applicable;

OR

 - 4.4.4 Injury prevention, treatments and medical intervention strategies, if applicable.

5. LOSS OF NOMINATION STATUS

- 5.1 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 ED, an athlete has failed to:
 - 5.1.1 Fulfill eligibility to be selected and be Invited (to the team or as an alternate);

OR

 - 5.1.2 Fulfill ongoing obligations of the athlete under this policy.

6. REPLACEMENT OF AN ATHLETE

- 6.1 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.
- 6.2 The next highest ranked eligible male or female athlete in the selection event MAY be considered as replacement.
- 6.3 The decision to nominate the athlete to that particular event will be made at the sole discretion of the ED.

7. EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES

- 7.1 Due to the timing of the events and the current pandemic situation, no exceptional circumstances will be entertained.

8. APPROVAL AND APPEAL PROCESS

- 8.1 Final decisions on the selection of athletes to participate on a specific event shall be made by the ED.

8.2 Issues not otherwise addressed by this document shall be resolved by the ED.

8.3 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.

9. COACH SELECTION

9.1 Individual coaches may be able to attend the 2022 World Poomsae Championships provided Taekwondo Canada is able to secure ample passes. Should Taekwondo Canada not be able to secure enough coach passes for the event, coaches with multiple athletes on the team will be given priority. If there are still remaining passes, coaches will be selected based on the Executive Director's recommendation to ensure team cohesiveness and best possible performance.

9.2 Coaches will need to sign and comply with a Coach Agreement.

9.3 Coaches who are named to the event team must follow international, federal, provincial and municipal policies related to COVID-19 and COVID-19 vaccinations.

10. FUNDING TO EVENTS

10.1 Funding to events will be dependent on the event budget.

11. 2022 WORLD TAEKWONDO POOMSAE CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 2022 World Taekwondo Poomsae Championships will take place from April 21-24, 2022 in the Republic of Korea with members of the National Poomsae Team selected at the 2022 National Poomsae Championships, which will be held from January 7-9, 2022.

Athletes will be selected to take part in a maximum of TWO (2) categories of competition based upon regulations by World Taekwondo (WT).

Listed Poomsae Divisions

At the 2022 World Taekwondo Poomsae Championships, the National Poomsae Team will have one entry in each of the listed poomsae divisions.

Recognized Poomsae Categories					
Age	Categories				
	Individual		Mixed Pair (2)	Team (3)	
12-14	Cadet Male	Cadet Female	Cadet Pair (Male/Female)	Cadet Male Team	Cadet Female Team
15-17	Junior Male	Junior Female	Junior Pair (Male/Female)	Junior Male Team	Junior Female Team
18-30	Under 30 Male	Under 30 Female	U30 Pair (Male/Female)	U30 Male Team	U30 Female Team
31-40	Under 40 Male	Under 40 Female	O30 Pair (Male/Female)	O30 Male Team	O30 Female Team
41-50	Under 50 Male	Under 50 Female			
51-60	Under 60 Male	Under 60 Female			
61-65	Under 65 Male	Under 65 Female			
66+	Over 65 Male	Over 65 Female			

**Age Divisions are based on the year, rather than the date, of the event. For example, a competitor who has their 18th birthday on December 2, 2022 will compete in the U30 Division for all events held between January 1 and December 31, 2022.*

12. SELECTION PROCESS FOR RECOGNIZED DIVISIONS

Cadet, Junior and U30

Individual Selection

12.1 The athlete who finishes 1st place in each individual poomsae division at the 2022 National Poomsae Championships will be selected as the representative for the corresponding individual poomsae division on the National Poomsae Team.

12.1.1 Should the 1st place decline, the 2nd place will be nominated to the position, should the 2nd place decline, the 3rd place will receive the invitation, and should 3rd place decline, the spot will remain vacant.

Mixed Pair Selection

12.2 The athletes who finish 2nd in each individual poomsae division at the 2022 National Poomsae Championships will be selected as the representative for the corresponding mixed pair poomsae division on the National Poomsae Team.

12.2.1 Should the athlete decline the position, the next highest finishing athlete of the individual division will be nominated to fill the position.

12.2.2 Taekwondo Canada will not invite beyond the top 4 finishers in each category.

Team Selection

12.3 The athletes who finish 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each individual poomsae division per gender at the 2022 National Poomsae Championships will be selected as the representative for the corresponding team poomsae division on the National Poomsae Team.

12.3.1 Should any of the athletes decline the position, the next highest finishing athlete of the individual division will be nominated to fill the position.

12.3.2 Taekwondo Canada will not invite beyond the top 5 finishers in each category.

U40, U50, U60, U65 and O65

Individual Selection

12.4 The athlete who finishes 1st place in each individual poomsae division at the 2022 National Poomsae Championships will be selected as the representative for the corresponding individual poomsae division on the National Poomsae Team

12.4.1 Should the 1st place decline, the 2nd place will be nominated to the position, should the 2nd place decline, the 3rd place will receive the invitation, and should 3rd place decline, the spot will remain vacant.

Mixed Pair Selection

12.5 The male and female athletes with the 1st highest scoring final poomsae score amongst the U40, U50, U60, U65 and O65 divisions will be selected as the representatives for the O30 Pair Division on the National Poomsae Team.

12.5.1 Should the athlete decline the position, the next highest finishing athlete of the individual division will be nominated to fill the position.

12.5.2 Taekwondo Canada will not invite beyond the top 4 finishers in each category.

Team Selection

12.6 The athletes with the 2nd, 3rd and 4th highest scoring final poomsae scores per gender amongst the U40, U50, U60, U65 and O65 divisions will be selected as the representatives for the O30 corresponding Team Division on the National Poomsae Team.

12.6.1 Should any of the athletes decline the position, the next highest finishing athlete of the individual division will be nominated to fill the position.

12.6.2 Taekwondo Canada will not invite beyond the top 5 finishers in each category.

13. SELECTION PROCESS FOR FREESTYLE DIVISIONS

Individual Selection

13.1 The athlete who finishes 1st place in each individual freestyle division at the 2022 National Poomsae Championships will be nominated to the 2022 World Poomsae Championships team provided the division at the World Championships corresponds to the division competed at the National Poomsae Championships.

13.1.1 Should the 1st place decline, the 2nd place will be nominated to the position, should the 2nd place decline, the 3rd place will receive the invitation, and should 3rd place decline, the spot will remain vacant.

Mixed Pair Selection

13.2 The athletes who finish 2nd in each individual freestyle division at the 2022 National Poomsae Championships will be selected as the representative for the corresponding mixed pair poomsae division on the National Poomsae Team.

13.2.1 Should the 2nd place decline, the 3rd place will be nominated to the position, should the 3rd place decline, the 4th place will receive the invitation, and should 4th place decline, no pair will be sent.

13.2.2 Taekwondo Canada will not invite beyond the top 4 finishers in each category.

Team Selection

13.3 The 1st and 2nd place athletes for each individual freestyle division at the 2022 National Poomsae Championships will be selected as members of the freestyle team entry.

13.3.1 Should any of the athletes decline the position, the next highest finishing athlete of the individual division will be nominated to fill the position.

13.3.2 The 5th and 6th (alternate) athlete will be chosen from the highest scoring remaining freestyle athletes between both male and female divisions.

13.3.3 Should the athlete decline, the next highest place will be nominated to the position

13.3.4 Taekwondo Canada will not invite beyond the top 5 finishers in each category.

13.4 The freestyle pairs routine and the freestyle team routine will be developed by the Head Coach.

14. OVER QUALIFYING ATHLETES

14.1 Should there be any athlete who qualifies for more than two (2) entries for National Poomsae Team, the ED reserves the right to have the final decision on which divisions the athletes compete in in consultation with the Head Coach.