



TAEKWONDO CANADA

2021 Senior World
Championships National
Team Selection Criteria



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1. INTRODUCTION

Purpose

The purpose of this criteria is to select the team for the 2021 Senior World Championships.

Objective

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

Participation of Taekwondo Canada

Taekwondo Canada (TC) is obligated to ensure that Canadian athletes are able to participate in a safe environment and therefore, should the event be deemed unsafe, the Executive Director (ED) has the exclusive right to withdraw participation in the event.

2. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Taekwondo Canada can send one (1) athlete per World Taekwondo (WT) weight class to the 2021 Senior World Championships.

2.1 Athletes seeking nomination to the 2021 Senior World Championships team must meet the following requirements:

2.1.1 Must have been born in 2004 or earlier;

2.1.2 Must be a registered participant in good standing with TC;

2.1.3 Must be a Kukkiwon Dan holder;

2.1.4 Must hold a valid 2021 World Taekwondo Global Athlete License;

2.1.5 Must be eligible to represent Canada at major international events under the eligibility requirements of World Taekwondo (WT) and TC;

2.1.6 Must be Canadian citizens to represent Canada at official international events;

2.1.7 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;

2.1.8 Must sign an Athlete Agreement as required by TC;

2.2 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 TC, all athletes will be promptly notified.

3. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN NOMINATION TO A SPECIFIC TEAM OR EVENT

3.1 Athletes must maintain ongoing eligibility requirements in accordance with Section 2 above.

3.2 Athletes must declare to TC any injury or illness (as soon as possible after it arises) that may affect their training and preparation for the event they qualified for.

3.3 A medical or fitness assessment (from a TC recognized medical staff member) may be requested at any time.

4. SELECTION CRITERIA

4.1 Weight Classes

4.1.1 Weight classes will be as per the WT World Weight Classes.

4.2 Criteria

4.2.1 Athletes who have qualified for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Team are automatically granted a position on the 2021 Senior World Championships Team provided they compete in the weight class where they have obtained the highest WT World ranking as of July 2021.

4.2.2 TC will strive to host a selection event no later than the end of August 2021. TC will announce whether it will hold such an event and all details related to the event including date, location and format no later than July 15, 2021.

Only in the event that no domestic selection event be held, selections for the 2021 Senior World Championships, other than athletes who qualified as per section 4.2.1, will be as follows:

4.2.3.1 The highest ranked athlete as per WT World Rankings in each respective weight class as of June 2021 will be selected.

4.2.3.2 If the highest ranked athlete following selection at 4.2.3.1 declines or is deemed ineligible, the next highest ranked athlete in each weight class shall be invited.

4.2.3.3 No nomination shall be made beyond the third highest ranked athlete in each respective weight class. In such case, the position will remain vacant.

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 Agreement, if determined by TC, that 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 under this policy.

6. REPLACEMENT OF AN ATHLETE

6.1 Should an injury or unforeseen circumstance prevent a selected athlete from competing at the World Championships, the athlete must immediately notify TC in writing.

6.2 Subject to 6.3 below, the next highest ranked eligible athlete in accordance with the selection criteria will be named as the replacement. No nomination will be made to the team if the third highest ranked athlete is also unable to compete.

6.3 Ultimately, a decision to nominate a replacement athlete to the World Championships will be made at the sole discretion of the Executive Director (ED).

7. COACH SELECTION

7.1 2021 Senior World Championships Team coaches must meet the standards in the Taekwondo Canada NCCP policy as well as hold a level 2 WT coach license.

7.2 Team coaches must sign and comply with TC's Coach Agreement.

7.3 The number of coaches attending the 2021 Senior World Championships will be based upon the number of coaching passes allocated to TC.

7.3.1 Priority will be given to coaches with multiple athletes on the team.

7.3.2 For remaining passes, coaches will be selected based upon their highest ranked athlete selected to the 2021 Senior World Championships Team, using the June 2021 WT World Ranking.

7.3.3 Should an athlete competing not have an individual personal coach present at the event, TC shall assign the athlete a coach. Athlete interests shall be considered.

8. FUNDING

8.1 Funding of athletes and coaches by TC to the World Championships will be dependent on budget.

9. APPROVAL AND IMPLEMENTATION

9.1 TC is carefully following the evolution of the coronavirus pandemic on the global and domestic level and how it may impact domestic selection of athletes for the 2021 Senior World Championships. Unless otherwise required by exceptional and unforeseen circumstances related to the coronavirus impact, TC will respect this published Team Selection Criteria as written.

However, situations related to the coronavirus pandemic may arise that require these Team Selection Criteria to be modified. Any modifications will be made promptly and as often as needed following developments that directly impact the Team Selection Criteria and their implementation. In such circumstances, any changes will be communicated to all affected individuals as soon as possible.

Further, situations may arise that do not allow Team Selection Criteria to be modified or applied as written due to time constraints or other exceptional and unforeseen circumstances. In such situations, any decision, including nomination decisions, will be made by the ED, as stated in these Team Selection Criteria. Decisions will be made in consultation with the relevant individual(s) or committee(s) and follow the stated performance objectives and selection philosophy. Should it be necessary to make any decision in this manner, TC will communicate with all

affected individuals as soon as possible

9.2 Final confirmation of athletes or coaches to participate in the World Championships shall rest with the ED.

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

10. AMENDMENTS & UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES

10.1 These Team Selection Criteria are intended to apply as drafted and, specifically, where no athletes are prevented from competing because of an unforeseen injury or other unanticipated or unexpected circumstances. Situations may arise where unforeseen circumstances or circumstances beyond the control of TC do not allow competition or selection to take place in a fair manner or the best interests of the priorities and general principles for selection as indicated in these criteria or do not allow the procedure for selection as described in this document to be applied.

In such unforeseen circumstances, the ED will determine if the circumstances justify competition or selection to take place in an alternative manner. In such cases, the ED shall communicate the alternative selection or nomination process to all impacted individuals as soon as possible.

TC reserves the right to review and modify any criteria or decision related to this selection process in the case of rule or policy changes from World Taekwondo that affect the selection criteria set out in this document. If these Team Selection Criteria are modified, TC will promptly post an announcement on its website announcing the changes.

11. APPEAL PROCESS

11.1 Any appeal arising from the selection criteria will be as per TC Appeals Policy.