



# TAEKWONDO CANADA

## Internal Nomination Procedures

### Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games

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# INTERNAL NOMINATION PROCEDURES: ASUNCION 2025 JUNIOR PAN AMERICAN GAMES

<b>Tour Dates:</b>	To be determined (TBD) based on organizing committee arrival and departure requirements.
<b>Competition Dates:</b>	Games dates are August 9 <sup>th</sup> to August 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 2025. Competition dates for taekwondo are August 15 <sup>th</sup> to 17 <sup>th</sup> .
<b>Location:</b>	Asuncion, Paraguay
<b>Kyorugi Team Size:</b>	Maximum of eight (8) athletes, one (1) athlete per Olympic weight class. Subject to obtaining the available quota spots and the maximum team size as allocated by the Canadian Olympic Committee, Taekwondo Canada will nominate a team of three (3) athletes to compete at the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games.
<b>Poomsae Team Size:</b>	Maximum of two (2) athletes, one (1) athlete per gender. Subject to the maximum team size as allocated by the Canadian Olympic Committee, Taekwondo Canada will not nominate any poomsae athletes to compete at the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games.
<b>Team Leader:</b>	Taekwondo Canada may nominate a Team Leader acting as the team manager.
<b>Team Coaches:</b>	Maximum of four (4) coaches for Kyorugi and two (2) coaches for Poomsae. Subject to obtaining the available quota spots and the maximum team size as allocated by the Canadian Olympic Committee, Taekwondo Canada will nominate one (1) Team coach to participate at the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games.
<b>Head Coach:</b>	A Head Coach may be appointed.
<b>Selection Events:</b>	Qualification will be through a ranking process called <i>PATU Under 22 Single Ranking</i> , whose score will be obtained from the final sum of five (5) qualifying events. All athletes must participate in at least four (4) of the five (5) qualification events to be placed in the <i>PATU Under 22 Single Ranking</i> and be eligible to obtain qualification for the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games. <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Panam Series I Sub 22, Mexico, July 2024.</li><li>2. Panam Series II Sub 22, Peru, September 2024.</li><li>3. Panam Series III Sub 22, Cuba, October 2024.</li><li>4. Panam Series IV Sub 22, TBD, March 2025.</li><li>5. Panam Series V Sub 22, Mexico, April 2025.</li></ol>
<b>Responsibilities:</b>	Taekwondo Canada is responsible for developing and approving the INP for the team that will be nominated to the Canadian Olympic Committee (COC) for the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games. All team nominations, including alternates (if applicable) and staff, will be ratified by the High Performance Director (HPD). The HPD is responsible for ensuring that the process outlined in this document is properly followed and that the selection process is fair and equitable for all candidates.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 **Purpose:** The purpose of this INP is to select individuals for nomination to the COC for the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games.
- 1.2 **Objective:** The objective of the INP is to outline a clear and fair process that describes how athletes are identified and selected for nomination to the national team competing at the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games.
- 1.3 **Participation of Taekwondo Canada:** Taekwondo Canada will nominate up to three (3) Kyorugi athletes to compete at the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games.

- 1.4 **Rationale:** Taekwondo Canada is dedicated to developing high performance athletes with a focus on competing at the highest levels of international competitions. This document outlines our procedures as they pertain to domestic and international ranking and selection. These procedures include qualification standards and processes for qualification for the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games.

## 2. DECISION MAKING AUTHORITY

- 2.1 Nominations to Taekwondo Canada's Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games Team will be selected by the HPD.
- 2.2 All Taekwondo Canada nominations are also subject to the approval of the COC.
- 2.3 The HPD has the final authority over the nomination of the team. After the selection process is completed, if any spots remain unfilled, the HPD has the authority to fill those spots.
- 2.4 If unanticipated circumstances arise that are not covered in the selection criteria, a final and binding decision will be made by the HPD
- 2.5 The HPD will confirm the final team composition for all major championships and Games using the criteria published in this document.
- 2.6 On-site Decision Making Authority:
- 2.6.1 During the actual competition period onsite at the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games, all final decision making authority will reside with the HPD or designated Team Leader.
- 2.6.2 If the HPD or designated Team Leader is prevented from exercising their functions for any reason, the authority to make decisions in accordance with this INP shall be vested in the Head Coach or named Team Coach until the HPD or designated Team Leader is able to resume their functions.

## 3. INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION CRITERIA

- 3.1 The Pan American Sports Organization (PASO) criteria can be found at <https://www.panamsports.org/en/documents/>, and in the event of a discrepancy, the original PASO version will prevail. In the event of changes by PASO to the selection and eligibility criteria, Taekwondo Canada is bound by these changes and will inform impacted individuals as soon as possible.
- 3.2 These INP are based on World Taekwondo (WT) and the Pan American Taekwondo Union (PATU) rules and regulations as presently known and understood and on the latest information available to Taekwondo Canada. Any changes in the selection criteria and procedures necessitated by a change in WT and/or PATU rules and regulations will be distributed to the affected athletes as soon as reasonably possible. Should such a circumstance occur, Taekwondo Canada will review and amend these INPs to comply with the new regulations or conditions. However, any modifications made to WT and/or PATU rules and regulations shall come into effect as of the date specified by WT, irrespective of the date on which this INP has been modified. Amendments to this document will be communicated directly to the affected athletes, as well as posted on the Taekwondo Canada website.
- 3.3 The PASO criteria linked in 3.1 represent the most current copy of the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games qualification system of PASO. An athlete nominated by Taekwondo Canada must also qualify for entry in the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games according to the PASO qualification system.
- 3.4 PASO has established that a maximum of 84 taekwondo athletes may participate in the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games. PASO has established that each member federation has a maximum of eight (8) Kyorugi and two (2) Poomsae quota places for the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games subject to qualification. Out of these quota places, COC has allocated for three (3) athletes to compete at the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games.

## 4. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

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

- 4.1 The athletes must be in the U22 category, born between 2004 and 2009.
- 4.2 Must be a registered participant in good standing with Taekwondo Canada.
- 4.3 Must be a Kukkiwon Dan holder.
- 4.4 Must hold a valid 2025 World Taekwondo Global Athlete License.
- 4.5 Must be eligible to represent Canada at major international events under the eligibility requirements of WT and Taekwondo Canada.
- 4.6 Athletes must be Canadian citizens to represent Canada at official international events or to compete at National Championships.
- 4.7 Have a valid Canadian passport that does not expire prior to February 23, 2026.
- 4.8 Be in compliance with all relevant WT, PATU, PASO, and COC requirements for eligibility.
- 4.9 Sign, submit, and comply with the COC Athlete Agreement and Eligibility Conditions form for Pan American Games no later than the COC nomination deadline. Where the athlete is under the age of 19 years, the parent or guardian must also sign these agreements.
- 4.10 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.
- 4.11 Must sign an Athlete Agreement as required by Taekwondo Canada.
- 4.12 Athletes named to compete in the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games will be required to comply with dress code regulations of Taekwondo Canada and the COC. This will include Official Team Competition Clothing Policy and the Official Team Podium/Parade Clothing Policy.
- 4.13 Athletes named to the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games will only be allowed to use equipment that meets the rules and regulations of WT and/or PASO.
- 4.14 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.

## 5. TAEKWONDO CANADA ATHLETE SELECTION PROCESS

- 5.1 Qualification will be through a ranking process called *PATU Under 22 Single Ranking* ([https://taekwondo-canada.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/RANKING\\_KYORUGUI\\_SUB\\_22\\_-\\_ENGLISH.pdf](https://taekwondo-canada.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/RANKING_KYORUGUI_SUB_22_-_ENGLISH.pdf)), whose score will be obtained from the final sum of five (5) qualifying events. All athletes must participate in at least four (4) of the five (5) qualification events to be placed in the *PATU Under 22 Single Ranking* and be eligible to obtain qualification for the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games.
  - Panam Series I Sub 22, Mexico, July 2024.
  - Panam Series II Sub 22, Peru, September 2024.
  - Panam Series III Sub 22, Cuba, October 2024.
  - Panam Series IV Sub 22, TBD, March 2025.
  - Panam Series V Sub 22, Mexico, April 2025.
- 5.2 Based on the maximum team size as allocated by the COC, a maximum of three (3) Kyorugi athletes, and zero (0) Poomsae athletes can obtain direct qualification by *PATU Under 22 Single Ranking*.
  - 5.2.1 To earn selection, athletes must finish in the top six (6) per *PATU Under 22 Single Ranking* in one of the Kyorugi or Poomsae divisions.

- 5.2.2 Wild Cards may be granted to countries that have participated in any of the five (5) qualification events but have not qualified any athlete via top six (6) *PATU Under 22 Single Ranking*.
- 5.3 The PATU qualifying events will be held in Open format with the respective authorization of PATU.
- 5.4 In the event of a tie on *PATU Under 22 Single Ranking* points, the best result at the series of five (5) qualification events will be utilized.
- 5.4.1 If the tie persists after 5.4 as the competitors have the same finishing positions, the result of the last event will prevail.
- 5.4.2 If the tie persists after 5.4.1, the competitor who participated in the most qualification events will prevail.
- 5.4.3 If the tie persists after 5.4.2, the PATU technical commission will establish a solution for the tiebreaker.
- 5.5 Upon conclusion of the five (5) *PATU Under 22 Single Ranking* qualification events, athletes that have met the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games qualification criteria as outlined by PATU *and* fit within the maximum team size as allocated by the COC will be nominated by name to the COC. PATU will confirm quota places after the *PATU Under 22 Single Ranking* qualification points have been finalized.
- 5.5.1 Given that the COC has allocated a maximum team size for taekwondo of three (3) athletes; athletes that have earned qualification via the *PATU Under 22 Single Ranking* system will be nominated to that maximum team size allocation.
- 5.5.2 If Taekwondo Canada has more qualified athletes than the COC team size allocation, the best result at the series of five (5) qualification events will be utilized to rank the eligible athletes for nomination up to the maximum team size allocation.
- i. If a tie exists after 5.5.2 as the competitors have the same finishing positions, the best result at the last event will prevail.
  - ii. If the tie persists after 5.5.2.i, the competitor who participated in the most qualification events will prevail.
  - iii. If the tie persists after 5.5.2.ii, the HPD will establish a solution for the tiebreaker
- 5.6 If necessary, PATU will reallocate unused quota places to the next best placed athlete that has not yet qualified. Taekwondo Canada eligible athletes that did not earn their spot through 5.2 and 5.5 will also be nominated to the COC if they are awarded the unclaimed quota spot.
- 5.6.1 Given that the COC has allocated a maximum team size for taekwondo of three (3) athletes; athletes that have earned qualification via the reallocation of an unused quota spot will be nominated to that maximum team size allocation.
- i. If Taekwondo Canada has more qualified athletes than the COC team size allocation after the application of Article 5.5, then the reallocation of an unused quota spot will be declined.
  - ii. If Taekwondo Canada has less qualified athletes than the COC team size allocation after the application of Article 5.5, then eligible athletes that have received a reallocation of an unused quota spot will be nominated to that maximum team size allocation.
  - iii. If a tie exists after 5.6.1.ii as the competitors have the same finishing positions, the best result at the last event will prevail.
  - iv. If the tie persists after 5.6.1.iii, the competitor who participated in the most qualification events will prevail.
  - v. If the tie persists after 5.6.1.iv, the HPD will establish a solution for the tiebreaker
- 5.7 Final Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games team selection will be announced following COC approval and timelines. The COC team nomination deadline is July 15, 2025.

## 6. COMPETITIVE READINESS

- 6.1 “Competitive readiness” is defined as the ability of the athlete to achieve equal or superior performance(s) at the scheduled event, as compared to the performance(s) the athlete achieved in qualifying.
- 6.2 Athletes must agree to participate in any Taekwondo Canada designated camps related to this event. Failure to comply will lead to removal from the team.
- 6.3 Athletes who do not remain competitively ready by reason of lack of fitness, injury, or illness may be removed from team based on proximity and dates of competition.
- 6.4 Taekwondo Canada’s HPD and the National Team Physician will make the final decision on competitive readiness in concert once the nomination and selection processes are completed. These two individuals will have absolute discretion about which factors they will consider in making their final decision.
- 6.5 Injured or ill athletes may be subject to a proof of readiness to be determined by the HPD and National Team Physician in consultation with the athlete’s personal coach. These athletes will not travel with the team until this requirement has been satisfied. Final decisions on the selection of athletes to participate in a specific event shall be made by the HPD.
- 6.6 Injuries or illnesses that occur after the nomination and selection deadlines will be dealt with similarly, and subject to Games related Late Athlete Replacement Policy. If an athlete is injured during the Games, a decision regarding their continued participation at the Games will be made by the Chef de Mission Team, in consultation with the COC Chief Medical Officer, Taekwondo Canada Team Leader and the Integrated Support Team (IST) member responsible for the sport, and the athlete, and shall be governed by the terms of the Team Canada Athlete Agreement.

## 7. LOSS OF NOMINATION STATUS

- 7.1 During the nomination and qualification period, the Decision Making Authority (DMA) as outlined in Section 2 may, at any time, and at their discretion, remove an athlete from the Canadian Team if, after following the relevant and applicable disciplinary process, the athlete has been found to have violated Taekwondo Canada’s Code of Conduct. Taekwondo Canada will advise the affected athlete, in writing, of their decision to remove them from the Canadian Team.
- 7.2 Athletes must maintain ongoing eligibility requirements in accordance with Section 4.
- 7.3 Team nomination to the COC is subject to the approval of the COC Team Selection Committee. Reasons for removal may include, but are not limited to:
  - 7.3.1 Inability to maintain high training standards.
  - 7.3.2 Inability to meet performance expectations in competition.
  - 7.3.3 Failure to respect any conditions indicated in the signed Taekwondo Canada Athlete Agreement.
  - 7.3.4 Inability to perform due to injury, illness or for other medical reasons as determined by Taekwondo Canada’s medical staff and in consultation with COC Chief Doctor once on-site.
  - 7.3.5 Violation of signed Taekwondo Canada Team Protocols.
  - 7.3.6 Violation of the Taekwondo Canada Code of Conduct as signed in the Taekwondo Canada Athlete Agreement.
  - 7.3.7 Detrimental conduct to the team and/or the image of Taekwondo Canada or the national team program.
  - 7.3.8 Failure to adhere to the anti-doping rules or requirements of any anti-doping organization with authority over the athlete.
- 7.4 After nomination to the COC, the DMA reserves the right to withdraw an athlete’s nomination from the Canadian Team:
  - 7.4.1 If the athlete has not taken part in the mandatory training camps organised by Taekwondo Canada prior to the event.

- 7.4.2 If the athlete has not fulfilled their responsibilities as identified in the Taekwondo Canada Athlete Agreement.
- 7.4.3 If the athlete has not fulfilled their responsibilities as identified in the Taekwondo Canada Code of Conduct as signed in the Taekwondo Canada Athlete Agreement.
- 7.4.4 If the athlete has not followed any previously communicated training program and/or competition requirements.
- 7.4.5 If the athlete fails to respect any other conditions of nomination as specified by Taekwondo Canada at the time of nomination.
- 7.5 After the athlete has been nominated to the Canadian Team, the COC may remove an athlete from the Team if, after following the relevant and applicable disciplinary process, the athlete is found to have violated the COC's Code of Conduct, the terms of the COC Athlete Agreement or any other relevant and applicable COC policy

## 8. CONFIRMATION OF ENTRIES

- 8.1 After the *PATU Under 22 Single Ranking* qualification points have been finalized, Taekwondo Canada shall determine the athletes (and alternate athletes if applicable) it proposes to nominate to the COC for positions on the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games Team. Subject to any revisions required by an athlete's decision to decline a nomination to be a member of the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games Team, by an athlete's inability to participate at a competitive level due to a health-related curtailment of activities, or subject to the reallocation of unused quota places by PATU, Taekwondo Canada shall submit its list of athletes and any potential alternates being nominated to the COC for the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games Team by no later than July 15, 2025.
- 8.2 Substitutions after the July 15, 2025, nomination deadline to the COC are subject to the approval of the COC Team Selection Committee. Any such replacements are also subject to the PASO Late Athlete Replacement Policy for the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan Am Games.
- 8.3 Should a nominated athlete, at any time between the sport entry deadline and the sport technical meeting for the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games, decline their nomination or be declared unable to participate in a competitive manner, that athlete shall be replaced, subject to the approval of the COC Team Selection Committee. Any replacements in relation to quota spots that have been earned by name shall be regulated by the applicable regulations of WT and/or PATU as well as the PASO Late Athlete Replacement Policy for Pan Am Games.
  - 8.3.1 For an athlete to be considered as a replacement, the athlete must have been nominated as an alternate on or before the COC Team Nomination deadline. Note that the Canadian Olympic Team privileges will be transferred to the incoming athlete while the privileges of the athlete who is being replaced will be re-evaluated by the COC and the NSO.

## 9. AMENDMENTS AND UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES

- 9.1 Any changes to this document shall be communicated directly to all affected parties. This clause shall not be used to justify changes after a competition or trials which formed part of these INP unless it is related to an unforeseen circumstance. This is to allow for changes to this document that may become necessary due to a typographical error or a lack of clarity in a definition or wording before it has an impact on athletes. In the event of a change to this document, Taekwondo Canada shall inform the COC of the changes and the reasons for those changes as soon as possible.
- 9.2 In the event of unforeseen circumstances beyond the control of Taekwondo Canada that prevents the HPD from fairly implementing these Internal Nomination Procedures as written, Taekwondo Canada's Executive Director (ED) shall have the full discretion to resolve the matter as they see fit, considering factors and circumstances that they deem relevant.



- 9.3 In situations where unforeseen circumstances do not allow the selection process to be fairly and objectively applied, the HPD in consultation with the ED, reserves the right to rule on an appropriate course of action.
- 9.4 The HPD reserves the right to review and modify any selection criteria or decision related to the selection process in the case of rule or policy changes from WT and/or PASO that affect the selection criteria set out in this document. In the event that the selection criteria is modified, Taekwondo Canada will promptly post an announcement on its website announcing the changes.
- 9.5 Further, situations may arise that do not allow the selection criteria to be modified or applied as written due to time constraints or other exceptional or unforeseen circumstances. In such situations, any decision, including selection to teams, will be made by Taekwondo Canada's HPD, in accordance with the selection principles as stated herein. Should it be necessary to make any decision in this manner, Taekwondo Canada will communicate with all affected individuals as soon as possible.
- 9.6 Should it be necessary to cancel or postpone any event specified in this INP that is conducted under the authority of Taekwondo Canada, such decision shall be made by the relevant person(s) or body within Taekwondo Canada under whose authority the event was originally to be held.
- 9.6.1 Decisions to cancel or postpone any event specified in this INP shall be made:
- i. Only when absolutely necessary, such as when it has become impossible or unreasonably difficult to hold the event at all or on the originally scheduled date.
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- ii. As soon as reasonably possible after Taekwondo Canada has become aware that the event cannot be held.
- 9.6.2 If any event specified in this INP is canceled, Taekwondo Canada shall determine whether it is feasible to reschedule the event in a different location and on a different date than previously scheduled and shall communicate any such decisions to reschedule the event to all impacted individuals as soon as reasonably possible, taking into account the time needed for athletes to prepare for the rescheduled event and for any logistical matters in relation to the event to be addressed, including, but not limited to, any matters related to Taekwondo Canada's organization of the event, as well as athlete and athlete entourage travel to the location of the rescheduled event.
- 9.6.3 Taekwondo Canada may also determine, at its sole discretion, following consultation with the relevant and necessary individuals and/or committees within Taekwondo Canada's structure, to hold alternative replacement events or assessments for the purpose of nomination to the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games Team, but only where feasible and where the nomination procedure indicated in this INP, including the stated performance objectives, are not prejudiced.
- 9.6.4 Should any event specified in this INP be canceled, postponed, rescheduled or replaced, Taekwondo Canada shall update the nomination procedures indicated in this INP, as applicable, as soon as reasonably possible and shall communicate any modifications to all impacted individuals, as well as publish the modified INP on its website, prior to the postponed, rescheduled or replacement event.
- 9.6.5 Decisions made pursuant to this clause shall not be subject to appeal and do not apply to the cancellation of events that are conducted under the authority of organizations other than Taekwondo Canada.
- 9.7 Taekwondo Canada may be required, in the best interests of athlete, athlete entourage and staff safety, to not travel to and participate in events indicated in this INP that will be used for nomination to the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games Team, even in circumstances when the event may proceed as planned. Any such decisions will be made in consultation with relevant experts, including medical and public health safety experts, and will be communicated to all impacted individuals as soon as possible.
- 9.7.1 In such circumstances, Taekwondo Canada will determine if alternate events may be attended as a substitute for the event that Taekwondo Canada has decided not to participate

in and, if so, will modify this INP accordingly, and inform all impacted individuals as soon as possible.

- 9.7.2 When making decisions regarding Taekwondo Canada's travel to and participation in events for safety reasons, Taekwondo Canada will endeavour to minimize any impact of such decisions on Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games qualification, obtaining Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games quota spots and domestic nomination to the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games Team. However, depending on the circumstances, athlete, athlete entourage and staff safety may be prioritized based on the advice of medical and public health safety experts.
- 9.7.3 Taekwondo Canada recognizes that athletes, athlete entourage and staff may, for safety reasons may decide not to travel to and participate in events indicated in this INP that will be used for nomination to the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games Team, even in circumstances when the event may proceed as planned, and even when Taekwondo Canada has decided that it will travel to and participate in the event because it has decided, following consultation with medical and public health safety experts, that it is safe to do so.
- i. In such circumstances, athletes will be responsible for any impact that their decision may have on their Pan American Games qualification, ability to obtain Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games quota spots or domestic nomination to the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games Team.

## 10. APPROVAL AND APPEAL PROCESS

- 10.1 Taekwondo Canada nominations to the COC for the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games may be appealed in accordance with the procedures set out in Taekwondo Canada's Appeal Policy. Any dispute relating to Taekwondo Canada's INP for the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games must be brought according to said Policy or may be brought directly to the Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada (SDRCC) with the consent of all parties.
- 10.2 If an appeal is urgent and a decision must be made quickly, both parties may agree to bypass the internal appeal process and have the matter heard directly before the SDRCC.
- 10.3 Internal appeals shall be made in writing to Taekwondo Canada to the attention of the ED. The appeals must follow Taekwondo Canada's appeal procedures in place at the time the team is announced and can be found at: <https://taekwondo-canada.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/TC-Policy-Appeal-Revised-March-2022.pdf>.
- 10.4 Appeals must be filed no later than 11:59pm (in the local time zone of the appellant) on April 20, 2025.
- 10.5 Issues not otherwise addressed by this selection document shall be resolved by the HPD.

## 11. INTERNAL NOMINATION PROCEDURES PUBLICATION

- 11.1 Taekwondo Canada's INP for the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games will be published prior to January 9, 2025. The INP will be circulated via Taekwondo Canada's social media accounts and posted on Taekwondo Canada's website. All subsequent amendments to the approved INP will be circulated via Taekwondo Canada's social media accounts and posted on Taekwondo Canada's website.
- 11.2 All NSO INPs must adhere to dates stated in the published COC Team Selection Policy. This policy sets the deadlines by which the COC must receive nominations so any nomination decisions must be completed in advance of that deadline.

## 12. STAFF SELECTION

- 12.1 Taekwondo Canada nominated Team Leaders must satisfy the expectations and requirements of the Canadian Olympic Committee’s [Team Leader Position Description](#).
- 12.2 The HPD has the sole discretion in selecting the support staff including Team Leader and coach(es) for the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games Team. The support staff will be selected based on the principle of sending a team of specialists that is best capable of assisting athletes in achieving podium performances at the Games. All selections are subject to COC approval.
- 12.3 A maximum of one (1) coach will be selected. *PATU Under 22 Single Ranking* and coaches with multiple athletes nominated to the team will be prioritized for coach appointments. Overall team composition and bilingual coaching support will also be considered.
- 12.4 Coach eligibility requirements:
  - 12.4.1 Must be 21 years of age or older at the time of the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games.
  - 12.4.2 Must be Performance Coach certified and have a valid Registered Coach or Chartered Professional Coach membership with the Coaching Association of Canada.
  - 12.4.3 Must be a registered participant in good standing with Taekwondo Canada.
  - 12.4.4 Be in compliance with all relevant WT, PATU, PASO, and COC requirements for eligibility.
  - 12.4.5 Have a valid passport that does not expire prior to February 23, 2026.
  - 12.4.6 Sign, submit, and comply with the COC Support Staff Agreement and Eligibility Conditions form for Pan American Games no later than the COC nomination deadline.
  - 12.4.7 Must hold a valid 2025 World Taekwondo Global License.
  - 12.4.8 Must be eligible to represent Canada at major international events under the eligibility requirements of WT and Taekwondo Canada.
  - 12.4.9 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.
  - 12.4.10 Must sign a Coach, Management, and Staff Agreement as required by Taekwondo Canada.
  - 12.4.11 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 coaches will be promptly notified.

## 13. TIMELINES SUMMARY

13.1 The following table provides a summary of key dates and associated requirements:

Date	Associated Requirement
July, 2024	Panam Series I Sub 22, Mexico.
September, 2024	Panam Series II Sub 22, Peru.
October, 2024	Panam Series III Sub 22, Cuba.
January 9, 2025	INP published and circulated.
March, 2025	Panam Series IV Sub 22, TBD.
April, 2025	Panam Series V Sub 22, Mexico.
TBD, 2025	PATU confirmation notification for qualified athletes.
TBD, 2025	COC confirmation to PATU for accepted qualified athletes.
TBD, 2025	Notification of qualification through the reallocation of unused quota places by PATU.
TBD, 2025	COC confirmation to PATU for accepted reallocation of unused quota places.

April 20, 2025	Deadline for filing an appeal to Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games team selection.
May 9, 2025	Entry by number deadline.
July 15, 2025	Deadline for team nomination to the COC.
July 19, 2025	Entry by name deadline.
TBD	Deadline for signing and submitting all required Taekwondo Canada and COC documents, forms, and agreements.
TBD	If applicable, mandatory Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games team training camp.

## 14. FUNDING

- 14.1 Funding for the Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games team and any associated mandatory training camps will be dependent on the Taekwondo Canada high performance event budget.

## 15. CONTACT

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## 16. GLOSSARY

**COC:** Canadian Olympic Committee

**DMA:** Decision Making Authority

**ED:** Executive Director

**HPD:** High Performance Director

**INP:** Internal Nomination Procedures

**IST:** Integrated Support Team

**PASO:** Pan American Sports Organization

**PATU:** Pan American Taekwondo Union

**SDRCC:** Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada

**TBD:** To Be Determined

**WT:** World Taekwondo