

ATHLETE SELECTION PROCEDURES

World University Games: Recurve and Compound and Other Collegiate International Events

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1. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- 1.1. Provide the minimum eligibility requirements for an athlete to be considered for selection to the **SELF-FUNDED** 2025 World University Games team (the Team):
 - 1.1.1. Nationality/Passport requirements:
 - To be eligible to participate as a member of a National Team in International Events, an athlete shall have a valid passport from the country of which they are a National Team Member and shall not have represented any other Member Association as a National Team Member for at least one year before the date of the competition.
 - ii. If an athlete wants to compete for a National Team other than the one for which they hold a valid passport, they shall have resided in the new country for at least one year before the date of the competition and shall have the written permission of the Member Association, if any, of the country from which they have a valid passport.
 - iii. An athlete who has changed their nationality, or acquired a new nationality, will need to notify World Archery of the change before they compete internationally representing USA and may not represent the USA until one year after such a change or acquisition.
 - iv. An athlete who has a valid passport of two or more countries at the same time may represent either of them, as they choose. They shall, however, meet the conditions laid down in i. through iii. above.
 - 1.1.2. Other Requirements:
 - i. Athletes must be members in good standing with USA Archery.
 - ii. Athletes must be born between January 1, 2000 and December 31, 2007
 - iii. Athletes must register and pay for entry into the 2025 World University Games U.S. Team Trials Event and review to the Intent to Compete Form, and also register and pay for entry into the associated 2025 Collegiate Target Nationals event in the appropriate category (Recurve or Compound) by the stated deadlines.
 - iv. Athlete mist sign all forms required by USA Archery and the WUG Organizer
 - v. Any athlete age 18+ will be required to complete a USA Archery background screen.
 - vi. Any athlete age 18+ will be required to maintain a current U.S. Center for SafeSport training.
 - vii. Athletes must meet all health and safety protocols, to include vaccine requirements and/or testing requirements set forth by the government, USOPC, World Archery and/or the local organizing committee.
 - viii. Athlete must be willing to self-fund to this event. Expenses are anticipated to be between \$2,500 and \$3,000 per person.

1.1.3 Meet at least one of the following academic criteria:

- Students who are currently officially registered as proceeding towards a degree or diploma at a university or similar institute whose status is recognized by the appropriate national academic authority of their country or who have taken at least one 3-credit course progressing towards a degree or diploma within the last year before the WUG event.
- ii. Former students of the institutions, who have graduated in the year proceeding the event will be eligible. All graduates will be required to submit a copy of their diploma

and graduating date.

- iii. Incoming freshman and transfer students are usually eligible. The standard is that the athlete must be "progressing toward a degree." Students finishing high-school and entering the university in Fall of 2025 and transfer students shall present a letter from the university that they have or will achieve a high school diploma, have been accepted in the university, proof of a financial deposit to the university, and provided the eligibility certificate stamped both by the University, when applicable.
- 1.2. WUG U.S. Team Trials Event:
 - **1.2.1.** The athlete must attend the following U.S. Team Trials event to receive ranking points.

• 2025 World University Games U.S. Team Trials Event held in conjunction with the USA Archery 2025 Collegiate Target Nationals

All event names, dates and locations will be announced at least 45 days prior to the event and will be posted on the USA Archery website at <u>http://www.usarchery.org.</u> As event details are subject to change, athletes are encouraged to regularly check the calendar of events to ensure they are current with any schedule changes. The 2025 World University Games U.S. Team Trials calendar is published at <u>https://www.usarchery.org/events/national-</u> <u>tournaments/US-archery-team-trials</u>. USA Archery will inform athletes of any changes made that are outside of the 45-day window via email and will also post schedule updates online as soon as the changes are known.

1.2.2 Describe how athletes qualify for the events listed in 1.2.1:

The 2025 World University Games U.S. Team Trials selection process is described in Appendix A of this document.

The 2025 World University Games U.S. Team Trials will be an open event, and athletes will need to meet all necessary registration requirements listed above prior to the start of competition.

- 1.2.2.1 Registration information and deadlines will be posted at <u>www.usarchery.org</u>. If any USA Archery rules, policies and procedures are updated, athletes will be provided with the relevant documents and will be required to sign an updated intent to compete form, including agreeing to abide by and be bound by those rules, policies, and procedures as a condition of participation.
- 1.3. Provide a comprehensive, step-by-step description of the method that explains how athletes will go through the selection process.

The maximum team size per country for Archery is three (3) athletes per gender and division for Recurve and Compound.

The U.S. Team Trials selection process is defined in Appendix A.

2. DISCRETIONARY SELECTION (if applicable)

2.1. Provide rationale for utilizing discretionary selection (if any): N/A

3. REMOVAL OF ATHLETES

- 3.1 An athlete who is to be nominated to the Team may be removed for any of the following reasons, as determined by USA Archery:
 - 3.1.1. Voluntary withdrawal. Athlete must submit a written letter to the USA Archery High Performance staff at international_teams@usarchery.org.
 - 3.1.2. Injury or illness as certified by a physician (or medical staff) approved by USA Archery. If an athlete refuses verification of their illness or injury by a physician (or medical staff) approved by USA Archery, their injury will be assumed to be disabling, and they may be removed.
 - 3.1.3. Failure to participate in Mandatory Training and/or Competition as defined in Section 9 of these procedures.
 - 3.1.4. Violation of USA Archery's <u>Intent to Compete Form</u> or USA Archery's <u>Code of</u> <u>Conduct</u>.

An athlete who is removed from the Team pursuant to this provision has the right to a hearing per USA Archery's Bylaws, Section 15 and/or the USOPC Bylaws, Section 9 or Section 19 as appropriate.

3.2. An athlete may be removed as a nominee to the Team or from the Team for an adjudicated violation of IPC, WADA, WA, USADA and/or USOPC anti-doping protocol, policies, and procedures, as well as the U.S. Center for SafeSport Code, the USOPC Athlete Safety Policy and USA Archery's SafeSport Policy and Background Screen Criteria and Review Policy, as applicable.

4. REPLACEMENT OF ATHLETES

- 4.1. Describe the selection and approval process for determining replacement athlete(s) should a vacancy occur:
 - 4.1.1. Should a vacancy occur prior to submission of Entries by Name to the Local Organizing Committee, USA Archery will select the next available eligible athlete based on the final ranking from the selection process described in Appendix A. Replacement athletes must also meet all the requirements listed in Section 1.1.
 - 4.1.2. Should a vacancy occur after submission of Entries by Name to the Local Organizing Committee, providing replacements are allowed, USA Archery will select the next available eligible athlete based on the final ranking from the selection process described in Appendix A. Replacement athletes must also meet all the requirements listed in Section 1.1.

5. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

USA Archery will retain the approved Selection Procedures and all supporting documents, and data from the selection process for six months past the event date.

6. **REQUIRED DOCUMENTS**

The following documents are required to be signed by an athlete as a condition of nomination to the Team:

- USA Archery Intent to Compete Form
- USA Archery Athlete Agreement
- Participant Waiver and Release Form

7. PUBLICITY/DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEDURES

The USOPC approved Selection Procedures (complete and unaltered) will be posted/published by USA Archery in the following location(s):

7.1. USA Archery website: <u>www.usarchery.org</u>

These procedures will be posted as soon as possible, but not more than five business days following approval.

8. DATE OF NOMINATION

Nomination of athletes, including replacements, will be announced to all athletes, and submitted to World Archery on or before the final nomination deadline.

9. MANDATORY TRAINING AND/OR COMPETITION

The dates, locations and schedules of any mandatory training will be announced to team members through the Athlete Stipend and Support Program document and posted at <u>www.usarchery.org</u> at least 30 days in advance of the event, if applicable.

Waivers from mandatory training and/or competition are not permitted, unless there are extraordinary circumstances, in which case, a request for an exception will be reviewed and either accepted or rejected USA Archery in consultation with the USOPC AAC Athlete representative or their alternate, if needed.

10. ANTI-DOPING REQUIREMENTS

Athletes must adhere to all IPC, WADA, WA, USADA and USOPC anti-doping protocols, policies and procedures, as applicable. This includes participation in Out-of-Competition Testing as required by the IPC, WADA, WA, USADA and USOPC rules, as applicable.

11. SELECTION PROCEDURES COMMITTEE

The Selection Procedures Committee Representatives include:

- USA Archery, Chief of Sport Performance and Operations, Mary Emmons
- USA Archery, Director of Events, Amanda Mangum
- USA Archery Coach Advisory Council Representative, Linda Beck
- Team USA AC Representative, Jacob Wukie
- Team USA AC Alternate, Heather Koehl

Once these procedures were developed, the USA Archery Athlete Advisory Council (<u>https://www.usarchery.org/about/committees</u>) was provided the document for further review/approval.

12. USA ARCHERY GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

The USA Archery Disciplinary Proceedings and Grievance Policy can be found at: www.usarchery.org.

13. INTERNATIONAL DISCLAIMER

These procedures are based on IPC and/or WA rules and regulations as presently known and understood. Any change in the selection procedures caused by a change in IPC and/or WA rules and regulations will be distributed to the affected athletes immediately. The selection criteria are based on the latest information available to USA Archery. However, the selections are always subject to unforeseen, intervening circumstances, and realistically may not have accounted for every possible contingency.

If any force of nature, or force majeure, should cause the alteration or cancellation of any of the selection events listed in this document, these selection procedures will be revised, pursuant to their resubmission to the USOPC.

14. ATHLETE OMBUDS OFFICE

The Athlete Ombuds Office provides cost-free, independent and confidential advice regarding athlete rights, grievance procedures and any other related guidance pertaining to selection procedures and can assist in mediating disputes between athletes and USA Archery.

To contact the Athlete Ombuds Office: PHONE: (719) 866-5000 EMAIL: <u>ombudsman@usathlete.org</u> WEBSITE: www.usathlete.org

15. USA ARCHERY SIGNATURES

I certify that I have read and understand the standards/criteria set World Archery and incorporated those standards/criteria into our Selection Procedures, when applicable. I further certify that the information provided herein regarding Athlete Selection Procedures represents the method approved by USA Archery.

Position	Print Name	Signature	Date
CEO, USA Archery	Rod Menzer	Rod Merzen	11/17/24
Chief of Sport Performance and Operations, USA Archery	Mary Emmons	Mary J. Enmons	11/17/24
Team USA AC Representative*	Jacob Wukie	Jærsk hulie	11/17/24

* If the Team USA AC Representative has delegated authority to the Alternate Team USA AC Representative to sign the Selection Procedures, attach a letter from the Team USA AC Representative indicating the reason they have delegated authority.

* Signature by the Athlete Representative constitutes that they have read and understands the Selection Procedures. If the Athlete Representative reads and does not agree with the Athlete Selection Procedures being submitted by USA Archery, they may submit those reasons in writing to USA Archery at intrnational teams@usarchery.org.

APPENDIX A

Athlete Selection Procedures

WUG U.S. Team Trials Schedule and Format

<u>Schedule</u>

The trials will be conducted in conjunction with the 2025 Collegiate Target Nationals event. Date and location to be announced at least 60 days prior to the event.

SHOOTING SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Format Qualification Round #1: 72 Arrow Round

1. ATHLETE RANKING PROCESS

- 1.1 One 72-arrow Qualification Round will be shot. Compound archers will shoot at a distance of 50M, and Recurve archers will shoot at a distance of 70M.
- 1.2 Archers will be ranked based on their total cumulative score from Qualification Round #1.
- 1.3 A tie for any position within the top 8 will be solved according to World Archery rule 14.5.1. If there are still ties, the tie(s) will be broken with a single arrow shoot-off in accordance with World Archery rules 14.5.2.
- 1.4 Upon conclusion of Qualification Round #1 and resolution of any ties, all qualification round scores will be considered final and final rankings assigned.

2. TEAM SELECTION

Eligible athletes will be selected to the 2025 World University Games Team based on the results of the 2025 World University Games U.S. Trials Qualification Round #1 final rankings.

- 2.1 The top three (3) male and female archers in the recurve and compound divisions will be named to the World University Games Team.
- 2.2 All athletes selected to the Team will receive an accept/decline email from USA Archery with additional information about the event to include the self-funded payment deadline.

2.3 In the event an archer declines their position on the Team, USA Archery will invite the next archer based on the U.S. Team Trials final rankings.

3. ADDITONAL RULES

- 3.1 World Archery (WA) Rules will apply for all portions of the WUG U.S. TeamTrials event.
- 3.2 Archers are responsible for ensuring their scores are correct.
- 3.3 If an archer withdraws from WUG U.S. Trials event for any reason other than the reasons listed below that athlete may be subject to a Code of Conduct Violation for affecting the outcome of a trials event. The archer may have to appear before the USA Archery Board of Justice for a hearing, which could result in a sanction.
 - 3.3.1 Required military service.
 - 3.3.2 Death in the immediate family. Immediate family is defined as an athletes partner, or the parents, children, stepchildren, fostered or adopted children, brothers, sisters, grandchildren, or grandparents, of either said athlete or partner.
 - 3.3.3 Serious injury or illness preventing the athlete from competing. Serious injury defined as one of the following:
 - i. injury or illness requiring emergency medical treatment where the athlete is hospitalized for one or more days which prevents an athlete from traveling or competing at the event.
 - ii. injury or illness requiring emergency medical treatment where the athlete is treated by a physician and not allowed to compete due to doctor's orders.
- 3.4 If an archer, for any reason, is unable to participate or continue in the WUG U.S. Team Trials event, the archer shall be deemed to have abandoned the event.
- 3.5 If an archer abandons any portion of the WUG U.S. Team Trials event, the remaining archers will continue to compete with the other remaining archers.
- 3.6 USA Archery event protocol will be followed throughout the course of the selection event.
- 3.7 In the event the 2025 WUG U.S. Team Events cannot be completed as written due to causes beyond control, including but not limited to acts of God, acts of civil or military authority, epidemics (i.e., COVID-19 or other), war, terrorist acts, riots, insurrections, fires, explosions, earthquakes, nuclear accidents, floods, power blackouts, volcanic action, other environmental disturbances or unusually severe weather conditions, USA Archery reserves the right to modify the 2025 WUG U.S. Team and Trials Event format, schedule, dates and locations to ensure the safety of all participants. USA Archery will make reasonable attempts to finish the selection procedures as written on a later date and notify athletes, if applicable.
 - 3.7.1 In the event the Selection Procedures cannot be completed as written due to causes beyond control, USA Archery will name the Team based on the total cumulative points from the last fully completed end of the 2025 WUG U.S. Team Trials.
 - 3.7.2 If it becomes necessary for USA Archery to modify the event format, schedule,

dates and/or locations due to reasons listed in 3.7 above, USA Archery will notify the athletes of the revised format, schedule, dates and locations as soon as possible.

OTHER COLLEGIATE INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

If other Collegiate international invitational event(s) with closed registration accept registration throughout the calendar year, invitations to participate will be extended to athletes with current collegiate eligibility as follows:

- 1. Athletes will be invited to the events based on the results of the most recent Collegiate Target Nationals individual elimination round placement and in accordance with the academic eligibility and other eligibility guidelines set forth by the event organizer. If USA Archery verifies the athlete does not meet the academic eligibility or other eligibility guidelines set forth by the event organizer, the athlete will not be invited to attend the event.
- 2. Accept/Decline verification forms will be sent out and will be extended to the number of athletes per gender and division per the limits set in the official invitation from the local event organizer.
- 3. All athletes must also meet all eligibility requirements in Section 1. Selection System and in addition, the athlete will be required to complete any required forms required by the organizing committee and/or adhere to their eligibility guidelines.