

USA BADMINTON

PRELIMINARY NOTICE TO THE ATHLETE SELECTION PROCEDURES

2025 Junior Pan American Games

January 13, 2025

TO: Members of USA Badminton

FROM: USA Badminton

RE: Preliminary Notice to the Athlete Selection Procedures for the 2025 Junior Pan American Games

To provide as much information in a timely manner, USA Badminton (USAB) is releasing this Preliminary Notice to the Athlete Selection Procedures for the 2025 Junior Pan American Games (Games). This document is being written as a complement, and not a substitute to the 2025 Junior Pan American Games Athlete Selection Procedures. Additional communication will be released by USA Badminton once the Athlete Selection Procedures have been completed.

Anticipated Athlete Eligibility Criteria:

- Athletes must observe and abide by the PanAm Sports Organization (PASO) Constitution, and the rules of the Pan American Sport Confederation, the Badminton Pan American Confederation (BPAC), and the Badminton World Federation (BWF).
- Athletes must be Under 23 (athletes born in 2003); athletes may be up to 22 years old by December 31, 2025.
- Athletes must sign and abide by the Athlete Eligibility Condition Form.
 - This includes forms from Panam Sports, BPAC, USAB, USOPC, and BWF.
- Athletes must be a national of the United States and hold a valid U.S. passport that will not expire for six months after the conclusion of the Games.
- Athletes must adhere to all USA Badminton, USADA, USOPC, WADA and Panam Sports anti-doping protocols, policies, and procedures, as applicable.
- Any athlete age 18 or older will be required to undergo a background screen in accordance with the current USOPC Background Check Policy.
- Any athlete age 18 or older as of the Closing Ceremony will be required to remain current with the U.S. Center for SafeSport's education and training requirements in accordance with the USOPC Athlete Safety Policy.
 - Any athlete under the age of 18 must complete the SafeSport for Youth Athletes course.

Quota:

- Each qualified country ranked first through ninth will receive two (2) quota places per gender. Countries that qualify tenth and below in the rankings order (up to 32 men and 32 women) will receive one (1) quota place per gender.
- Each country’s ranking is determined by adding the points of the highest ranked player/team from each country in men's singles, women's singles and mixed doubles.
 - A maximum total of the three (3) rankings from the March 4, 2025 BWF 2025 World Ranking will be used to determine each country’s ranking.
- The quota allocation belongs to the country and not to the individual athlete.

Anticipated Evaluation Event:

It is intended that athletes being considered for nomination to the 2025 Junior Pan American Games will be evaluated on their performance at the event listed.

EVENT NAME	DATE/LOCATION
Junior Pan Am Games Selection Event	February 28 - March 2, 2025 at Midwest Badminton Club (Woodridge, IL)

- Please note that this event will only be open to United States Citizens.
- Additional eligibility requirements and registration information will be included in the athlete selection procedures which will be posted at <https://usabadminton.org/about/governance/policies-procedures/selection-procedures/>

Qualification for the 2027 Pan American Games (Lima, Peru):

- Panam Sports will grant all gold medalist in individual events in both Men's Singles and Women's Singles a direct quota for the Lima 2027 Pan American Games, which will not be part of the maximum quota indicated in the qualification process for these Games.
- The quota granted by Panam Sports is personal and non-transferable, as it belongs exclusively to the gold medal athlete. The quota may not be assigned to another athlete from the same country, nor to the silver medalist of the competition if the winner cannot participate.
- To keep the direct classification granted by Panam Sports, the benefited athletes must meet the following requirements:
 - a) A minimum of 2 participations in international championships with World Ranking Points of the Pan American circuit within the period of August 1, 2025, to July 31, 2026.
 - b) A minimum of 2 participations in international championships with World Ranking Points of the Pan American calendar within the period from August 1, 2025, to April 30, 2027.

Disclaimer:

This preliminary notice is based on the BPAC and BWF rules and regulations as presently known and understood for the 2025 Junior Pan American Games. The information in this notice is provided to assist

athletes with their training and competition planning and is subject to change upon approval of the USA Badminton Athlete Selection Procedures for the 2025 Junior Pan American Games. Once complete, the approved Athlete Selection Procedures will be posted at

<https://usabadminton.org/about/governance/policies-procedures/selection-procedures/>

For questions about the 2025 Junior Pan American Games selection process, please contact Esther Lin, USAB Athlete Services Manager at Esther.Lin@usabadminton.org.