

USA BADMINTON 2019 PAN AM INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS SELECTION PROCEDURES

SECTION A

INTRODUCTION

- The 2019 Pan Am Individual Championships will be held in Aguascalientes, Mexico from April 25-28, 2019. This event is sanctioned by the Badminton Pan America Confederation (BPAC).
- It is USA Badminton's intention to fill as many of the available entry positions as possible.
- There is <u>no funding</u> available. Players who qualify for and wish to compete in the PAC Individual Event will be responsible for their own expenses.
- As in the past championships, BPAC allows USA Badminton to enter a maximum of:
 - o four (4) for Men's Singles,
 - o four (4) for Women's Singles,
 - o two (2) pairs for Men's Doubles,
 - o two (2) pairs for Women's Doubles, and
 - o four (4) pairs for Mixed Doubles

in the BPAC Regulations – Continental Panamerican Badminton Championships http://www.badmintonpanam.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/4.1-Regulations-Continental-Panamerican-Badminton-Championships-updated-Jan-2018.pdf

BPAC reserves the right to change the rules for the maximum number of entries.

- In order to be selected, athletes will have to register with USAB **by Tuesday March 12, 2019 11:59PM PST by** emailing the 2019 Pan Am Individual Championships Entry Application Form and Athlete Code of Conduct to internationalentry.usab@gmail.com. Your email subject must state "2019 Pan Am Individual Championships Application."
- Selection for the 2019 Pan Am Individual Championships will be based on Section C.

SECTION B

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR SELECTION APPLICATION

- Applying athletes must be a USAB member in good standing. Member in good standing are athletes who have:
 - o current USAB membership
 - o no outstanding debts to USAB as a result of unpaid USAB/BWF penalties
 - o no outstanding BWF, USADA, or USAB disciplinary action against them for not meeting the USAB Athletes' Code of Conduct and other related codes or rules,
 - o no unpaid tournament entry fees,
 - o not been currently barred from entering tournaments by USAB, BPAC or the BWF, etc.
- Applicants must be U.S citizens by Tuesday March 12, 2019 11.59PM PST
- Applying athletes and his/her doubles and/or mixed doubles partners must :
 - have an active BWF ID number by Tuesday March 12, 2019 11.59PM PST
 - adult players, must have a BWF World Ranking and latest USAB National Ranking by Thursday
 March 14, 2019 11.59PM PST
 - junior players, must have a BWF World Ranking, and the latest USAB U-19 Junior Ranking & the latest USAB National Ranking and USAB U19 Junior Ranking by Thursday March 14, 2019 11.59PM
 PST

APPLICATION FOR SELECTION

- The email application must be received by USAB at <u>international entry.usab@gmail.com</u> by Tuesday March 12, 2019 11.59PM PST
- Only entries by email will be accepted. No other form of application will be accepted.
- A valid email entry must include the following:
 - o Completed 2019 Pan Am Individual Championships Entry Application Form,
 - Completed Athlete Code of Conduct
- It is the responsibility of the applying players to:
 - o ensure that they meet the eligibility criteria
 - o ensure that their respective doubles and/or mixed partners meet the eligibility criteria
 - o contact their respective doubles and/or mixed partners to confirm participation.
- Entries past the deadline of **Tuesday, March 12, 2019, 11:59 PM PST** shall be deemed as invalid and will not be considered.
- Email entry request without the application form, or signed Athlete Code of Conduct be considered invalid and will not be considered.
- Entry Application means applying to be considered for selection. Application **does not** mean an individual athlete or pair is automatically selected.

SECTION C

SELECTION PROCEDURE

Selection will be based upon:

- Athletes interested in competing in the 2019 Pan Am Individual Championships must meet the eligibility criteria in Section B to be considered.
- Pan Am Championship Individual Events will be awarded based on the highest ranked athletes for each of the five respective events. The ranking criteria will be used in the following order until all individual event slots are filled:
 - 1. Applicants with the highest BWF World Ranking as of Thursday March 14, 2019. (Note: The world ranking of the applicants for doubles or mixed doubles will be based as pair/team)
 - 2. If slots remain, applicants with the highest USAB National Ranking as of Thursday March 14, 2019 or the latest published USAB National Ranking will be selected.
 - 3. If slots remain and if applicable, applicants with the highest BWF Junior U-19 Ranking as of Thursday March 14,2019.
 - 4. If slots still remain and if applicable, applicants with the highest USAB U-19 Junior National Ranking as of Thursday March 14, 2019 or the latest published USAB U-19 Junior National Ranking will be selected.
- If slots remain and the application list has been exhausted, the slots will not be filled and the selection is deemed closed.
- The selected athletes will be informed of their selection by close of business on Tuesday March 19, 2019
- The selected athletes will be entered on the BWF online entry system by Tuesday March 26, 2019 and will receive entry confirmation by close of business on Friday March 29, 2019.
- Doubles and Mixed Doubles pairs shall be selected as a pair.

International Doubles/Mixed Doubles Partnership

- As per BPAC, since the Pan Am Championships is awarding world ranking points, current
 BPAC accepts entries of doubles/mixed doubles pairs made up of players from two different
 Member Associations (MA).
- USA players can apply for a partner from another country in the Pan Am Region. This partnership must meet the USAB selection criteria in order to be selected.
- If selected, the foreign partner's MA must approve before the partnership is accepted by BPAC.
- When a USA player's request to partner a foreign, it will reduce the number of pairs that USAB can enter. For in Men's Doubles, if one USA pair has a foreign player, then only another one full USA pair (2 players) can be entered. (i.e, In doubles the MA can enter up to 2 pairs, if an MA enters one pair made up of two players from two different MAs, each MAs will have only one spot remaining, in the case of mixed doubles were each MA can enter up to 4 pairs, BPAC will apply the same criteria and the MAs will have three spots remaining.)
- This regulation is current at the time of USAB publishing this selection procedure. However, BPAC reserves the right to change this regulation of foreign partnership when it publishes its own PAC Individual Championships prospectus.

Development of Selection Procedures

The USAB High Performance Advisory Group (HPAG) was responsible for creating these Selection Procedures:

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USAB Grievance Procedures

The USAB Bylaws and Grievance Procedures can be found at http://www.teamusa.org/USA-Badminton/USAB/Bylaws

Athlete Ombudsman

Athletes who have questions regarding their opportunity to compete that are not answered by USA Badminton may contact the USOC Athlete Ombudsman by:

- Telephone at (719) 866-5000
- E-mail at athlete.ombudsman@usoc.org
- http://www.teamusa.org/For-Athletes/Athlete-Ombudsman.aspx

Verification Of Selection Procedures

I certify that I have read and understand the selection procedures. I further certify that the information provided herein regarding the Trial and Selection Procedures represents the method approved by USA Badminton.

Position	Print Name	Signature	Date
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