

TRAMPOLINE GYMNASTICS

# 2023 World Age Group Competition (WAGC)

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## **IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES (TENTATIVE)**

March 16-19<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Elite Canada 1st Trials for WAGC July, 19-23 2023 Canadian Championships 2nd Trials for WAGC

September, 2023 Video Monitoring

November 2023 World Age Group Competition

#### IMPORTANT: INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

A careful risk analysis will occur by Gymnastics Canada before any flight or hotel accommodations are booked, just as it does for every event to determine if it is safe for Canada to attend. However, athletes and coaches are still to submit their application and fees based on the outlined deadlines. Money will be refunded if it is determined that Canada will no longer participate in WAGC.

Any Travel restrictions/advisories for Birmingham, England will be communicated closer to the event.

#### **Event Cancellation**

Should it be necessary to cancel or postpone any event specified in this INP that is conducted under the authority of Gymnastics Canada, such decision shall be made by the relevant person(s) or body within Gymnastics Canada under whose authority the event was originally to be held, which in the case of Gymnastics Canada, is the CEO, TG National Team Director and TG Program Manager.

Decisions to cancel or postpone any event specified in this document shall be made:

- a) 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 (for example, due to public health restrictions or other circumstances beyond the control of Gymnastics Canada; and
- b) as soon as reasonably possible after Gymnastics Canada has become aware that the event cannot be held.

If any event specified in this document is canceled, Gymnastics 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 Gymnastics Canada's organization of the event, as well as athlete and athlete entourage travel to the location of the

Should any event specified in this document be canceled, postponed, rescheduled or replaced, Gymnastics Canada shall update the nomination procedures indicated in this document, as applicable, as soon as reasonably possible and shall communicate any modifications to all impacted individuals, as well as publish the modified document on its website, prior to the postponed, rescheduled or replacement event.

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 Gymnastics Canada.



#### **Event Participation**

Gymnastics Canada recognizes that athletes, athlete entourage and staff may, for safety reasons related to the COVID-19 pandemic, also decide not to travel to and participate in events indicated in this document, even in circumstances when the event may proceed as planned, and even when Gymnastics 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.

#### SELECTION PROCEDURE — ATHLETES

#### 1. ATHLETE APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

The following information and documents are required to be submitted to Gymnastics Canada by August 1<sup>st</sup> for each athlete wishing to be considered for the 2023 World Age Group Competition Team:

- i) Submission of complete Application
  - a. Personal Information
  - b. GK or TURN and Uniform kit: including track suit: to be sized using size chart
  - c. Credit card authorization form
- iii) Completed FIG License Application or Renewal (if not valid until December 31st, 2023) via Gymnastics Canada.
- iv) A passport valid until at least April 30th, 2024 is required.
- v) A completed travel waiver.

#### 2. PAYMENT INFORMATION:

#### 2.1 ESTIMATED COSTS

The estimated cost for 2023 WAGC are as follows. Please note, these an approximate estimate based on past events; the final cost will vary depending on your location in Canada, the LOC set fees and exchange rates.

Item	Estimate Cost (CAD)
Flight	TBC
On-site Costs: Accommodation,	TBC
Meals and Ground Transportation	
Registration	TBC
On-site Costs: Team Support	TBC
(Coaches, Judges, IST, Manager)	
Uniform	TBC
Competition Uniform	TBC
FIG License (paid separately)	TBC

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#### 2.2 PAYMENT INFORMATION:

- A valid credit card must be on the credit card authorization form submitted by the club (1 form per club)
- o FIG License (paid separately when the request is made to FIG)
- o 1st deposit of \$500 will be processed on August 1st
- 2<sup>nd</sup> deposit of \$1,000 will be processed on September 1<sup>st</sup>
- o Final balance to be paid in January-February 2024, once we have reconciled all fees related to the event

#### 2.3 WITHDRAWAL & PENALTIES/REFUNDS:

If not selected to the team, all deposits will be refunded. If selected to the team:

- o FIG Licence is non refundable (once processed)
- o TBC: No penalty (the 1st deposit will be refunded)
- o TBC: Penalty of 100% of Registration fees
- o TBC: Penalty of 50% of on-site costs (see table above)
- o If uniforms are ordered: Penalty of 100% of uniforms costs
- o TBC: 100 % of on-site costs and any other costs incurred

\* Deposits will be refunded if it is determined that Canada will no longer participate in WAGC

#### 3. ENTRY FEE INFORMATION:

Calculation of the entry fee is dependent on the number of events in which the athlete declares on the personal information that she or he submits in attempting to qualify in to compete at the World Age Group Competition. It is based on four (4) different events: Individual Trampoline, Synchronized Trampoline, Tumbling and Double Mini-Trampoline. Entry fees are non-refundable if we are not able to replace the athlete.

The official entry to the Local Organizing Committee for the 2023 WAGC will be based on registrations received by the deadline and additions will not be permitted.

Submission of registration forms and fees implies an agreement that the athlete will participate in the event if named to the team. The official entry to the Local Organizing Committee will be based on the events declared on the registrations received and are not refundable.

#### 4. TEAM SUPPORT FEES:

The cost to provide team support personnel (Team Managers, Team Coaches, IST and Judges) will be shared among named team athletes. This amount will still be charged to any named team athlete who withdraws after the outlined deadlines. These support staff team members are an imperative to ensure the safety and comfort of all of our athletes, as well to ensure they have the best competitive experience possible.

<sup>\*</sup>Athletes with outstanding amount with Gymnastics Canada will have to pay any outstanding amounts in order to be eligible for the 2023 WAGC Team or any GymCan activity following the event.



#### 5. AGE GROUP INFORMATION:

Athletes in age groups of 13-14, 15-16 and 17-21 will be considered for Individual Trampoline, Synchronized Trampoline, Tumbling and Double Mini-Trampoline.

**Note:** age group is determined by the athlete's age on December 31st, 2023. Underaged athletes will not be considered.

**Note:** 11-12 age group athletes will be selected on a case by case basis. A petition must be sent by the Province and decided upon by the TTPC.

#### 6. DELEGATION REGISTRATION LIMITS:

The Canadian Team will consist of a maximum of four (4) males and four (4) females per individual age group event (Individual Trampoline, Tumbling and Double Mini-Trampoline), and two (2) pairs per gender per Age Group for Synchronized Trampoline.

#### 7. SELECTION EVENTS:

The two competitions that will determine the 2023 WAGC Team are:

- 2023 Elite Canada March 16-19th, 2023
- 2023 Canadian Championships July 19-23, 2023

Scores will be taken from the athlete's regular category of competition and compared to the qualification standards charts attached. Athlete's scores will be ranked against other athletes of the same age group, from whichever category they competed.

Athletes must have competed at 2023 Canadian Championships in order to be eligible for selection. Only approved medical reasons will be allowed for any athlete missing Canadian Championships.

#### 8. SENIOR, DEVELOPMENT, AND JUNIOR NATIONAL TEAM ATHLETE SELECTION:

Priority will be given to the eligible top eight (8) Senior National Team athletes (not attending World Championships in that event), the top four (4) ranked Development National Team athletes, and the top four (4) ranked Junior National Team athletes, based on the ranking lists at the conclusion of the 2023 Canadian Championships. Although National Team members will have priority over those athletes not on National Team, ranking between National Team members will use the normal procedure outlined in section 12. Priority for 17-21 age group will be given to Senior National Team then Development National Team Athletes.

#### 9. SCORE REQUIREMENTS:

The remaining athletes must meet the following scores in order to be eligible to be named to the WAGC Team:

- TRA-IND (11-12) (13-14) (15-16): Qualification scores are based on the two voluntary routines (Compulsory & Optional) of the preliminary round.
  - TRA-IND (17-21): Qualification score is based on one voluntary routine and can come from the preliminary or final round.
  - TRA-SYN (all age groups): Qualification score is based on one voluntary routine and can come from the preliminary or final round.
- DMT: Qualification scores are based on the total of the first two (2) passes of the preliminary round or final round

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- TUM: Qualification scores are based on the total of the two (2) passes of the preliminary round or final round.
  - Qualification Requirements (Score and DD) can be found in the Qualification Standards Charts for each Discipline.

#### 10. DIFFICULTY REQUIREMENTS:

The athletes must also meet the minimum difficulty in the routine counted for total preliminary (TUM and DMT: preliminary or final) score in order to be eligible to be named to the WAGC Team. The Difficulty Requirements can also be found in the Qualifications Standards Chart for each discipline.

ALL DISCIPLINES: Both Score and DD must be met in the same round.

To complete the delegation, consideration may be made by the TTPC for athletes meeting the score requirement but not the difficulty requirements for TRA-IND, TRA-SYN, TUM and DMT.

#### 11. ATHLETE RANKING PROCEDURE:

The athletes who have met the qualifying standards will be ranked based on the best scores taken from the 2023 Elite Canada and 2023 Canadian Championships.

- TRA-IND (13-14) (15-16): Best preliminary round total score + Best other voluntary or Final
- TRA-IND (17-21) Best 2 Voluntary routines (from either Qualification or Final).
- SYN: Best 2 Voluntary routines (from either Qualification or Final).
- TUM and DMT: Best preliminary round total score (Q1) + Best other round (from Qualification or Final).

\*For L5 TUM all bonuses will be removed prior to ranking

#### 12. FIG LICENSE:

Athletes must have a FIG license, valid until at least January 2024. FIG Licenses can be applied for and/or renewed by contacting Patrick Desjardins (pdesjardins@gymcan.org). FIG Licenses are \$75.00 and require a submission of an application form, a valid passport, a head shot and the completion of the online anti-doping course (Certificate of ALPHA anti-doping training (https://adel.wada-ama.org/ - create an account with International Gymnastics Federation as the federation).

#### 13. CANADIAN CITIZENSHIP AND PASSPORT:

Athletes must be a Canadian citizen to compete at the WAGC (refer to Regulation. 5.1 of the FIG Technical Regulations and Regulations 43 and 44 of the FIG Statutes). All team members' passports must be valid to at least April 30, 2024.

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#### 14. DOPING CONTROL EDUCATION:

All WAGC Team members must complete and provide proof of education of doping control education by September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 via the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sports' True Sport Clean 101 online module, available via: http://cces.ca/course-outline.

This course must be completed each year an athlete submits intent to participate at a World Age Group Championships.

#### 15. INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE:

It is recommended that athletes compete at an international competition prior to competing at World Age Group Championships, approved by Gymnastics Canada.

#### 16. TTPC RATIFICATION:

All team members must be ratified by Trampoline Gymnastics Program Committee.

#### 17. PETITIONS:

No petitions will be allowed or accepted.

#### GENERAL PRINCIPLES OF PARTICIPATION IN THE 2023 WAGC

# 18. A. THE RANKING LIST AS OUTLINED ABOVE WILL BE DRAWN USING THE FOLLOWING POLICY:

In all age groups, the last athlete may be nominated by the National Team Director (NTD)/Program Manager (PM), in consultation with the National Team Advisors (NTA) and the TTPC considering their projected ability to achieve one or more of the following performance objectives at the WAGC:

- Win an individual medal;
- Rank in the top eight (8) and qualify to Finals.

Assessment of the ability or projected contribution will include reference to ranking and scores achieved at the following events:

- Current National Team Trials including finals;
- Previous WAGC:
- Previous international competitions.

The caliber and field of competitors will be considered when weighing the relevance of results, as will the date of competition. Demonstrated professional attitude and ability to positively contribute to the team dynamic may also be considered.

If no athlete can fulfill the above criteria to be nominated by the National Team Director (NTD)/Program Manager (PM), then the last athlete with the highest score per event may be selected.

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#### 19. B. TIES WILL BE BROKEN USING THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE:

- i) The athlete with the highest national competitive category from which their counting score was earned. Priorities of categories will be ranked in the following order:
  - 13-14: Junior then L6 then L5;
  - 15-16: Junior then L6 then L5:
  - 17-21: Senior then L7 then L5.
- ii) If there is still a tie, then the athlete with the highest score earned at the latest selection event (2023 Canadian Championships) will be ranked higher.
- iii) If there is still a tie, then the athlete with the single highest score earned at either selection event will be ranked higher.
- iv) It there is still a tie, then the National Team Director/Program Manager (NTD/PM) will break the tie.

#### 20. C. ALTERNATES (ATHLETES WITH THE NEXT HIGHEST SCORE PER EVENT)

Alternates will be named to replace any athletes who must or choose to withdraw after being named to the WAGC Team or in case of an injury. Athletes can only be considered as an alternate if they had submitted the original deposit, Intent to participate and passport which is valid until at least April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024. The alternate must also have met the qualifying score on that event. No alternate will be allowed to travel as a member of the WAGC Team.

#### SELECTION PROCESS — COACHES

#### 1. COACH APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

The following information and documents are required to be submitted to Gymnastics Canada by TBC for each coach wishing to be considered for the 2023 World Age Group Competition Team:

- i) Submission of complete Intent and Personal Information.
- ii) Submission of a valid credit card authorization form
  - a. August 1st 1st deposit of \$250
  - b. September 15th, 2023 2nd deposit of \$1,500 will be processed
  - c. Final balance to be paid in February 2024, once we reconciled all fees related to the
  - d. If a coach is selected as a funded Team Coach, the 2<sup>nd</sup> deposit (\$1,500) will be refunded
- iii) A passport valid until at least April 30th, 2024 is required to be submitted by September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.
- iv) FIG Database registration (see below)

#### 2. COACH REGISTRATION LIMITS, TEAM COACHES AND FIELD OF PLAY ACCESS:

A total of up to twelve (12) coaches can be accredited for the WAGC; this will be allocated on a pro rata basis determined by the number of athletes attending in each discipline, as per FIG Regulations. However, a maximum of up to 4 coaches (2 in TRA, 1 in DMT and 1 in TUM) will be eligible for funding, depending on funding availability. Any remaining coach accreditations will be allocated based on coach ranking points to personal coaches willing to assist the Team Coaches on a self-funded basis. Additionally, access to the field of play is limited to transferable access cards allocated pro rata by the number of athletes attending in each discipline. Personal coaches with coach accreditation may not necessarily have access to the field of play when their athlete(s) is/are competing.



# 3. COACH SELECTION: TEAM COACHES AND PERSONAL COACHES ARE SELECTED USING THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES:

- i) To be an event Head Coach: Coaches must be certified at a minimum of NCCP Level 4, with up-to-date safe sport requirements. Trampoline and Double Mini-Trampoline coaches must be certified in Trampoline, while Tumbling coaches can hold certification in either Trampoline or Artistic Gymnastics. No exemptions will be allowed. Event Head Coaches must have had experience coaching at a previous World Age Group Championships or have been a Personal Coach at an International event.
- ii) Depending on team size, a second coach may be named as a Team Coach. This second coach must be a fully certified Level 3 coach (TRA & DMT: in Trampoline; TUM: in Trampoline or Artistic), with all safe sport requirements and must have previous experience as a personal/team coach at a World Age Group Championships, Indo Pacific Championships or World Cup.
- iii) Up to 1 personal coach per discipline **may** be permitted to attend if they are a fully certified Level 3 coach (see above for requirements) and have up-to-date safe sport requirements. In this case, the personal coach should treat the event as a mentorship opportunity. A L3 certified coach would not be able to take the place of a L4 coach who submitted intent.
- iv) For each discipline, only athletes who have submitted interest and their application for the WAGC Team will be assigned points to their club based on their ranking on the WAGC Team Ranking List based on the following:

1st Place: 4 Points
2nd Place: 3 Points
3rd Place: 2 Points
4th Place: 1 Point

Points for Trampoline will include both Individual and Synchronized.

Where there are less than four (4) athletes on the ranking list in a particular age category and event who have met the qualifying requirements, the point allocation per placing will be reduced accordingly.

(for example: if there are 2 athletes in an age category, the top placing athlete receives only two (2) points, NOT four (4) points)

Once the team is ratified by the TTPC and is named, the point allocation will remain unchanged.

- v) If there is a tie, the coach with the highest placing athlete will be named. If a tie still occurs, the choice goes to the second highest placing athlete, continuing down to sixth if necessary. If there is still a tie, then consideration will be given to the ranking of athletes coached by each coach who have been named to the WAGC Team on a different discipline.
- vi) The WAGC Team Coaches will be allocated by club and not by individual coach. The Trampoline Program Committee must ratify the name selected by the club and will not consider someone who has not been a coach in at least one (1) Canadian Championships or Elite Canada (Canada Cup). Points earned by an athlete who is selected to the World Championships Team will not count.
- vii) Clubs that qualify a Team Coach in more than one (1) discipline can send one (1) coach per discipline provided the appropriate number of deposits has been submitted. If a second (2nd) coach is not provided from that club, then the club decides for which discipline it wishes a coach to be accredited. The next club on the list for the other discipline will then be provided the opportunity to accredit a coach (if they have submitted a deposit).
- viii) At least one (1) of the named Team Coaches must have coached at a previous WAGC. If none of the coaches who would have been named a Team Coach using the above process has coached at a previous WAGC, then the Team Coach nomination will go to the next ranked coach who has coached at a past WAGC; otherwise, the nominated coaches will be decided

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- by the National Team Director (NTD)/Program Manager (PM) and ratified by the Trampoline Program Committee.
- ix) One (1) of the Event Head Coaches may be assigned by Gymnastics Canada as the overall WAGC Team Coach.
- x) Coaches will be required to sign abide by the Code of Conduct, Coaches Code of Ethics and Job Description, as well as provide a current, clean Police Records Check valid for the year of the event. Coaches will also be required to have completed True Sport Clean 101, Making Headway and Respect in Sport modules.

# FIG COACH DATABASE REGISTRATION

Starting from June 12, 2021, any coach who wishes to take part in an FIG event must have a profile in the FIG database. Without a profile, it will not be possible for any coach to register for an event. Gymnastics Canada is responsible for creating this profile for you.

The following documents are mandatory to create a profile:

- A scan of the coach's passport;
- An ID photo (head and shoulders picture)
- An anti-doping education certificate from the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA). Any coach expected to participate in an FIG event must complete the "High Performance Coaches' Education Program" on WADA's Anti-Doping Education and Learning platform in order to obtain the required certificate (<a href="https://adel.wada-ama.org/learn">https://adel.wada-ama.org/learn</a>).

Please send these items to Patrick Desjardins as soon as possible. For more information or questions please contact Patrick Desjardins at pdesjardins@gymcan.org.