WOP12-Team Selection Policy EFFECTIVE: July 1st, 2016



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WushuOntario - Team Selection Policy

Application of this policy: The WushuOntario Team Selection Policy is for the selection of athletes, coaches, managers, officials, team chaperones, etc. The policy provides clear criteria and uses a timely, transparent, published process detailing the criteria and approvals process.

Introduction

- 1. Wushu is one of Canada's fledgling sports and those who have participated in it over the years have built its reputation for fierce but fair competition and good sportsmanship. The discipline and teamwork required to excel at Wushu promotes values that are traditional to the sport and are of lifelong importance. These values include; respect, discipline, excellence, integrity, and community.
- 2. Members of WO must continue to uphold these values both at home and when competing abroad, be exemplary role models for others in our sport and do nothing in or out of uniform, on or off the competition arena that would bring our sport, our provincial association, national association, our Province, or our Country into disrepute.

Selection policy statement

- 1. To be selected to represent WushuOntario is an honor that few athletes achieve.
- 2. To ensure a transparent selection process WushuOntario has set out specific eligibility and selection criteria to be used in all of the Ontario provincial programs. This will ensure that the identification and selection of athletes drives the performance of Ontario athletes at National competitions and achieves the ultimate goal of turning these athletes into National Team representatives for international competition.

Eligibility for Selection

- 1. The athlete must have no outstanding financial obligations to either the WushuOntario or the National governing body (WushuCanada).
- 2. The athlete must be in good standing with WushuOntario.
- 3. The athlete must not be subject to any disciplinary action or under investigation of disciplinary action.
- 4. The athlete must be registered with an Ontario based club or program.
- 5. The athlete must be willing and medically fit to participate in both training and competitions.
- 6. The athlete must be eligible to represent Canada at National and International level.

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Selection Criteria

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Selection will be based on the following criteria.

Non-Combative Traditional and Taiji Taolu:

- Selection through ranking and competition results
 - 1. Selection Policy & Criteria
 - a. Top 2 male and top 2 female athletes in previous years National Team Selections who reside in the province of Ontario will be recognized to the current year's Team Ontario.
 - b. Rankings will be based on the individual athlete's top 2 event results in previous year's national competition.

Non-Combative High Performance Taolu:

- Selection through ranking and competition results
 - 1. Selection Policy & Criteria
 - a. Top 2 male and top 2 female athletes in previous years National Team Selections who reside in the province of Ontario will be recognized to the current year's Team Ontario.
 - b. Rankings will be based on the individual athlete's top 2 event results in previous year's national competition which must include 1 hand routine and 1 weapons routine.
 - c. Selection will include top 2 athletes from each respective age category of Senior (18+), Group A (16-18), Group B (13-15), and Group C (U-12).
 - d. During Non-National Team selection years, athletes are eligible to compete in open age bracket competition.
 - e. In the case that the athlete moves up or down in age bracket from the previous year's competition category, he/she shall be still eligible for Team Ontario recognition purposes, but must compete in appropriate category for current year competition requirements.

Combative Sanda:

- Assessment through open tryout based against criteria
 - 1. Selection Policy & Criteria
 - a. Top 1 male and top 1 female athlete in each recognized weight category who resides in the province of Ontario will be recognized to the current year's Team Ontario.

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- Team Ontario shall consist of Senior (18+) categories in addition to Junior (16-18) Categories only. (U-16) Categories shall not be ranked.
- c. In the case that there is no athlete or recognized athlete in a particular category, that weight bracket shall be left empty.
- d. Criteria for Team Ontario recognition includes:
 - i. Minimum of 5 sanctioned bouts in any level of competition
 - ii. Consideration shall be given to bout class, current record, previous record, and previous combative results in other combative sports
 - iii. Physical capabilities to include speed & acceleration, anaerobic and aerobic capacities, functional strength and agility
 - iv. Potential to develop current performance level relative to previous performance level and the individual's perceived potential to continue to develop
 - v. Technical competence Ability to execute core skills of:
 - 1. Striking
 - 2. Kicking
 - 3. Throwing
 - 4. Wrestling
 - 5. Ring Skills and awareness
 - 6. Application of Skills during bouts
 - vi. The individual's attitude and application in training and competition, attendance and ability to influence his/her peer group (team) in a positive manner.
 - vii. Competitive nature to include:
 - 1. Temperament
 - 2. Determination
 - 3. Commitment
 - 4. Performing in adverse conditions
 - 5. Coping with criticism and set backs
 - 6. Availability to attend provided training camps and sessions
 - 7. Performance at provided training camps and sessions

Athlete Selection Committee

The athlete selection committee for each age group will comprise of:

- 1. Chairperson: Current VP Technical
- 2. 3 elected coaches of respective competition clubs eligible for Provincial team coach position
- 3. 4 elected Provincial judges at level III Officiating status or higher

Individuals who may have input into selections will comprise of:

1. VP Competition

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- 2. Provincial Team Leader
- 3. Provincial Team Manager
- 4. Provincial High Performance Manager
- All selections will be ratified by the WushuOntario High Performance Manager.
- Once all selections have been successfully ratified the players selected will be informed and announced by WushuOntario.
- The High Performance Manger may refuse to ratify one or more selections onto a provincial representative squad on one or more of the following grounds:
 - The athlete did not meet one or more of the eligibility criteria
 - The athlete has previously brought the sport into disrepute or has acted in a way that a reasonable person would perceive would bring the sport into disrepute
 - The athlete refuses or is unable to participate in provided Provincial training camps and/or training sessions without reasonable explanation.
- Any appeals against the refusal to ratify an individual selection should be made in writing to WushuOntario High Performance Manager teamontario@wushucanada.com

Selection of Coaches/Managers/Officials/ Team Chaperones

- 1. Coaches
 - a. Provincial Team coach will be designated to the coach elected through the board members of WushuOntario
 - b. Criteria includes
 - i. Number of coach's athletes selected to team
 - ii. Availability to lead team in competition
 - iii. Minimum Level IV Coaching Certification
- 2. Managers and Officials

Provincial Team Managers and Officials will be designated by the WushuOntario Board based on:

- a. Experience
- b. Certification
- c. Availability and Commitment to responsibility
- 3. Team Chaperones

Provincial Team Chaperones including parents, volunteers etc. will be recognized by the WushuOntario Board based on:

- a. Membership Eligibility
- b. Event registration requirements
- c. Availability and Commitment to financial duties of event

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