



**USA SURFING YOUTH OLYMPIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
ISA WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP TRAVEL TEAM SELECTION CRITERIA
AUGUST 2023**

MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Athlete must be member in good standing with USA Surfing (USAS)
- Athlete must be a national of the United States
- Athlete must sign the USA Surfing Code of Conduct
- Athlete must sign the USA Surfing Team Commitment Agreement
- Parent(s)/Guardian(s)/Support Personnel must sign the USA Surfing Parent, Guardian and Athlete Support Personnel Code of Conduct
- Athlete and Parent(s)/Guardian(s) must take SafeSport training

TEAMS

- The following teams will be named with ages determined on January 1, 2024.
 - U18 Boys: 3 athletes
 - U18 Girls: 3 athletes
 - U16 Boys: 3 athletes
 - U16 Girls: 3 athletes
- Age/divisions are in alignment with ISA international competition divisions.
- Teams will be named after the June 2023 USA Surfing Championships
- In International Surfing Association (ISA) World Jr. Championship competition, Hawai'i currently competes as a sovereign nation apart from the USA team, therefore Hawaiians are ineligible for membership on the USA Surfing Junior National Team.
- ISA travel team selections for the 2023 ISA World Junior Surfing Championship will be made from the 2022/2023 team roster.
- Surfers chosen for the 2023/2024 team will be eligible for spots on the ISA travel team for the 2024 ISA World Junior Surfing Championship.

ANTI-DOPING REQUIREMENTS

- Athletes must adhere to all IOC, PASO, WADA, ISA, USADA and USOPC anti-doping rules, protocols, policies and procedures as applicable. This includes participation in Out-of-Competition Testing as required by the IOC, PASO, WADA, ISA, USADA and USOPC rules, as applicable and may be chosen for onsite testing at the ISA World Jr. Surfing Championship event.

TEAM SELECTION CRITERIA VERIFICATION COMMITTEE

- A committee will convene to confirm the selection criteria has been applied to the selection process fairly and accurately. The Committee should include:
 - CEO
 - COO
 - High Performance Director
 - Coach
 - Assistant Coach
 - Athlete Board Member

- Any member of the Committee who has a possible conflict of interest must disclose it. If such conflict is deemed problematic, the Committee member must recuse him/herself from Committee discussions and voting. Further, the Committee member should not otherwise influence other members of the Committee in the verification process. However, a Committee member who recused him/herself, but who has relevant and necessary information with respect to athlete performance, for example team medical personnel or trainer, may, if requested by the selection Committee, provide such information to the Committee so long as such information is provided in a fair and unbiased manner and the Committee member who declared the conflict of interest does not vote toward the final criteria confirmation decision.

CRITERIA

- Surfers' will be evaluated for selection based on the combination of points earned in each of the following criteria. See Addendum A below for additional information
 - Prime season points total from the minimum number of required events for the previous season.
 - East Coast points will be counted at 80% to compensate for smaller field sizes in Prime East as opposed to Prime West. Smaller field sizes in East result in a greater probability of surfers earning multiple high placings/points than West surfers who must beat significantly more opponents to make finals.
 - Best WQS event score in the past season and current season, to date

REPLACEMENTS

- Replacing an athlete on the Team or for competition
 An athlete who has qualified for a Team(s) may be removed for any of the following reasons, as determined by USA Surfing:
 - Voluntary withdrawal. Athlete must submit a written letter to the USAS CEO and Head Coach, signed by the athlete and a parent/guardian
 - Injury or illness as certified by a physician (or medical staff) approved by USA Surfing. If an athlete refuses verification of his/her illness or injury by a physician (or medical staff) approved by USA Surfing, his/her injury or illness will be assumed to be disabling and he/she may be removed from the Team.
 - Violation of the USA Surfing Athlete Agreement / Code of Conduct:
<https://www.usasurfing.org/uploads/1/1/3/5/113568407/athletes-codeofconduct09.22.11.pdf>

- An athlete who is recommended to be removed from the Team(s) pursuant to this provision has the right to a hearing per the USA Surfing Bylaws, Section 13.
- The replacement/alternate athlete is the next highest ranked athlete per these trials criteria.

USAS BYLAWS AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

USA Surfing Bylaws and Grievance Procedures (Article 13) can be found at:

https://www.usasurfing.org/uploads/1/1/3/5/113568407/usasurfingolympicbylaws_rev_82020_clear.pdf

ADDENDUM A – OBJECTIVE SELECTION CRITERIA

<p>1. 2022/2023 Prime season points, plus...</p>	<p>Prime season points total from the minimum number of required events for the previous season.</p> <p>For Prime West and Prime East, points are the sum of the lowest number of minimum required events between East and West Prime regular seasons. For example, if Prime East regular season rankings are based on the top 3 of 4 events and Prime West is based on the top 4 of 6 events, then Prime points for both East and West surfers will be the sum of each athlete’s top 3 events.</p> <p>East Coast points will be counted at 80% to compensate for smaller field sizes in Prime East as opposed to Prime West. Smaller field sizes in East result in a greater probability of surfers earning multiple high placings/points than West surfers who must beat significantly more opponents to make finals.</p>
<p>2. 2023 USA Championship points, plus...</p>	<p>USA Champs points are double the regular season point totals. For example, the winner of a regular season Prime event earns 3000 points; the winner of USA Champs receives 6000 points.</p>
<p>3. Top WQS event points</p>	<p>Best WSL WQS event score of the previous season and current season, to date.</p>

4. Tie-breaking	<p>For the purpose of breaking points ties, the following may also be used:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Surf off ● The average of the surfer's top three heat scores at USA Champs ● The average of the surfer's top three wave scores at USA Champs
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PRIME AND USA CHAMPIONSHIPS POINTS			
Placing	Prime	Placing	USA Champs
1	3000	1	6000
2	2580	2	5160
3	2190	3	4380
4	2010	4	4020
5	1830	5	3660
7	1665	7	3330
9	1500	9	3000
10	1464	10	2928
13	1350	13	2700
17	1200	17	2400
18	1185	18	2370
19	1170	19	2340
25	1080	25	2160
33	960	33	1920
34	945	34	1890
35	930	35	1860