



Selection Procedures
2022 FINA Junior World Championship Team
November 27 – December 4
Montreal, Canada

USA Diving shall select a team for the FINA Junior World Championships. Team selection will use results from the 2022 USAD Junior National Championships, to be held July 25-August 2, 2022, in Midland, Texas.

The maximum number of divers for the FINA Junior World Championship Team shall be 24 divers. However, there are scenarios where a full team may not be fielded as FINA rules permit a maximum of two (2) entries per event per gender in individual events and one (1) synchronized team per event per gender. Additionally, if it is in the best interest of USAD, the team size may be increased for any reason by the High Performance Director in consultation with the Committee for Competitive Excellence.

1. Eligibility to Compete at the 2022 FINA Junior World Championships

- a. Must be a U.S. citizen and not have competed for another Federation any time after November 27, 2021.
- b. Must be a competition athlete member in good standing with USA Diving.
- c. Must have been born between January 1, 2004, and December 31, 2008.
- d. Must meet all Canadian Government entry requirements.

2. Competition Format for 2022 USAD Junior Nationals

2.1. Individual Events

- a. USA Diving rules & format governing the 2022 Junior National Championships shall apply.

3. Team Selection

3.1 Individual 1-meter, 3-meter, and Platform

- a. **USAD Jr Nationals Group A Boys & Girls (16-18)**
 - i. **Group A FINA Junior World Championships**

In all events listed above, the two divers with the highest total score from finals (semifinal voluntaries + final optionals) in each event who are eligible will be selected to the 2022 FINA Junior World Team. In the event one or both selected divers decline, the next highest-ranked eligible diver(s) shall be selected.
- b. **USAD Junior Nationals Group B Boys & Girls (14-15)**
 - i. **Group B FINA Junior World Championships**

In all events listed above, the two divers with the highest total score from finals (semifinal voluntaries + final optionals) in each event who are eligible will be selected to the 2022 FINA Junior World Team. In the event one or both selected divers decline, the next highest-ranked eligible diver(s) shall be selected.

3.2 Ties

- i) In the event of a tie, the diver with the highest score on optionals (finals) will be selected.
- ii) If a tie still exists, the diver with the highest score on optionals in the semifinal will be selected.
- iii) If a tie still exists, the High Performance Director in consultation with the CCE shall break the tie.

3.3 Synchronized Events: The synchro events will be filled from the members of the team. The High Performance Director in consultation with the CCE and the named Junior World Team coaches shall select the divers who will best represent Team USA in each event.

Note: If a synchro team cannot be formed from members within the team due to list incompatibility, additional athlete members may be added based on past performances. Only 2022 Junior National participants will be considered.

4. Replacement Athletes

- a) Should a member of the team become unable to attend prior to the deadline for entry submissions, the replacement athlete will be selected on the criteria stated above. The diver with the next best score in the finals (semifinal voluntaries + final optionals) at the 2022 USAD Junior National Championships will be selected. In case of a tie, the above tie-breaking procedures shall be followed.
- b) If an athlete member is unable to participate after submission of entries to the Local Organizing Committee, the decision regarding replacements will be made by the High Performance Director in consultation with the CCE with final approval by the Local Organizing Committee and FINA.
- c) If an athlete member is unable to participate while at the event, the decision regarding replacements will be made by the Head Coach in consultation with the coaching staff, High Performance Director, High Performance Manager and/or Team Leader.

5. Coach Selection

Coach members will be selected using the following criteria. The number of coach members to be selected is dependent on funding and coaches available at the time of selection.

- A) Divers must declare their official coach of record prior to the start of the 2022 USAD Junior National Championships. Only coaches designated as a coach of record will be considered for selection to the 2022 FINA Junior World Championships coaching staff. Once declared by the diver, the coach of record cannot be changed unless approved by the High Performance Director in consultation with the CCE.

- B) Coach members will be ranked based on the number of spots their athletes have earned on the team. The coach members with the greatest number of spots will be selected.
 - i) Each athlete member qualifying in Olympic events through 3.1 above will count as one (1) spot.
 - ii) Each athlete member qualifying in the non-Olympic events through 3.1 above will count as one-half (1/2) a spot.
 - iii) Any athlete member added to a synchro team shall not accrue coaching spots.
- C) If there is a tie, the coach member with the greatest number of athlete(s) on the team will be selected.
- D) If a tie still exists, the coach member with the greatest number of first-place finishes will be selected.
- E) If a tie still exists, the High Performance Director, in consultation of the CCE will select the coach member that best represents the needs of Team USA at the event.
- F) The coach member with the greatest number of spots on the team will be designated the Head Coach. If there is a tie, the coach member selected first based on the above tie-breaking procedures will be named the Head Coach. The designated Head Coach has first right of refusal in potentially accepting this role.

6. Staff Selection

All remaining staff selections shall be made by the High Performance Director in consultation with the CCE.

7. Final Team Approval

USA Diving's President and USA Diving's AAC Rep shall have final approval of the 2022 FINA Junior World Championship Team, which includes the athlete members, coach members, medical personnel and staff.