

USAT Board of Directors
Teleconference Call March 30, 2009

In attendance:

Rob Kasper
Celeste Callahan
Jeff Matlow
Jim Donaldson
Victor Plata
Kelly Cook
Dave Kuendig
Eric Averill
Bob Wendling
Skip Gilbert

Not in attendance:

Mike Greer
Brian Harrington

President Rob Kasper called the meeting to order at 6:02 MDT.



Pan American Championship Selection Policy

2009

A. Introduction

This policy details the process and priorities by which USA Triathlon will select athletes to compete at the 2009 Pan American Championship in Oklahoma City if the event is oversubscribed and the ITU can not grant all start requests received from USA Triathlon.

B. Selection Criteria

1. ITU Eligibility and Qualification Criteria: (Attached)

2. USAT Eligibility and Qualification Criteria:

- a. 70% of the granted starts from the ITU will automatically be available to athletes requesting starts who are on the ITU Points list as of April 1, 2009 in the order of their rankings.
- b. Remaining athletes requesting starts who are on the ITU Points list as of April 1, 2009 will be awarded starts in the order of their rankings with the following exception: the USAT High Performance Staff may nominate athletes for starts as discretionary selections voted on by the USAT Elite Athlete Selection Committee (EASC). A majority of the EASC must be in agreement with respect to each athlete awarded a start without ITU points or out of ITU Points order.
- c. All remaining granted starts will be awarded via resume evaluation by the USAT High Performance Staff to athletes who are not on the ITU Points list as of April 1, 2009.

3. Elite Athlete Selection Committee

The Committee will be comprised of the following people: Sport Performance Director (ex officio/non-voting), AAC Chairperson, member of the National Coaching Committee and one Athletes Advisory Council member (male athlete for all female decisions; female athlete for all male decisions).

C. Deadlines and Resume Submission

All athletes must submit start requests to USAT by March 24, 2009. All athletes requesting starts who do not anticipate being on the ITU Points list as of April 1, 2009 also have until March 24, 2009 to submit a resume for consideration. Start requests and resumes must be submitted to the National Teams Manager, Katie Baker, at katie@usatriathlon.org.

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2009 OKLAHOMA CITY PAN AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP

ELITE AND U23 QUALIFY RULES

1 QUANTITY OF SLOTS FOR ATHLETES.

MEN 75

WOMEN 75

TOTAL 150

2 SLOTS FOR NF.

2.1 American Federations:

Antigua and Barbuda Triathlon Association,

Aruba Triathlon Federation,

Paraguay Triathlon Association

Barbados Federation of Island Triathletes,

Belize National Triathlon Association,

Bermuda Triathlon Federation,

Bolivian Triathlon Federation,

Brazilian Triathlon Confederation,
Cayman Islands Triathlon Federation,
Argentinean Triathlon Federation
Colombia Triathlon Federation
Triathlon Federation of Cuba
Chile Triathlon Federation
Triathlon National Federation of Peru
Ecuador Triathlon Federation
Dominican Republic Triathlon Federation
Mexico Triathlon Federation
Nicaragua Triathlon Federation
Triathlon National Federation of Guatemala
Puerto Rico Triathlon Federation
Costa Rica United Triathlon Federation
Venezuela Triathlon Federation
Honduras Triathlon Federation
Jamaican Triathlon Federation
Netherlands Antilles Federation
Saint Kitts & Nevis Triathlon Federation
Surinaamse Triathlon Unie
Tahiti Triathlon Association
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Triathlon Canada
Triathlon Federation El Salvador
Triathlon Grenada

Trinidad & Tobago Triathlon Federation

Turks and Caicos Triathlon Federation

Panama Triathlon Union

Uruguay Triathlon Union

USA Triathlon

2.2 All starting positions assigned to a nation will be filled at the discretion of the NF.

2.3 The obtained starting position is not nominative of the athlete who secured it.

2.4 Each NF will be allowed to register up to 3 primary **male** athletes and up to a maximum of 7 male athletes on a waiting-list and up to 3 primary **female** athletes and up to a maximum of 7 female athletes on a waiting-list.

2.5 The same athlete cannot qualify for any more than one slot for an NF.

3 ASSIGNMENT OF SLOTS

☐ **ITU RANKING SLOTS GIVEN AS OF APRIL 1, 2009.**

3.1 Slots 1 to 10 for Men.

Slots 1 to 10 for Women.

3.2 Starting Positions 1 to 10 will be assigned to the NFs based on their athletes' ranking among positions 1 through 40 of the International Triathlon Union (ITU) International Ranking.

3.3 Once an NF has been assigned 3 starting positions, any remaining NF athletes ranked among the first 40 will be passed over and the available starting position will be assigned to the next eligible NF.

3.4 If after applying the criterion of Section 3.2 and 3.3, starting positions 1 to 10 have not all been assigned, these starting positions will be added to those to be assigned according to the PATCO American Rankings.

☐ **SLOTS FOR AMERICA RANKING (PATCO) GIVEN AS OF APRIL 1, 2009.**

3.5 Slots 11 to 62 for Men.

Slots 11 to 62 for Women.

3.6 Starting Positions 11 to 62 will be assigned to the NFs based on their athletes' ranking among positions 1 through 125 of the PATCO American Rankings.

3.7 Once an NF has been assigned 3 starting positions, any remaining NF athletes ranked among the first 125 will be passed over and the available starting position will be assigned to the next eligible NF.

3.8 If after assigning Starting Positions 11 to 62 in accordance with Section 3.6 and 3.7 there remain unassigned starting positions, these positions will be assigned

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to the NFs for the purpose of nominating athletes from their respective waitinglists in the same order as applied in Section 3.7 until all starting positions are assigned or all NF waiting-lists have been satisfied, whichever comes first.

3.9 If after the applying the criterion of Section 3.8, Starting Positions 11 to 62 have not all been assigned, the unassigned starting positions may be awarded by PATCO to any NF by Special Invitation.

☐ **SLOTS FOR HOST COUNTRY (UNITED STATES).**

3.10 Slots 63 to 70 for Men.

Slots 63 to 70 for Women.

3.11 Starting Positions 63 to 70 will be assigned to the host country NF.

3.12 If the host country NF already has been assigned starting positions in any of the previous assignments, this number of starting positions will be deducted from the 8 male or 8 female starting positions allotted in Section 3.11 and these starting positions may be awarded by PATCO to any NF by Special Invitation.

☐ **SLOTS FOR INVITATION.**

3.13 Slots 71 to 75 for Men.

Slots 71 to 75 for Women.

3.14 Starting Positions 71 to 75 will be assigned for invitation of PATCO.

4 ATHLETES REGISTRATION.

4.1 NFs must register their athletes through the ITU registration system available at www.triathlon.org.

4.2 The first three (3) registered athletes of every NF will be added directly to the starting list in order of their ITU Ranking, unless the athlete's NF requests otherwise.

4.3 If more than three (3) registered athletes exist for an NF, they will be placed on the waiting list.

4.4 NFs must register their athletes **no later than 11:59 p.m. (Vancouver time)**

April 1, 2009.

4.5 The confirmed start list will be posted by **April 3, 2009.**

4.6 If after all registered athletes have been assigned starting positions additional starting positions remain available, NFs may request a Special Invitation by PATCO by **April 6, 2009.**

4.7 For the development and improvement of the sport, PATCO will be able to assign the Special Invitations extra slots that it considers to be suitable. PATCO will add all Special Invitations to the confirmed start list by **April 8, 2009.**

4.8 NFs may be required to complete additional registration materials and make payment of registration fees directly to the Local Organizing Committee.

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SUMMARY

MEN

SLOTS ASSIGNATION

MUJERES

Nº SLOTS SLOTS Nº

10 1 to 10 INTERNATIONAL RANKING UNTIL 04/1/2009 1 to 10 10

52 11 to 62 AMERICAN RANKING (PATCO) UNTIL 04/1/2009 11 to 62 52

08 63 to 70 HOST COUNTRY 63 to 70 08

05 71 to 75 SPECIAL INVITATIONS 71 to 75 05

75 TOTAL OF SLOTS 75

- ☐ The above starting position allocations apply to U23 and Elite athletes together.
- ☐ In determining championship awards, U23 athletes will be classified in their own category, as well as in the overall general classification.

The Board approved unanimously the Pan American Selection Policy of 2009.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:14 p.m.