

**USA Taekwondo**  
**ATHLETE SELECTION PROCEDURES**  
**2011 Pan American Games**  
**March 30, 2010**

**I. SELECTION SYSTEM**

A. Provide the minimum eligibility requirements for an athlete to be considered for nomination to the Team:

1. Citizenship:

Athlete must be a citizen of the United States prior to the commencement of the first qualifying event and hold a valid U.S. passport that will not expire for six months after the conclusion of the Games.

2. Minimum International Federation (IF) standards for participation (if any):

- a. Athlete is at least 14 years of age by December 31, 2010.
- b. In accordance with the World Taekwondo Federation (WTF) Rules of Competition [refer to Article 4, Section 1:  
[http://www.wtf.org/wtf\\_eng/site/rules/file/WTF\\_Competition\\_Rules\\_and\\_Interpretation\\_\(GA\\_Passed\\_on\\_Feb\\_2009\)\\_ENG.doc](http://www.wtf.org/wtf_eng/site/rules/file/WTF_Competition_Rules_and_Interpretation_(GA_Passed_on_Feb_2009)_ENG.doc)], contestants must meet the following criteria:
  - i. Holder of the nationality of the participating team;
  - ii. Recommended by the National Taekwondo Association in which he/she represents; and
  - iii. Holder of Taekwondo Dan or Poom certificate issued by the Kukkiwon.

3. Other requirements (if any):

- An athlete must be a member in good standing with USA Taekwondo (USAT).
- Athletes must compete in the Black Belt, World Class Division.
- For PHASES 1-4, athletes will bear all expenses including entry fee, airfare, ground transportation and room and board. If an athlete qualifies for PHASE 5 - Pan American Games Qualification, his/her expenses will be covered by the NGB.

B. Tryout Events:

1. Provide the event names, dates and location of all trials, events and camps to be used as part of the selection process.

- a. PHASE 1 –
    - 2010 National Qualifiers: Please refer to the table in section I.C. listing all National Qualifiers below.
    - 2010 Sanctioned State Qualifiers: Please go to the following link for an updated list of all Sanctioned State Qualifiers: [http://www.usa-taekwondo.us/event?tag\\_id=3267](http://www.usa-taekwondo.us/event?tag_id=3267)
    - 2010 Military Championships: Please go to the following link for an updated list: [http://www.usa-taekwondo.us/event?tag\\_id=3267](http://www.usa-taekwondo.us/event?tag_id=3267)
    - 2010 NCTA Collegiate Championships: April 17-18, 2010 - Denver, Colorado
  - b. PHASE 2 – 2010 Senior National Taekwondo Championships – World Class Division: July 2010 – Orlando, Florida
  - c. PHASE 3 – 2011 Pan American Games Team Trial: August 2010, Colorado Springs, CO
  - d. PHASE 4 – 2011 Pan American Games Fight-Off: August 2010, Colorado Springs, CO
  - e. PHASE 5 – 2011 Pan American Games Qualification Tournament
    - Date and Location, to be determined.
2. Provide event names, dates, locations and description of how athletes qualify for any “preliminary or qualifying” events or procedures that are prerequisites to attend any of the trials, events or camps listed above in B. 1 (if any).

All USAT members who meet the eligibility criteria as defined in I.A., have a black belt and compete in the black belt, World Class Division are eligible.

Performance Waivers:

- If an athlete was a member of the 2009 or 2010 Senior National Team, he/she will be granted a performance waiver from PHASE 1, as well as PHASE 2 – 2010 Senior National Taekwondo Championships – World Class Division, and granted an entry into PHASE 3 – 2011 Pan American Games Team Trial (all phases outlined below).
- If 2009 & 2010 Senior National Team members choose to bypass their performance waivers, they may compete in PHASE 1 and qualify for and compete in PHASE 2 – 2010 Senior National Taekwondo Championships in the weight division of their choice, or they may choose to bypass

PHASE 1 altogether and choose to compete in PHASE 2. However, they will forfeit their performance waiver into PHASE 3 – 2011 Pan American Games Team Trial and must meet the performance criteria outlined below for each applicable phase they choose to participate in order to advance to and compete in PHASE 3 – 2011 Pan American Games Team Trial.

- All athletes receiving performance waivers may move up or down one weight division from what they were when they were a team member in 2009 or 2010 without forgoing their performance waiver to PHASE 3 – 2011 National Team Trial.

C. Provide a comprehensive, step-by-step description of the method that explains how athletes will go through the selection process to become Team nominees (including maximum Team size).

**PHASE 1: 2010 National Qualifiers, 2010 Sanctioned State Qualifiers, 2010 Military Championships, and 2010 NCTA Collegiate Championships**

Weight Divisions:

There will be eight (8) male and eight (8) female weight divisions contested in each tournament in PHASE 1.

Men's division		Women's division	
Under 54kg	Not exceeding 54kg	Under 46kg	Not exceeding 46 kg
Under 58kg	Over 54 kg & Not exceeding 58 kg	Under 49kg	Over 46 kg & Not exceeding 49 kg
Under 63kg	Over 58 kg & Not exceeding 63 kg	Under 53kg	Over 49 kg & Not exceeding 53 kg
Under 68kg	Over 63 kg & Not exceeding 68 kg	Under 57kg	Over 53 kg & Not exceeding 57 kg
Under 74kg	Over 68 kg & Not exceeding 74 kg	Under 62kg	Over 57 kg & Not exceeding 62 kg
Under 80kg	Over 74 kg & Not exceeding 80 kg	Under 67kg	Over 62 kg & Not exceeding 67 kg
Under 87kg	Over 80 kg & Not exceeding 87 kg	Under 73kg	Over 67 kg & Not exceeding 73 kg
Over 87kg	Over 87 kg	Over 73kg	Over 73 kg

Competition Format – Single Elimination:

In PHASE 1, all tournaments will be single elimination format. In single elimination format, the loser of each match is immediately eliminated from the competition bracket.

## Seeding Criteria:

In PHASE 1, there will be no seeding criteria. All athletes will be seeded randomly.

## 2010 National Qualifiers

The top four (4) athletes per gender in the eight (8) WTF Senior weight divisions from each of the 2010 National Qualifiers advance to PHASE 2 - 2010 Senior National Taekwondo Championships - World Class Division (July 2010 - Orlando, FL).

<b>2010 USAT National Qualifier #1</b>	U.S. Olympic Training Center	Colorado Springs	Colorado	03/06/10
<b>2010 USAT National Qualifier #2</b>	Toyota Arena	York	Pennsylvania	03/27/10
<b>2010 USAT National Qualifier #3</b>	Selland Arena	Fresno	California	04/10/10
<b>2010 USAT National Qualifier #4</b>	Dallas Convention Center	Dallas	Texas	05/08/10
<b>2010 USAT National Qualifier #5</b>	Embry-Riddle University	Daytona Beach	Florida	05/22/10

## 2010 Sanctioned State Qualifiers

- Please go to the following link for an updated list of all Sanctioned State Qualifiers:  
[http://www.usa-taekwondo.us/event?tag\\_id=3267](http://www.usa-taekwondo.us/event?tag_id=3267)

The top finisher or finishers (as defined below) per gender in the eight (8) Senior Black Belt weight divisions from each 2010 Sanctioned State Qualifier will advance to PHASE 2 - 2010 Senior National Taekwondo Championships - World Class Division (Orlando, FL - July 2010).

If a 2010 Sanctioned State Qualifier has 0 - 399 individual competitors, the 1st place finisher per gender in the eight (8) Black Belt weight divisions will advance to PHASE 2. If a Sanctioned State Qualifier has 400-600 individual competitors, the 1st and 2nd place finishers per gender in the eight (8) Black Belt weight divisions will advance to PHASE 2. If a Sanctioned State Qualifier has over 600 individual competitors then the top 4 finishers (semi-finalists) per gender in the eight (8) Black Belt weight divisions will advance to PHASE 2.

A competitor that has qualified through a 2010 National Qualifier in PHASE 1 may qualify only once within the same weight division for the PHASE 2 - 2010 Senior National Taekwondo Championships - World Class Division. Once a competitor has qualified for PHASE 2, they WILL NOT be allowed to compete in other tournaments in PHASE 1 within the same weight division. These athletes will, however, be allowed to compete and qualify for PHASE 2 in a different weight division at these tournaments.

A competitor that has qualified for PHASE 2 at a 2010 Sanctioned State Qualifier, 2010 Military Championships, or 2010 NCTA Collegiate Championships in PHASE 1 may compete at a 2010 National Qualifier in the same weight division in which he/she has already qualified in an attempt to better his/her seed.

All athletes who qualify in two weight divisions must declare, by the late registration deadline of the PHASE 2 - 2010 Senior National Taekwondo Championships, as to which weight division they will participate. Athletes cannot participate in more than one weight division at the PHASE 2 - 2010 Senior National Taekwondo Championships.

In past years, the winner of the Elite Open Division (now called the Grassroots Division) at the Senior National Taekwondo Championships advanced to the World Class Division. This athlete will no longer automatically advance to the World Class Division. If an athlete wants to qualify for the World Class Division of the PHASE 2 - 2010 Senior National Taekwondo Championships, they must do so through either the 2010 National Qualifiers, 2010 Sanctioned State Qualifiers, 2010 Military Championships, or 2010 NCTA Collegiate Championships in PHASE 1.

#### 2010 Military Championships and 2010 NCTA Collegiate Championships

- Please go to the following link for an updated list of all 2010 Military Championships: [http://www.usa-taekwondo.us/event?tag\\_id=3267](http://www.usa-taekwondo.us/event?tag_id=3267)
- The 2010 NCTA Collegiate Championships will be held April 17-18, 2010, in Denver, Colorado.

The top four (4) athletes per gender in the eight (8) Black Belt weight divisions from the 2010 Military Championships and 2010 NCTA Collegiate Championships will advance to PHASE 2 - 2010 Senior National Taekwondo Championships - World Class Division (July 2010 - Orlando, FL).

#### **PHASE 2: 2010 Senior National Taekwondo Championships, World Class Division**

Weight Divisions:

There will be eight (8) male and eight (8) female weight divisions contested in PHASE 2.

Men's division		Women's division	
Under 54kg	Not exceeding 54kg	Under 46kg	Not exceeding 46 kg
Under 58kg	Over 54 kg & Not exceeding 58 kg	Under 49kg	Over 46 kg & Not exceeding 49 kg
Under 63kg	Over 58 kg & Not exceeding 63 kg	Under 53kg	Over 49 kg & Not exceeding 53 kg
Under 68kg	Over 63 kg & Not exceeding 68 kg	Under 57kg	Over 53 kg & Not exceeding 57 kg
Under 74kg	Over 68 kg & Not exceeding 74 kg	Under 62kg	Over 57 kg & Not exceeding 62 kg
Under 80kg	Over 74 kg & Not exceeding 80 kg	Under 67kg	Over 62 kg & Not exceeding 67 kg
Under 87kg	Over 80 kg & Not exceeding 87 kg	Under 73kg	Over 67 kg & Not exceeding 73 kg
Over 87kg	Over 87 kg	Over 73kg	Over 73 kg

The athletes who are eligible to advance from each of the tournaments in PHASE 1, as defined above, will be eligible to compete in PHASE 2 - 2010 Senior National Taekwondo Championships - World Class Division (Orlando, FL - July 2010), as well as any athlete who qualified through the Performance Waiver process and chooses to participate in PHASE 2.

Competition Format - Single Elimination:

PHASE 2 will be single elimination format. In single elimination format, the loser of each match is immediately eliminated from the competition bracket.

Seeding Criteria:

Athletes qualifying through PHASE 1 are required to compete in the SAME weight division in which they qualified for PHASE 2 - 2010 Senior National Taekwondo Championships - World Class Division. Athletes who qualify in two weight divisions must declare by the late registration deadline of the 2010 Senior National Taekwondo Championships as to which weight division they will participate.

2010 National Team Members, 2009 National Team Members and 2010 National B-Team Members can move up or down one weight division without forgoing their seeding criteria in PHASE 2.

Seeding for each weight division will be administered by the prioritized list below:

1. 2010 National Team Members
2. 2009 National Team Members
3. 2010 National B-Team Member who wins a medal at the 2010 U.S. Open - Per

value, Gold, Silver, Bronze.

4. This is followed by a random draw of all 2010 National B-Team members.
5. This is followed by a random draw of all 1st place finishers from the 2010 National Qualifiers with the first draw being the higher of the remaining seeds continuing until there are no more 1st place finishers to be seeded.
6. This is followed by a random draw of all 2nd place finishers from the 2010 National Qualifiers with the first draw being the higher of the remaining seeds continuing until there are no more 2nd place finishers to be seeded.
7. This is followed by a random draw of all 3rd place finishers from the 2010 National Qualifiers with the first draw being the higher of the remaining seeds continuing until there are no more 3rd place finishers to be seeded.
8. This is followed by a random draw of all 1st place finishers from a 2010 Sanctioned State Qualifier with the first draw being the higher of the remaining seeds continuing until there are no more 1st place finishers to be seeded.
9. This is followed by a random draw of all 2nd place finishers from a 2010 Sanctioned State Qualifier with the first draw being the higher of the remaining seeds and progressing until the final seed is set.
10. This is followed by a random draw of all athletes qualifying from the 2010 Military Championships and 2010 NCTA Collegiate Championships.

The draws will be completed after weigh-in by members of the USA Taekwondo Staff.

The top two (2) athletes per gender in each of the eight (8) weight divisions at the PHASE 2 - 2010 Senior National Taekwondo Championships - World Class Division, advance to PHASE 3 - 2011 Pan American Games Team Trial (Colorado Springs, CO - August 2010).

### **PHASE 3 - 2011 Pan American Games Team Trial**

Weight Divisions:

There will be four (4) male and four (4) female weight divisions contested in PHASE 3.

Men's division		Women's division	
Under 58kg	Not exceeding 58kg	Under 49kg	Not exceeding 49kg
Under 68kg	Over 58kg & not exceeding 68kg	Under 57kg	Over 49kg & not exceeding 57kg
Under 80kg	Over 68kg & not exceeding 80kg	Under 67kg	Over 57kg & not exceeding 67kg
Over 80kg	Over 80kg	Over 67kg	Over 67kg

The top two (2) athletes per gender in each of the eight (8) weight divisions from the PHASE 2 - 2010 Senior National Taekwondo Championships - World Class Division, and those athletes receiving performance waivers are eligible to compete in the PHASE 3 - 2011 Pan American Games Team Trial. Eligible athletes can compete in the weight

division of their choice at the 2011 Pan American Games Team Trial. All qualified athletes must declare by the late registration deadline of PHASE 3 – 2011 Pan American Games Team Trial as to which of the four (4) Olympic weight divisions they will participate.

If five (5) or less athletes register and make weight for a single weight division, the athletes will compete in a Round Robin Competition Format as outlined below. The top two (2) athletes per gender, per weight division from the round robin format will advance to PHASE 4 - 2011 Pan American Games Fight-Off.

If more than five (5) athletes register and make weight in a single weight division, the athletes will compete in a Double Elimination Format with seeding as outlined below. The winner of the Double Elimination Bracket in each weight division is waived from PHASE 4 – 2011 Pan American Games Fight-Off and named to the 2011 National Pan American Games Qualification Team (PHASE 5).

### **Round Robin Competition Format Explanation (for divisions with 5 or less athletes):**

The round robin tournament format consists of all individuals playing each other one time. The round robin format has fixed schedules; all athletes know exactly who they play and what time they play them, which offers some advantage to athletes in preparing for the tournament and upcoming games. Seeding does not affect the outcome because the cumulative results of all games played determine final standings.

The top two finishers per gender and weight division of the PHASE 3 – 2011 Pan American Games Team Trial will advance to PHASE 4 – 2011 Pan Am Games Fight-Off that will occur on the same dates immediately following the conclusion of the round robin matches.

The Drawing of Lots for Round Robin:

The Drawing of Lots will take place at registration as each athlete checks-in for the event. Each weight division will have a separate bag with a ping pong ball with the number of seeds competing within the weight division. Each athlete will pick one ping pong ball from the bag which will be their corresponding seed. The seed of the athlete will be represented on the schedule which will be dispersed to the athletes at registration. The drawing of lots will be completed for each weight division. If a pre-registered athlete does not show for weigh-in or does not make weight, his or her matches corresponding with his or her seed will remain in the schedule and no result will be determined for those matches.

The following tie-breaking procedure will be administered to determine the top finishers should this scenario arise.

1. 2-way tie in round robin competition:
  - a. This tie will be broken based upon head-to-head competition. If only

- two athletes have identical records, then the winner of the head-to-head competition shall be designated the number one seed and the loser of the head-to-head competition will be declared the number two seed.
2. 3-way tie in round robin competition:
    - a. Each athlete will participate in the drawing of lots to determine the fight match-ups which will be as follows:
      - i. Match #1 – Draw B v. Draw C
      - ii. Draw A receives a bye
      - iii. Match #2 – Winner of Match #1 v. Draw A
      - iv. Determining Results
        1. The winner of Match #2 is declared the number one seed.
        2. The loser of Match #2 is declared the number two seed.
          - a. The number one and number two seed will participate in a Fight-Off in PHASE 4 – 2011 Pan American Games Fight-Off.
        3. The loser of Match #1 is declared the 3<sup>rd</sup> place finisher.

**Double Elimination Format Explanation (for divisions with more than 5 athletes):**

Two defeats eliminate an entry in this tournament format. The losers in the first rounds move into the Loser’s Bracket. The athletes that advance farthest in each bracket meet each other in the final match. Should the winner of the Loser’s Bracket defeat the winner of the Winner’s Bracket, the athletes will compete in another match immediately following to determine the winner of the championship.

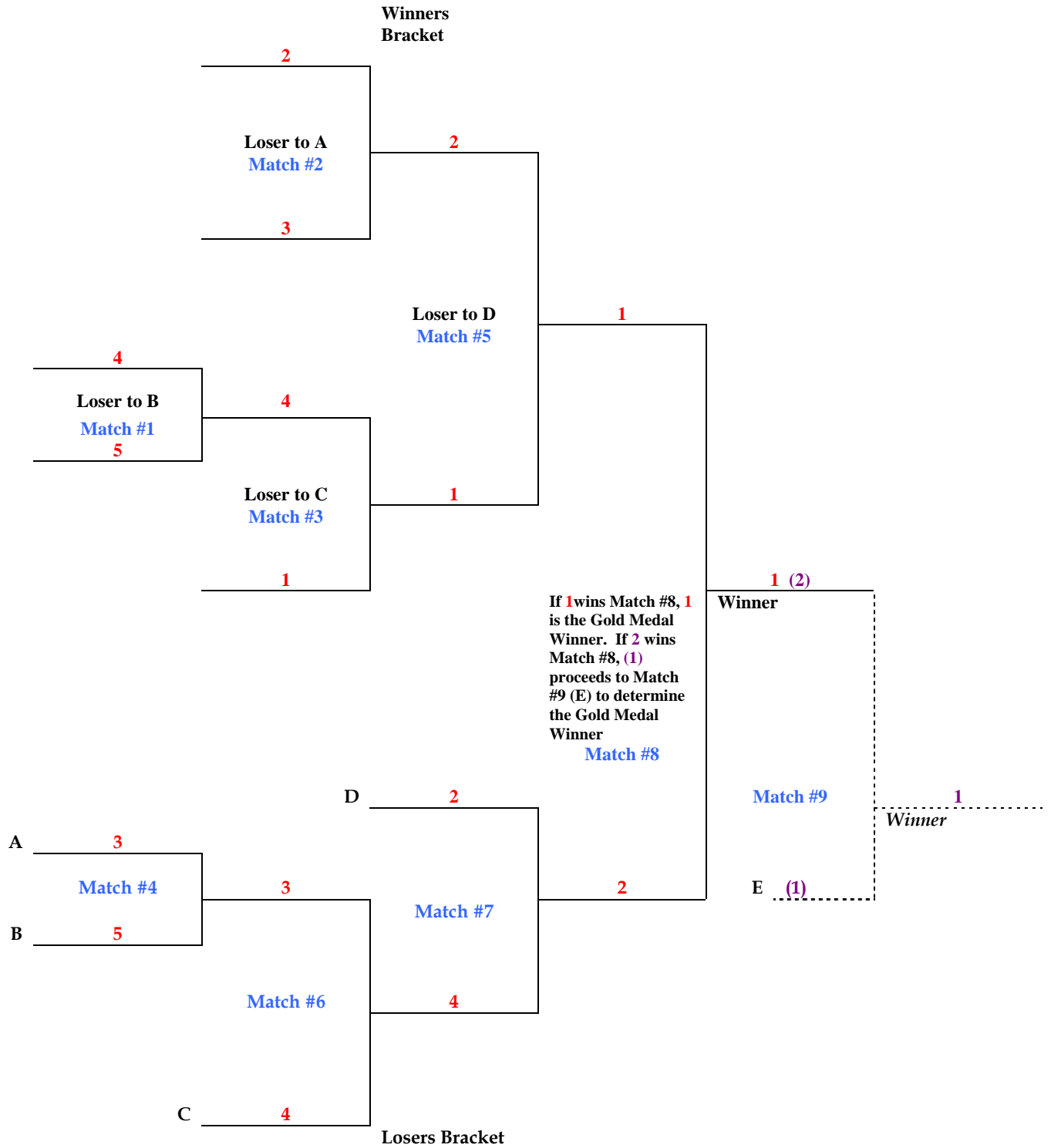
Byes are distributed in the first round of the original elimination brackets as in a single elimination tournament.

For double elimination all athletes will be seeded. Athletes do not need to compete in the same weight divisions in which they competed in PHASES 1 or 2 in order to receive a seed.

Seeding for each weight division will be administered by the prioritized list below:

1. 2009 National Team Member who won a medal at the 2009 World Championships Open – Per value, Gold, Silver, Bronze.
2. This is followed by a random draw of all 2010 National Team Members.
3. This is followed by a random draw of all remaining 2009 National Team Members.
4. This is followed by a random draw of all 1<sup>st</sup> place finishers from the PHASE 2 – 2010 Senior National Taekwondo Championships – World Class Division.
5. This is followed by a random draw of all 2<sup>nd</sup> place finishers from the PHASE 2 – 2010 Senior National Taekwondo Championships – World Class Division.

# Double Elimination Example Bracket



## **PHASE 4 – 2011 Pan American Games Fight-Off**

Weight Divisions:

There will be a maximum of four (4) male and four (4) female weight divisions contested in PHASE 4.

Only those weight divisions that were contested using a Round Robin Format in PHASE 3 – 2011 Pan American Games Team Trial will be contested in PHASE 4 – Pan American Games Fight-Off. If a Double Elimination Format was used in any of the weight divisions contested in PHASE 3 – 2011 Pan American Games Team Trial, then the winner of the Double Elimination Bracket for that weight division is waived from PHASE 4 – 2011 Pan American Games Fight-Off and named to the 2011 National Pan American Games Qualification Team (PHASE 5).

Men's division		Women's division	
Under 58kg	Not exceeding 58kg	Under 49kg	Not exceeding 49kg
Under 68kg	Over 58kg & not exceeding 68kg	Under 57kg	Over 49kg & not exceeding 57kg
Under 80kg	Over 68kg & not exceeding 80kg	Under 67kg	Over 57kg & not exceeding 67kg
Over 80kg	Over 80kg	Over 67kg	Over 67kg

The top two (2) finishers per gender from the Round Robin competition in PHASE 3 – 2011 Pan American Games Team Trial will face each other in a fight-off format.

In the fight-off format, the winner from PHASE 3 only needs to win once to be declared the winner of PHASE 4, while the athlete who placed second at PHASE 3 will need to win twice to be declared the winner of PHASE 4. The winner in each weight division of PHASE 4 – 2011 National Team Fight-Off earns a spot on the 2011 Pan American Games Qualification Team (PHASE 5).

## **PHASE 5 – 2011 Pan American Games Qualification Tournament**

The athlete in each division that is named to the 2011 Pan American Games Qualification Team will represent the United States Taekwondo Team at the Pan American Games Qualification Tournament. Event details, including date and location, will be determined by the Pan American Taekwondo Union (PATU), and once known, USA Taekwondo will post the announcement on its website.

If an athlete qualifies the US for a country spot for the 2011 Pan American Games at the PHASE 5 – 2011 Pan American Games Qualification Tournament they are also qualifying themselves by name and will be recommended to the 2011 Pan American Games Team. If the athlete does not qualify at the PHASE 5 – 2011 Pan American

Games Qualification Tournament but the athlete's division receives a wild card at a later time, this athlete will still be recommended to the 2011 Pan American Games Team.

- D. Provide the names of all committees/groups who oversee the selection process, including the names and titles of the current members.
- Mark Kaufmann, Director of Events, USA Taekwondo
  - Meredith Miller, Director of High Performance, USA Taekwondo
  - David Askinas, CEO, USA Taekwondo

## II. DISCRETIONARY SELECTION (if applicable)

- A. Provide rationale for utilizing discretionary selection (if any):

Not applicable.

- B. List the discretionary criteria and explain how they will be used (if any):

Not applicable.

- C. Discretionary Selection Committee

Provide the name of the committee that will be responsible for making discretionary selections, along with a complete list of the members currently serving on the committee and their titles:

Not applicable.

## III. REMOVAL OF ATHLETES

- A. Prior to acceptance of nominations by the USOC, the NGB has jurisdiction over potential nominees.

An athlete who is to be nominated to the Team by the NGB may be removed as a nominee for any of the following reasons, as determined by the NGB:

- Voluntary withdrawal. Athlete must submit a written letter to the NGB CEO/Executive Director.
- Injury or illness as certified by an approved NGB physician (or medical staff). If an athlete refuses verification of his/her illness or injury by an approved NGB physician (or medical staff), his/her injury will be assumed to be disabling and he/she may be removed.
- Violation of the NGB's Code of Conduct (Attachment A).

An athlete who is removed from the Team pursuant to this provision has the right to a hearing per the NGB's Bylaws (USAT Bylaws, Section 15, Complaint Procedures found at the following link: [http://assets.teamusa.org/assets/documents/attached\\_file/filename/15109/Bylaws\\_USAT\\_09.pdf](http://assets.teamusa.org/assets/documents/attached_file/filename/15109/Bylaws_USAT_09.pdf)) or the USOC's Bylaws, Section 9.

- B. After acceptance of nominations by the USOC, the USOC has jurisdiction over the Team under the USOC Code of Conduct and Grievance Procedures. This occurs no earlier than 45 days and no later than 30 days prior to the Opening Ceremonies of the Games (unless expressly waived by the USOC).

A Team member who is accepted by the USOC is subject to the USOC Code of Conduct and Grievance Procedures.

- C. An athlete may be removed as a nominee to the Team or from the Team at any time for violation of IOC, PASO, IPC, WADA, IF, USADA and/or USOC anti-doping protocol, policies and procedures, as applicable. In such instances, the adjudication process will be managed through the United States Anti-Doping Agency.

#### IV. REPLACEMENT OF ATHLETES

- A. Describe the process by which the replacement pool of athletes will be identified:

The athlete who finishes in second place at PHASE 3/4 - 2011 Pan American Games Team Trial/Fight-Off from the **same weight division** of the athlete to be replaced is the replacement athlete. If the replacement athlete is not available, then the third place finisher becomes the next eligible athlete. If the third place finisher is not available, then the fourth place finisher becomes the next eligible athlete. This continues until there are no eligible athletes in the same weight division at the PHASE 3/4 - 2011 Pan American Games Team Trial/Fight-Off. If by then, no athlete is available, the spot remains vacant.

- B. Describe how the replacement athlete(s) will be selected, should a vacancy occur:

- i. prior to acceptance of nominations by the USOC:

Not Applicable.

- ii. after acceptance of nominations by the USOC:

Not Applicable.

C. Identify the group or committee that will be responsible for making athlete replacement determinations:

i. Group or committee who determines the replacement pool:

Not Applicable.

ii. Group or committee who determines a replacement to the Team:

a. prior to acceptance of nominations by the USOC:

Not Applicable.

b. after acceptance of nominations by the USOC:

Not Applicable.

## V. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

USA Taekwondo will retain the approved Selection Procedures and all supporting documents, including scouting or evaluation forms, etc., and data from the selection process for six months past the date of the Closing Ceremonies of the Games.

## VI. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

The following documents are required to be signed by an athlete as a condition of nomination to the Pan American Games and are included as attachments:

- USA Taekwondo Code of Conduct - Attachment A

## VII. PUBLICITY/DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEDURES

The USOC approved Selection Procedures (complete and unaltered) will be posted/published by USA Taekwondo in the following locations and will include the USOC approval date:

- A. USA Taekwondo Web site: [www.usa-taekwondo.us](http://www.usa-taekwondo.us)  
These procedures will be posted as soon as possible, but not more than five business days following notice of approval by the USOC.
- B. NGB/PSO Official Publication (if any): USA Taekwondo Magazine

C. Other: N/A

## VIII. DATE OF NOMINATION

The Nomination of Athletes form, including replacements, will be announced to all athletes and submitted to the USOC on or before August 29, 2011.

## IX. MANDATORY TRAINING AND/OR COMPETITION

Specify the location, schedule and duration of mandatory training and/or competition:

- **Pan American Games Team Camp - Performance Enhancement Prep**

Once an athlete is nominated to the Pan American Games Qualification Team they shall actively participate in no more than 3 mandatory preparation camps that will take place in locations to be determined over the course of the months leading up to the PHASE 5 - 2011 Pan American Games Qualification Tournament and 2011 Pan American Games. Notification of the date and location will be no less than 30 days from the start of the camp. Waivers from this camp are not permitted, unless there are extraordinary circumstances. At that point, it is reviewed and either accepted or rejected by the USAT CEO, Director of High Performance and National Team Head Coaches.

## X. ANTI-DOPING REQUIREMENTS

Athletes must adhere to all IOC, IPC, PASO, WADA, IF, USADA and USOC anti-doping protocols, policies and procedures, as applicable. This includes participation in Out-of-Competition Testing as required by the IOC, IPC, PASO, WADA, IF, USADA and USOC Rules, as applicable.

## XI. DEVELOPMENT OF SELECTION PROCEDURES

The following committee/group (include names and titles) was responsible for creating these Selection Procedures:

- Eric Laurin, USOC/AAC representative, USA Taekwondo
- Meredith Miller, Director of High Performance, USA Taekwondo
- David Askinas, CEO, USA Taekwondo
- Jean Lopez, National Team Coach, USA Taekwondo
- Juan Moreno, National Team Coach, USA Taekwondo

## XII. NGB/PSO BYLAWS AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

The USA Taekwondo Bylaws and Grievance Procedures can be found at:

[http://assets.teamusa.org/assets/documents/attached\\_file/filename/15109/Bylaws\\_USAT\\_09.pdf](http://assets.teamusa.org/assets/documents/attached_file/filename/15109/Bylaws_USAT_09.pdf)

### **XIII. INTERNATIONAL DISCLAIMER**

These procedures are based on IOC, IPC, PASO, as applicable, and/or World Taekwondo Federation (WTF) rules and regulations as presently known and understood. Any change in the selection procedures caused by a change in IOC, IPC, PASO, as applicable, and/or WTF rules and regulations will be distributed to the affected athletes immediately. The selection criteria are based on the latest information available to USA Taekwondo. However, the selections are always subject to unforeseen, intervening circumstances, and realistically may not have accounted for every possible contingency.

If any force of nature, or force majeure, should cause the alteration or cancellation of any of the selection events listed in this document, these selection procedures will be revised, pursuant to their resubmission to the USOC.



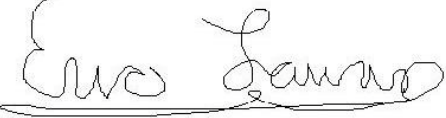
### **XIV. ATHLETE OMBUDSMAN**

Athletes who have questions regarding their opportunity to compete that are not answered by USA Taekwondo may contact the USOC Athlete Ombudsman, John W. Ruger, by:

- Toll free telephone at (888) ATHLETE (1-888-284-5383)
- E-mail at [john.ruger@usoc.org](mailto:john.ruger@usoc.org)
- [www.888athlete.org](http://www.888athlete.org)

## XV. NGB/PSO SIGNATURES

I certify that I have read, understand and incorporated our IF and/or CF (PAG only), if applicable, standards/criteria into our Selection Procedures and that the information provided herein regarding Athlete Selection Procedures represents the method approved by USA Taekwondo.

Position	Print Name	Signature	Date
NGB/PSO President or CEO/Executive Director	David Askinas		3/30/10
Nat. Team Coach, Head Coach, or Nat. Program Director	Meredith Miller		3/30/10
USOC Athletes' Advisory Council Representative*	Eric Laurin		3/30/10

\*If USOC AAC Representative has delegated authority to the Alternate AAC Representative to sign the Selection Procedures, attach a letter from the AAC Representative indicating the reason he/she has delegated authority.

\*Signature by the AAC Representative constitutes that he/she has read and understands the Selection Procedures and certifies that the Selection Procedures submitted represent the method approved by the NGB/PSO. If the AAC Representative reads and does not agree with the Athlete Selection Procedures being submitted by the NGB/PSO, he/she may submit those reasons in writing to his/her Sport Performance representative.

# USA Taekwondo Code of Conduct

## ATHLETE PLEDGE

I pledge to uphold the spirit of the USA Taekwondo Code of Conduct (the “Code”), which offers a guide to my conduct as a member of the USA National Team (the “Team”). I acknowledge that I have a right to a hearing if my opportunity to compete is denied or if I am charged with a violation of this Code.

I have familiarized myself with the Code and understand that acceptance of its provisions is a condition of my selection to the Team.

**As a Member of the Team, I hereby promise and agree that I:**

- will abide by all published rules related to the Team selection procedures as approved by USA Taekwondo;
- have acted and will act in a sportsmanlike manner consistent with the spirit of fair play and responsible conduct;
- will maintain a level of fitness and competitive readiness that will permit my performance to be at the maximum of my abilities;
- will submit to a physical examination by USA Taekwondo medical personnel if my ability to compete is compromised due to physical injury and I understand that such injury may be cause for my not being selected to the Team, being removed from the Team, or not being allowed to participate if I remain on the Team.
- will not commit a doping violation as defined by the International Olympic Committee (IOC), World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA), the United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA), the United States Olympic Committee (USOC) or the World Taekwondo Federation rules;
- am not currently serving a doping violation and/or do not have a pending or unresolved doping charge;
- will not engage in any conduct that is criminal under any laws applicable to me, including, but not limited to laws governing the possession and use of drugs and alcohol and providing of drugs to any person and of alcohol to minors;
- will not participate or assist in any gambling or betting activities associated with any event related to my sport or my participation;

- am eligible to compete under the rules of World Taekwondo Federation;
- am in possession of a valid USA passport, that will not expire prior to six months following the conclusion of the international competition, should I be chosen for an international team that requires a passport;
- will refrain from conduct detracting from my ability or that of my teammates to attain peak performance;
- will respect the property of others whether personal or public;
- will respect members of my Team, other teams, spectators and officials, and engage in no form of discriminatory behavior or verbal, physical or sexual harassment or abuse;
- will follow my Team's written rules, including by way of example, rules regarding curfew, required attendance at team meetings, consumption of alcoholic beverages and prohibitions on the release of confidential team information;
- am aware that USA Taekwondo sponsors, suppliers and licensees provide critical support for the Team and, in recognition of this fact, I will wear designated USA Taekwondo apparel at all official Team functions and events;
- will not conceal or cover-up any USA Taekwondo sponsor, supplier or licensee brand or other identification appearing on my USA Taekwondo apparel;
- will abide by the rules of the World Taekwondo Federation concerning allowable trademark identification on clothing and equipment worn or used in competition or on visible body tattoos.
- agree to be filmed and photographed by the official photographer(s) and network(s) of USA Taekwondo under conditions authorized by USA Taekwondo and give event organizers and USA Taekwondo the right to use my name, picture, likeness, and biographical information before, during and after the period of my participation in these activities to promote the activity in which I participate or to promote the success of the team on which I compete; in no event may USA Taekwondo or the event organizers use or authorize the use of my name, picture, likeness, voice and biographical information for the purpose of trade, including any use in a manner that would imply an endorsement of any company, product, or service, without my written permission;
- will not use or authorize the use of photographs, films or videos of myself in my USA Taekwondo apparel or equipment or the use of the USA Taekwondo logo for the purpose of trade, without the prior written consent of USA Taekwondo;
- will attempt to participate in media activities if compatible with my training and competitive schedule, when requested by USA Taekwondo;
- understand that if I require legal representation because of I am accused of a doping violation

or am accused of criminal misconduct, or if for any other reasons I require the services of an attorney, I will be personally responsible for payment of such legal fees and expenses;

- will act in a way that will bring respect and honor to myself, my teammates, USA Taekwondo and the United States; and
- will remember that at all times I am an ambassador for my sport, my country and the Olympic Movement.

## ATHLETE OMBUDSMAN

I may contact the USOC Athlete Ombudsman,  
toll free at 888.ATHLETE (1.888.284.5383) or [John.Ruger@usoc.org](mailto:John.Ruger@usoc.org)  
for further information regarding my rights under this Code  
that are not answered by USA Taekwondo.

## PARTICIPANTS' AFFIRMATION

I have read and accept this Code of Conduct. I agree to the rules, guidelines, jurisdiction and procedures stated in these documents as a condition of being selected to participate as a member of the Team.

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Signature

Date

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Print Name

### PARENT/GUARDIAN CERTIFICATION (For Participants Under the Age of 18 as of Date of Signature)

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Signature

Date

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Print Name and Relationship (Parent or Guardian)