



**USA PENTATHLON  
ATHLETE SELECTION PROCEDURES  
2012 OLYMPIC GAMES  
September 29, 2011**

**I. SELECTION SYSTEM**

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

1. Citizenship:

Athletes must be a citizen of the United States at the time of nomination and hold a valid U.S. passport that will not expire for six months after the conclusion of the Games.

2. Minimum International Federation (UIPM) standards for participation in the Olympic Games:

Athlete must possess the UIPM minimum overall Pentathlon Score required for the Olympic Games, if any. See [www.pentathlon.org](http://www.pentathlon.org) for current information.

3. Other requirements (if any):

Athletes must be a member in good standing with USAP and must possess a UIPM Athletes License to participate in the trials process. Licenses may be obtained by contacting USA Pentathlon.



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.

1. 2011 World Cup Final July 9, 10, 2011 *London, England*
2. 2011 Senior World Championships Sept. 8 – 14 *Moscow, Russia*
3. 2011 Pan American Games October 15 – 16 – *Guadalajara, Mexico*
4. 2012 World Cup #1 March 8-12, 2012 *Charlotte N.C., USA\**
5. 2012 World Cup #2 March 15-18, 2012 *Rio de Janeiro, Brazil\**
6. 2012 World Cup #3 April 12-15, 2012 *Szekesfeheroar, HUN\**
7. 2012 World Championship May 7-May 13, 2012 *Rome, Italy\**
8. 2012 World Cup Final May 26 – 27 *Chengdu, China*

ANY OTHER UIPM SANCTIONED EVENTS RECEIVING POINTS FOR OLYMPIC SELECTION WHICH THE UIPM WILL USE FOR FINAL RANKING. See [WWW.PENTATHLON.ORG](http://WWW.PENTATHLON.ORG) for the updated list.

\*International Events to be finalized at the November 11-13, 2011 UIPM Congress. See [www.pentathlon.org](http://www.pentathlon.org) for the current calendar of UIPM events.

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).

1. USA Pentathlon Domestic National Team Qualifier #1  
December 17, 18, 2011, Colorado Springs, CO. To be Confirmed (TBC).
2. USA Pentathlon Domestic National Team Qualifier #2 January  
14, 15 2012, Colorado Springs, CO. TBC
3. USA Pentathlon Domestic National Team Qualifier #3  
February 4, 5, 2012, Colorado Springs, CO (TBC).

Final confirmation of these domestic events will be posted at [www.usapentathlon.org](http://www.usapentathlon.org) at least 30 days prior to the domestic competition.



- 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 for the Olympic Games (including maximum Team size).

Team size may be up to 4 (2 male/2 female). Final confirmation will be posted on <http://usapentathlon.org/>, if different from the above.

Final selection to the 2012 London Olympic Games Team shall ultimately be made by the UIPM through a number of methods detailed below.

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

#### **ATHLETES PLEASE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE UIPM 2012 OLYMPIC SELECTION SYSTEM -- SEE ATTACHMENT A**

Athletes may qualify by name through exceptional performances as detailed below. However, meeting the below criteria does not mean automatic qualification to the Olympic Team. Should the US have qualified more than the maximum number of quota places (2 male and 2 female) at the end of the qualification period, nomination to the Olympic Team will be determined via the Olympic Games Selection Tie Breaker criteria detailed within these procedures.

Please reference the Section entitled, "Olympic Games Selection Tie Breaker:" on pages 7-8 of these Procedures.

Regarding attachment A, UIPM 2012 Olympic Selection System, you will note some methods allow for early selection of US athletes through exceptional performance at the following specified 2011 Championship events. However, as stated above, should the US qualify more than the maximum number of quota places (2 male and 2 female) at the end of the qualification period, nomination to the Olympic Team will be determined via the Olympic Games Selection Tie Breaker criteria detailed within these procedures;

2011 World Cup Final, London, England, July 9-10, 2011-- 1 Place - Winner of the World Cup Final (Male/Female)

2011 World Championships, Moscow, Russia, Sept. 8-14, 2011-- 3 Places - First three finishers not already qualified. (Male/Female)



2011 Pan American Games, Guadalajara, Mexico, Oct. 5-16-- 1 Place – The top finisher from North America. (male/female)

In 2012, the primary means of qualification shall be through a top 3 finish in the 2012 World Championships and through the accumulation of UIPM points earned at UIPM qualifying competitions as 7 places will be distributed through this method. The UIPM shall keep a record of points earned at qualifying UIPM competitions (see UIPM website [www.pentathlon.org](http://www.pentathlon.org)) and rank all athletes accordingly for 2012 Olympic Selection. This may be called the UIPM Olympic Pentathlon World Ranking List or PWR or UIPM Olympic Ranking List.

For the purposes of this document, the *UIPM Olympic Pentathlon World Ranking List* shall mean THE designated list which the UIPM uses to choose those athletes who shall be selected to compete in the London 2012 Olympic Pentathlon event.

### **UIPM Olympic Pentathlon World Ranking List**

*NOTE: This List will be propagated by the UIPM and is NOT the current Pentathlon World Ranking (PWR) List or the World Cup List.*

Seven (7) quota places will be allocated to the next best seven (7) best ranked athletes according to the UIPM Olympic Pentathlon World Ranking List as of 1 June 2012, who have not yet qualified.

If an athlete achieves a qualification place at the 2011 World Cup Final, the 2011 World Championships, the 2011 Pan American Games, the 2012 UIPM World Championships or via the UIPM Olympic Pentathlon World Ranking List (as of 1 June 2012) and has already qualified, his/her place will be reallocated to the next best ranked athletes and thereafter according to the UIPM Olympic Pentathlon World Ranking List (as of 1 June 2012).

Athletes who qualify for an Olympic spot in 2011 according to the published UIPM Qualification System (WCF, World Championships, or

Pan American Games) are automatically assigned to the USA Pentathlon Olympic Team Short List. See Below under “Automatic Qualification to the USA Pentathlon Olympic Team Short List”.



## Eligibility to Compete in 2012 Qualifying Competitions

For US Athletes to be eligible to compete in 2012 UIPM competitions where points for the UIPM Olympic Pentathlon World Ranking List (PWR) will be awarded, the athletes must earn the right to compete through the following 2012 USA Pentathlon domestic system.

### USA Pentathlon Ranking List #1 To Be Established Following the Completion of USA Pentathlon Domestic Competitions 1,2 and 3.

A series of three (3) USA Pentathlon Domestic Qualifying Events shall be held to create USA Pentathlon Ranking List #1. These USA Pentathlon Domestic competitions are scheduled to take place December 17 and 18 2011, in Colorado Springs, CO, (TBC) and January 14, 15 2012, in Colorado Springs, CO (TBC) and February 4, 5, 2012 in Colorado Springs, CO (TBC). All USA Pentathlon Domestic qualifying events are to be held in Colorado Springs to ensure consistency in the competitions regarding horses, running course etc..

#### **AVERAGE of the best two out of three USA Pentathlon Domestic Scores**

The highest ranking 12 male and female athletes will be eligible to compete in the 2012 World Cup #1 Team based on **the average of two (2) best results of three (3) USA Pentathlon Domestic competitions** (using place) scheduled

to take place December 17 and 18 2011, in Colorado Springs, CO, (TBC) and January 14, 15 2012, in Colorado Springs, CO (TBC) and February 4, 5, 2012 in Colorado Springs, CO (TBC) using the points system (see attachment B). The results of the average of best two of three USA Pentathlon Domestic Competitions shall comprise USA

USA Pentathlon Ranking List #1. Final confirmation of these domestic events will be posted at [www.usapentathlon.org](http://www.usapentathlon.org) at least 30 days prior to the domestic competition.

As hosts of the 2012 World Cup #1, USA Pentathlon may be awarded (based on UIPM approval) **UP TO** 12 slots per gender for the competition. These

athletes will be selected in rank order from USA Pentathlon Ranking List #1 to participate in 2012 World Cup #1. Athletes will be notified of selection to 2012 World Cup #1 not less than 15 days prior to the start of 2012 World Cup #1.



## TIES IN SELECTION TO WORLD CUP #1

**Ties between athletes for selection to 2012 World Cup #1**(USA, TBC) shall be “broken” by first comparing the results of the Combined event (run/shoot) scores of the **most recent mutually contested** result of each athlete (from the USA Pentathlon Domestic Competitions 1,2 and 3) with the higher scoring (in the combined event) athlete prevailing. Should there

continue to be a tie, then the results of the following disciplines shall be compared, in order until said tie is “broken” with the higher scoring athlete prevailing. The following order shall be used for tie-breaking purposes, Combined event (run/shoot), Riding, Swimming and finally Fencing.

## **USA Pentathlon Ranking List #2 and the Creation of the “USA Pentathlon Olympic Team Short List for the Olympic Games of London 2012.**

**Following 2012 World Cup #1 (USA TBC) the scores from USA Pentathlon Ranking List # 1 plus the USA Ranking List points (earned at 2012 World Cup #1) and the UIPM Pentathlon World Ranking List Points (PWR points) earned at 2012 World Cup #1 (see table Attachment B) shall be combined (totaled) and the athletes listed in rank order to create USA Pentathlon Ranking List #2 of which the top 5 athletes (to include automatic qualifiers based on 2011 results) shall comprise the USA Pentathlon Olympic Team Short List for 2012.**

Excluding the automatic qualifiers based on 2011 results, the lowest ranked athlete named to the USA Pentathlon Olympic Team Short List **shall be the reserve athlete** in the event of illness, injury or other circumstance (resulting in the athlete being unable to attend a UIPM competition) to any of the first four ranked athletes from USA Pentathlon Ranking List #2.

These athletes shall comprise the **USA Pentathlon Olympic Team Short List**. The **USA Pentathlon Olympic Team Short List** athletes shall be invited to participate in World Cups 2 and 3.

## **If There Are Additional Places Available Beyond the 5 Athletes on the USA Pentathlon Olympic Team Short List.**

If there are still places available to participate after the USA Pentathlon Olympic Team Short List athletes have had the opportunity to accept or



decline the invitation, additional eligible athletes in rank order from the USAP Ranking List #2 may be invited to participate in World Cup events. This invitation will be offered as soon as USA Pentathlon is aware and it is confirmed that there is an open place. Circumstances may cause this to take place with little advance notice.

**2012 World Championships May 7 to 13<sup>rd</sup>, Rome, Italy and World Cup Final Chengdu, China May 26 and 27<sup>th</sup> 2012.**

The top US athletes in rank order (3 or 4 UIPM allocation depending) on the UIPM Olympic Pentathlon World Ranking List shall comprise the US Team to the 2012 World Championships in Rome, Italy, May 7 to 13. Those athletes selected through UIPM Olympic Pentathlon World Ranking List shall have the opportunity to participate in the 2012 World Cup Final to be held in

Chengdu, China may 26 and 27<sup>th</sup> 2012.

**The “UIPM Olympic Ranking List” and Additional Competitions**

The UIPM shall keep a record of points earned at qualifying UIPM competitions (see UIPM website [www.pentathlon.org](http://www.pentathlon.org)) and rank all athletes accordingly for 2012 Olympic Selection. –*UIPM Olympic Pentathlon World Ranking List* shall mean ANY designated list which the UIPM uses to choose those athletes who shall be selected to compete in the London 2012 Olympic Pentathlon event.

This list shall ultimately be the list which the UIPM uses to invite athletes to participate in the 2012 Olympic Games who have not qualified through any other method (World Championship medalists, PAN AM Games, World Cup Final etc.. see UIPM Olympic Selection System Attachment A). **THIS LIST SHALL CLOSE ON JUNE 1, 2012.** World Cup Competitions are the primary events in which to earn UIPM points for the UIPM Olympic Pentathlon World Ranking List. However, there are additional competitions where points may be awarded based on UIPM rules (see UIPM website [www.pentathlon.org](http://www.pentathlon.org) ). Priority regarding these competitions will be given to the athletes in rank order from USA Pentathlon Ranking list #2 and the USA Pentathlon Olympic Team Short List. Athletes wishing to enter must

notify USA Pentathlon not later than 15 days in advance of the start of the competition in which they wish to participate and will be notified not later than 14 days in advance of the competition if their entry has been accepted.



(Unless circumstances dictate otherwise—in which case notification will be as soon as possible).

**UIPM RE-ALLOCATION**  
**Regarding the 2012 UIPM Olympic Pentathlon World Ranking List**

If an athlete achieves a qualification place at the 2011 World Cup Final, the 2011 World Championships, 2011 Pan American Games, the 2012 UIPM World Championships or via the UIPM Olympic Pentathlon World Ranking List (as of 1 June 2012) and has already qualified, his/her place will be reallocated to the next best ranked athletes and thereafter according to the UIPM Olympic Pentathlon World Ranking List (as of 1 June 2012).

**Olympic Games Selection Tie Breaker:**

**The quota place is allocated to the athlete by name. National Olympic Committees (NOCs) with more than two (2) qualified athletes per gender at the end of the selection period have the authority to decide which two (2) athletes they will enter.**

**Should USA Pentathlon have more athletes per gender qualified for the Olympic Games, than the two (2) slots per gender available, then the priority for determining which two (2) athletes shall be nominated by USAP shall be in the following order of priority:**

- 1. If Qualified through 2011 World Cup Final**
- 2. If Qualified through 2012 World Championships**
- 3. If Qualified through 2011 World Championships**
- 4. If Qualified through UIPM Olympic Pentathlon World Ranking List**
- AFTER**
- RE-ALLOCATION of June 1.**
- 5. If Qualified through 2011 Pan American Games**

- D. Provide the names of all committees/groups who oversee the selection process, including the names and titles of the current members.

Rob Stull	USA Pentathlon Managing Director
Genadijus Sokolovas	USA Pentathlon High Performance
Monica Fling Rowland	USA Pentathlon “AAC” Rep.



## II. DISCRETIONARY SELECTION (if applicable)

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

N/A

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

N/A

C. Discretionary Selection Committee

N/A

## III. REMOVAL OF ATHLETES

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

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

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

An athlete who is removed from the Team pursuant to this provision has the right to a hearing per the USA Pentathlon Bylaws, Article 14 or the USOC's Bylaws, Section 9 see [www.usoc.org](http://www.usoc.org).

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.

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:

If an athlete needs to be replaced, the UIPM will be responsible for replacing the athlete with the next highest eligible athlete on the UIPM Olympic Pentathlon World Ranking List.

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

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

See "Tie Breaker" section on Page 8

- ii. after acceptance of nominations by the USOC:

See IV. A.

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

- i. Group or committee who determines the replacement pool:

N/A



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

a. prior to acceptance of nominations by the USOC:

N/A

b. after acceptance of nominations by the USOC:

N/A

## V. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

USA Pentathlon 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 Olympic Games and are included as attachments:

USA Pentathlon Code of Conduct (See Attachment C)

## VII. PUBLICITY/DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEDURES

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

A. NGB/PSO Web site:

[www.usapentathlon.org](http://www.usapentathlon.org)

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):



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 July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012 and following the date of re-allocation of Olympic places thru the UIPM World Ranking List after June 30<sup>th</sup> 2012.

## **IX. MANDATORY TRAINING AND/OR COMPETITION**

Athletes nominated to the Olympic Games are required to attend the Olympic Games Training Camp and designated competitions. If an athlete cannot attend, they must submit in writing why they are unable to attend and will be given a written response by USAP within 72 hours of receiving the athletes letter. The Modern Pentathlon Coach and High Performance Staff designated by USA Pentathlon will provide in writing, the determination if the athlete is or is not excused from training camp or competition.

*Athletes nominated will be notified of all training and/or competitions at least 30 days prior to the start of the mandatory training/competition.*

## **X. ANTI-DOPING REQUIREMENTS**

Athletes must adhere to all IOC, 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, 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:

Rob Stull	USA Pentathlon Managing Director
Genadijus Sokolovas	USA Pentathlon High Performance
Monica Fling Rowland	USA Pentathlon "AAC" Representative



## **XII. NGB/PSO BYLAWS AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES**

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

[www.usapentathlon.org](http://www.usapentathlon.org)

## **XIII. INTERNATIONAL DISCLAIMER**

These procedures are based on IOC, as applicable, and/or UIPM rules and regulations as presently known and understood. Any change in the selection procedures caused by a change in IOC, as applicable, and/or UIPM rules and regulations will be distributed to the affected athletes immediately. The selection criteria are based on the latest information available to USA Pentathlon. 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 Pentathlon may contact the USOC Athlete Ombudsman, John W. Ruger, by:

- Telephone at (719) 866-5000
- Toll-free telephone at (888) ATHLETE (1-888-284-5383)
- E-mail at [john.ruger@usoc.org](mailto:john.ruger@usoc.org)
- [www.athleteombudsman.org](http://www.athleteombudsman.org)

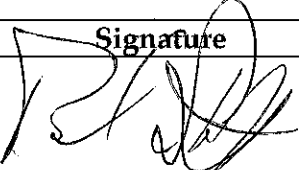


#### XV. NGB/PSO SIGNATURES

**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 Pentathlon.**

Position	Print Name	Signature	Date
NGB Managing Director	Rob Stull		
Nat. Program Director	Genadijus Sokolovas		
USOC Athletes' Advisory Council Representative*	Monica Fling Rowland		

\*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

**Signature Page 2012 Athlete Selection Procedures**

<b>Position</b>	<b>Print Name</b>	<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>
NGB Managing Director	Rob Stull		10/11/11
Nat. Program Director	Genadijus Sokolovas		10/11/11
USOC Athletes' Advisory Council Representative*	Monica Fling Rowland		10/11/11

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## ATTACHMENT A

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## ATTACHMENT B

# 2012 USA Senior Points Tables and Ranking Lists

### USA Ranking List #1 Points Table for Purposes of Selection to USA WC #1

Final placing in Domestic Competitions Dec 2011, Jan, Feb 2012	2011/2012 U.S. Domestic Qualifier Points (DQP) Dec 2011, Jan , Feb 2012	Avg* of 2 of 3 US Domestic Competition Points ( Add best 2 results using DQP and divide by 2)
1	15	
2	13	
3	11	
4	9	
5	8	
6	7	
7	6	
8	5	
9	4	
10	3	
11	2	
12	1	



Points Tables to be Used in Formula for Creating USA Ranking List #2 and Olympic Short List

Final placing In WC #1 competition Relative to all other Americans in Competition Only.	2012 USA World Cup #1 Points Earned Using Only American finishers and their place in WC #1.	Overall Athlete Place in USA World Cup #1 (considering all athletes in competition).	UIPM World Cup Points Earned-- to 36 <sup>th</sup> Place Only in USA WC #1
1 <sup>st</sup> American	60	1 <sup>st</sup>	60
2 <sup>nd</sup> American	52	2 <sup>nd</sup>	55
3 <sup>rd</sup> American	44	3 <sup>rd</sup>	51
4 <sup>th</sup> American	36	4 <sup>th</sup>	48
5 <sup>th</sup> American	32	5 <sup>th</sup>	46
6 <sup>th</sup> American	28	6 <sup>th</sup>	44
7 <sup>th</sup> American	24	7 <sup>th</sup>	42
8 <sup>th</sup> American	20	8 <sup>th</sup>	40
9 <sup>th</sup> American	16	9 <sup>th</sup>	39
10 <sup>th</sup> American	12	10 <sup>th</sup>	38
11 <sup>th</sup> American	8	11 <sup>th</sup>	37
12 <sup>th</sup> American	4	12 <sup>th</sup> /13 <sup>th</sup> /14 <sup>th</sup> /15 <sup>th</sup> /... 36 <sup>th</sup>	36/35/34/33/... /12







## ATTACHMENT C

### USA Pentathlon Code of Conduct

### ATHLETE PLEDGE

I pledge to uphold the spirit of the USA Pentathlon 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 Pentathlon;
- 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 Pentathlon 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 Union International de Pentathlon Moderne (UIPM) 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 Union International de Pentathlon Moderne;
- 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 Pentathlon sponsors, suppliers and licensees provide critical support for the Team and, in recognition of this fact, I will wear designated USA Pentathlon apparel at all official Team functions and events;
- will not conceal or cover-up any USA Pentathlon sponsor, supplier or licensee brand or other identification appearing on my USA Pentathlon apparel;
- will abide by the rules of the Union International de Pentathlon Moderne 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 Pentathlon under conditions authorized by USA Pentathlon and give event organizers and USA Pentathlon 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 Pentathlon 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 Pentathlon apparel or equipment or the use of the USA Pentathlon logo for the purpose of trade, without the prior written consent of USA Pentathlon;
- will attempt to participate in media activities if compatible with my training and competitive schedule, when requested by USA Pentathlon;
- 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 Pentathlon 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 Pentathlon.

**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)