US SAILING

ATHLETE SELECTION PROCEDURES

FORMULA KITE MEN's and WOMEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS October 11-17, 2021 | Torregrande, Italy

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If entries per country are limited for the Formula Kite Men's and Women's World Championships ("the Event"), this document will govern the selection for sailors representing the United States. The Notice of Race (NoR) is posted HERE.

Definition of a Prospective Athlete

A person meeting all the Athlete Eligibility requirements specified herein who wishes to compete in the Event.

1. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

- All prospective athletes shall be registered as a current and active 'World Sailing Sailor' on the World Sailing website.
- Athletes must be members in good standing of US Sailing.
- Athletes must meet all requirements in the NoR including those regarding nationality, gender and anti-doping.
- Athletes must comply with the US Sailing Code of Conduct (Attachment 1) from the publication date of this document through the Event.

2. SELECTION PROCEDURES FOR TOP TWO ENTRIES

US Sailing's International Selection Committee (ISC) will select the top two prospective athletes based on their finish position in the Formula Kite class at the West Marine US Open Sailing Series-San Francisco, August 13-15, 2021 at St. Francis Yacht Club.

The race scores of ineligible athletes who compete in these events and finish ahead of eligible athletes will count in this scoring system; e.g.: a 10th place finish in each race is 10 points regardless of the eligibility of athletes finishing 1st through 9th.

3. DISCRETIONARY SELECTION

If additional entries per country are available, the ISC will rank prospective athletes for selection based on performance at previous Formula Kite and Open KiteFoil events including performance in both those classes at the West Marine US Open Sailing Series – San Francisco, August 13-15, 2021.

Athletes must submit their sailing resume to US Sailing (olympic@ussailing.org) no later than August 20th, 2021. The ISC will make a selection decision by September 1st, 2021.

If the West Marine US Open Sailing Series – San Francisco is cancelled or is a "non-event," as defined in the NoR for that event, the ISC will rank all prospective athletes for selection based on their performance at previous events.

4. REMOVAL OR WITHDRAWAL OF ATHLETES

An athlete who has been nominated to represent the U.S. may be removed for any of the following reasons:

- Voluntary withdrawal. Athlete must submit a written letter to Meredith Brody, Olympic Director, at MeredithBrody@ussailing.org.
- Violation of the Code of Conduct (Attachment 1). Any athlete found to have violated the Code of Conduct (Attachment 1) at any time from the publishing of this document through the completion of the Event may not be eligible to represent the USA at the Event. All decisions regarding an Athlete's violations of the Code of Conduct in regard to an athlete's eligibility to compete at the Event will be made by US Sailing based on the procedures defined in the US Sailing Bylaws and Regulations.

5. DEVELOPMENT OF SELECTION PROCEDURES

The following committee was responsible for creating these Selection Procedures:

JJ Fetter | Chair of International Selection Committee, Olympian

Meredith Brody | US Sailing Olympic Director

Maggie Shea | Athlete Advisory Representative, Tokyo 2020 Nominated Olympian

Judge Ryan | Alternate Athlete Advisory Representative

Charlie McKee | Olympian

Briana Provancha | US Sailing Director, Olympian

Luther Carpenter | US Sailing Team Head Coach

Sally Barkow | US Sailing Team Coach and Performance Manager, Olympian

Joe Morris | former Athlete Advisory Representative, Olympian

Thomas Barrows | US Sailing Team Coach, Olympian

Dave Perry | US Sailing Team Rules Advisor

Paul Cayard | Executive Director US Olympic Sailing, Olympian

Leandro Spina | Olympic Development Director

6. ATHLETE OMBUDSMAN

Athletes who have questions regarding their opportunity to compete that are not answered by US Sailing may contact either of the following:

- US Sailing Athlete Ombudsman, Bob Lane by email at rlane@hmallc.com.
- USOPC Athlete Ombudsman Kacie Wallace by email at kacie@usathlete.org.

Telephone | (719) 866-2299

Toll-free telephone | 1-(888) ATHLETE (1-888-284-5383)

Email | athlete.ombudsman@usoc.org

https://www.teamusa.org/Athlete-Ombuds

7. DISCLAIMER

The Selection Criteria are based on the latest information available to US Sailing.

AS THE NATIONAL GOVERNING BODY FOR SAILING IN THE UNITED STATES, THE COMMITTEE MAY NOT DISCRIMINATE BASED UPON THE APPLICANT'S RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, AGE, SEX OR NATIONAL ORIGIN, DISABILITY, VETERAN STATUS, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, GENDER IDENTITY OR EXPRESSION, GENETIC INFORMATION, OR ANY OTHER STATUS PROTECTED BY FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL LAW, WHERE APPLICABLE.



Attachment 1: 2021 US Sailing Code of Conduct for 2021 Formula Kite Men's and Women's World Championships

The Athlete hereby pledges to uphold the spirit of US Sailing's Code of Conduct (the "Code"), which offers a guide to the Athlete's conduct. The Athlete acknowledges that he or she has a right to a hearing if the opportunity to compete is denied or if charged with a violation of this Code.

The Athlete commits to familiarization with the Code and understands that acceptance of its provisions is a condition of selection to the event. Failure to meet any term in the Code of Conduct will not be tolerated. Athletes who violate the Code of Conduct will be subject to a disciplinary review by US Sailing and penalties that may include suspension or removal from the event.

As a Member of the Travel Team, the Athlete hereby promises and agrees that s/he:

- Shall abide by all rules related to the selection procedures as approved by US Sailing;
- Shall exercise good judgment and conduct themself with honesty, integrity, and respect for
 others at all times, including acting in a sportsmanlike manner consistent with the spirit of fair
 play;
- Shall maintain a level of fitness and competitive readiness that will permit performance at the maximum of the athlete's abilities;
- Shall follow the World Sailing Anti-Doping Code, the World Anti-Doping Code and the United States Anti-Doping Protocol, acknowledging the World Sailing, World Anti-Doping Agency and US Anti-Doping Agency rules and regulations concerning the use of banned methods and substances. Drug testing may take place during the event;
- Is not currently serving an Anti-Doping Agency violation and does not have a pending or unresolved violation charge;
- Shall review medications on <u>www.globaldro.com</u> and determine if any medications are considered Prohibited. If considered Prohibited, athletes will have to apply for a TUE, Therapeutic Usage Exemption. Any questions can go to <u>olympic@ussailing.org</u>;
- Shall be familiar with and follow the SafeSport rules, policies, and procedures adopted by the USOPC Center for SafeSport, as such rules may be amended from time to time;
- Shall successfully complete SafeSport training upon signing the Code of Conduct. Training is required every year, with a refresher course for those who have previously completed the SafeSport Training;
 - To complete the training: go to the <u>SafeSport website</u>.
 - Create an account (if not done so already) by entering Athlete's US Sailing member ID
 - Follow instructions for online training
- Shall complete a background check through the US Sailing provider upon signing the Code of Conduct and promptly complete this screening after receiving the e-mail prompt by Hire Image, the screening company retained by US Sailing;
- Shall not engage in any conduct that is criminal under any laws applicable to the athlete, 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;

• Is eligible to compete under the rules of World Sailing;

Typed name below is considered legal and binding.

Date

- Shall refrain from conduct detracting from athlete's ability or that of teammates to attain peak performance;
- Shall give careful consideration to the possibility of incurring injuries that would jeopardize the
 ability to compete in sailing events, prior to participating in potentially hazardous sports such as
 skiing, snowboarding, hang gliding, rock climbing, parachuting, base jumping, water skiing, wake
 boarding, etc;
- Shall respect the property of others whether personal or public;
- Shall exercise good judgment and conduct themself with honesty, integrity, and respect for team members, team coaches, staff members, other teams, supporters, spectators, and officials; shall refrain from biased or harassing behavior or verbal, physical or sexual abuse;
- Shall act in a way that will bring respect and honor to the Athlete, teammates, US Sailing, team supporters, the US Olympic Sailing Program, and the United States; and
- Shall remember at all times that s/he is an ambassador for the US Sailing, the USA, and the Olympic Movement.

The Athlete acknowledges that failure to comply with any of these terms may result in suspension or removal from the event, and/or forfeiture of the right to represent US Sailing and/or the USOPC at international events. US Sailing will follow all due process requirements of the US Sailing Regulations and Bylaws and the US Olympic Committee Bylaws, where applicable, before declaring an athlete ineligible to participate.

Athlete Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature if Athlete is under 18

Athlete Name (Print)

Parent/Guardian Name (Print)

Date