



Athlete Representation Review Working Group

Review Report

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<i>Session Information</i>	
Date of NGB Submission	20 October 2021
Date of Report	24 October 2021

Reviewed Competitions	
Competition	World Championships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Judo • Kata • Veterans (35+)
NGB Recommendation	Approve
NGB AAC Recommendation	Approve
Working Group Finding	Approve
<i>Finding Notes</i>	
<p>All of these categories and competitions are comprised of elite athletes, working at the highest levels of the sport. The athletes selected to the IF World Championships are selected via an NGB led selection process.</p> <p>The Veterans and Kata categories are not contested at the Olympic, Paralympic, Pan Am or Para Pan Am Games and thus have historically been limited in terms of Board representation. Both the NGB and the AAC agreed that these athletes are elite in their sport and their perspective will substantially be that of an elite athlete should they be elected or appointed to a governance role.</p>	
Competition	IJF Grand Slam, Grand Prix and Continental Events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Judo • Kata • Veterans (35+)
NGB Recommendation	Approve
NGB AAC Recommendation	Approve
Working Group Finding	Approve
<i>Finding Notes</i>	

As with the World Championship, this group of competitions involves elite level international competition on behalf of Team USA. Teams are selected to these events via a combination of NGB led selection criteria as well as IF based qualification points.	
Competition	USA Judo National Rosters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Judo • Kata • Veterans
NGB Recommendation	Approve
NGB AAC Recommendation	Approve
Working Group Finding	Approve
<i>Finding Notes</i>	
Selection to the National Roster is the result of a points system adjudicated and developed by the NGB. Selection to this Team USA roster is ample evidence of elite athlete status on the parts of those selected.	

Reviewed Committees	
Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board of Directors • Audit Committee • Ethics & Grievance • High Performance • Jr. High Performance • Kata • Nominating
NGB Recommendation	Designated
NGB AAC Recommendation	Designated
Working Group Finding	Designated
<i>Finding Notes</i>	
The panel agreed with the NGB that these committees are designated in keeping with the USOPC Bylaws.	
Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coaches Education • Medical • Rank and Certification • Referee Commission • Veterans
NGB Recommendation	Other
NGB AAC Recommendation	Other
Working Group Finding	Other
<i>Finding Notes</i>	
During the discussion with the working group, these committees were changed from the original submission of “designated” to “other” as they do not make decision which effect elite athletes or the core governance of USA Judo. The panel agrees these committees are “other” committees. Specifically of note, the Coaches Education and Rank and Certification Committees are not involved in team selection or team eligibility roles for athletes or for coaches and thus they were affirmed as being “Other” Committees in keeping with USOPC Bylaws.	