



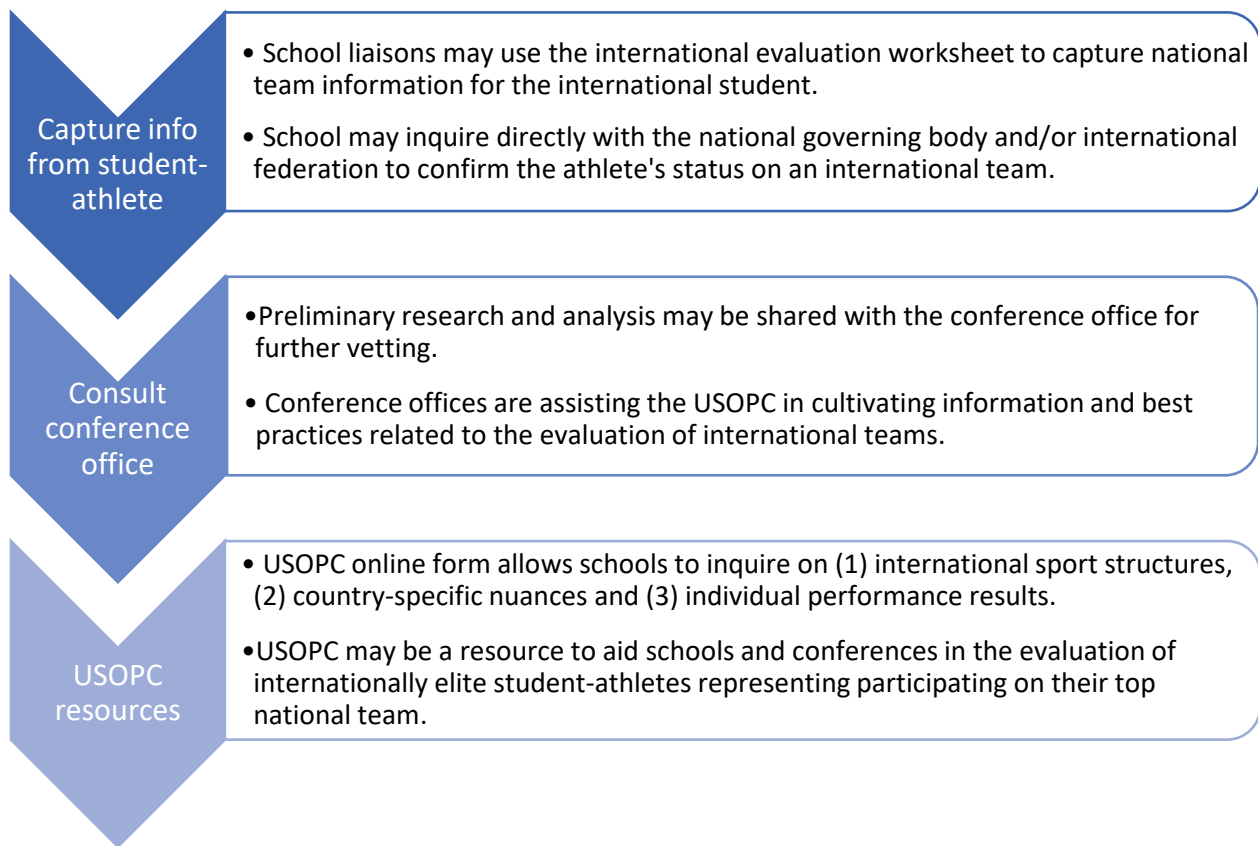
National team student-athlete – elite evaluation

International student-athlete evaluation process and tools

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PURPOSE: The United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee pathway project was created to support the elite student-athletes striving to represent both their school and their country at a prime development stage in their life. The pathway project resulted in the adoption of NCAA Proposal 2019-121 (training flexibility) and 2019-107 (resource access) for national team student-athletes identified as elite. The USOPC and national governing bodies are responsible for annual identification of Team USA elite student-athletes. International student-athletes are also eligible for the elite training and resource exceptions, provided the school is able to verify the elite national team status for the respective country.

EVALUATION PROCESS: Ultimately, the NCAA institutions are the authority in verifying the elite status of their international student-athletes and maintaining records that ensure compliance with the NCAA legislation. Knowing that these international sport spaces can be difficult to navigate, the USOPC provides a turnkey protocol, key information to collect, and additional resources to complement each school's analysis. Below is the three-step process in verifying an international student-athlete:



TOOLS: The USOPC has prepared an international evaluation worksheet in collaboration with the USOPC Legislative Task Force, National Association for Athletics Compliance and Collegiate Commissioners Association of Compliance Administrators. The sample worksheet is intended to help schools examine the eligibility of international student-athletes to utilize the NCAA elite legislation exceptions. Schools can also request international sport structures/results data through on-line USOPC request form: https://usoc.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/preview/SV_2nKKTnte0jpLyf3?Q_SurveyVersionID=current&Q_CHL=preview

Tool vetted by NCAA on October 15, 2020, Collegiate Commissioners Association Compliance Administrators (CCACA) on October 15, 2020, National Association for Athletics Compliance (NAAC) on September 14, 2020.



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International evaluation worksheet

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ATHLETE INFORMATION

Athlete name: _____ Country: _____

School: _____ Year: _____ College sport: _____

National team sport: _____ Date named to team/roster: _____

ROSTER STATUS

Is there published roster verification? Yes ___ No ___

How was the athlete added to roster? (e.g. tiered system, direct qualifier, world ranking) _____

Source: _____ Date of publication: _____

INTERNATIONAL RESULTS

Current world ranking: _____ Source: _____ Date: _____

Most recent world competition name: _____ Performance result: _____

Source of world competition result: _____ Date: _____

Was the athlete representing their country at event? Yes ___ No ___

Did the NGB cover expenses associated with this specific competition? Yes ___ No ___

Other world competition events/results/source/date:

<i>EVENT</i>	<i>RESULT</i>	<i>SOURCE</i>	<i>DATE</i>

NGB CONFIRMATION [Institutions are encouraged to inquire with the NGB to verify roster status.]

Has the NGB covered expenses associated with any competition and/or training? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, please provide additional details: _____

Does the athlete have a key contact with NGB that could verify their roster status? Yes ___ No ___

Contact name:/title _____ Email: _____

PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS

<u>SCHOOL:</u> 	<u>CONFERENCE:</u>
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