



Athlete Representation Review Working Group

Review Report

| NGB | US Bowling Congress |
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| <i>Session Information</i> | |
| Date of NGB Submission | 2 March 2021 |
| Date of Report | 30 March 2021 |

| Reviewed Competitions | |
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| Competition | World Bowling World Championships |
| NGB Recommendation | Approve |
| NGB AAC Recommendation | Approve |
| Working Group Finding | Approve |
| <i>Finding Notes</i> | |
| The NGB did not present this competition in the initial submission, but it became clear in the course of the review that the World Championship had been used to generate athlete eligibility historically and should continue to be used as such. The World Championship is the top elite event for the sport internationally and Team USA athletes are selected via an NGB led selection process. | |
| Competition | PABCON Championships |
| NGB Recommendation | Approve |
| NGB AAC Recommendation | Approve |
| Working Group Finding | Approve |
| <i>Finding Notes</i> | |
| This competition is the premiere continental competition for national teams. The event is operated by the Continental Federation as a Team USA event with Team USA competitors chosen via an NGB led selection process. This competition is long-established in the sport and eligibility can be generated for participation going back to 1977. | |
| Competition | USBC Team Trials (Top 3 Finishers) |
| NGB Recommendation | Approve |
| NGB AAC Recommendation | Approve |
| Working Group Finding | Approve |
| <i>Finding Notes</i> | |
| The USBC Team Trials are a competition format that serves as the selection event for major international competitions and is the direct qualifier for the IF's World Cup competition. Invitations to the camp are based on an NGB led selection process. Participants that finish in the top 3 of this selection event are eligible to serve as athlete representatives, as per the NGB request. | |

As this competition format has been in place for some time, the NGB requested and the panel agreed that eligibility via this competition can apply to athletes who participated as early as 1977. The panel clarified that the 1977 date would apply to both men and women.

Reviewed Committees

| Committee | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equipment Specifications and Certifications • Finance • Nominating • Legal • Hearing Panels • Audit • Legislation • National Selection • Executive Director and Evaluation |
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| NGB Recommendation | Designated |
| NGB AAC Recommendation | Designated |
| Working Group Finding | Designated |
| <i>Finding Notes</i> | |
| The Working Group agreed with the NGB that these committees are designated. | |
| Committee | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awards and Recognition • Diversity and Inclusion • Hall of Fame • Strategic Planning • SMART |
| NGB Recommendation | Other |
| NGB AAC Recommendation | Other |
| Working Group Finding | Other |
| <i>Finding Notes</i> | |
| The panel agreed with the NGB that these committees do not have budget, Bylaws, or selection oversight. The panel clarified that the Strategic Planning committee provides advice and recommendations in relation to organizational strategy but does not approve strategies or directions. | |