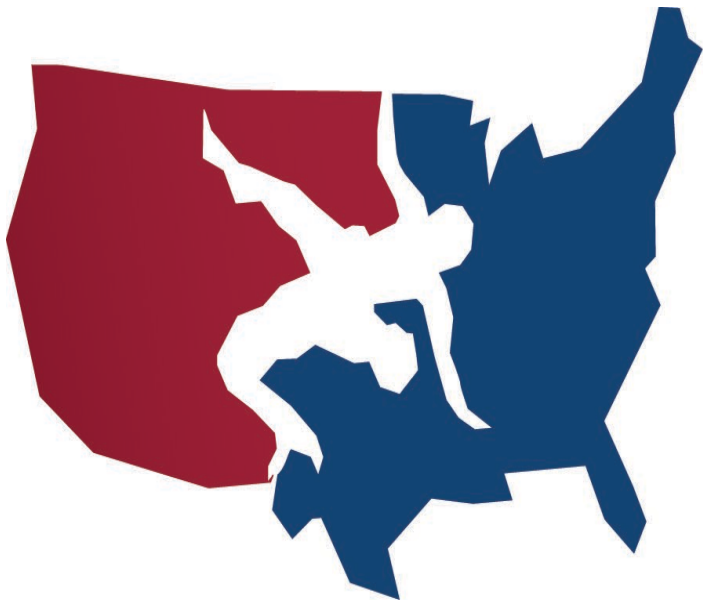


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**2024 UWW U23 MFS
World Team Selection Procedures**

**UWW U23 WORLD TEAM SELECTION
Information**

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2024 UWW U23 World Team Selection

Eligible athletes:

- Must be a citizen of the United States of America
- Born 2001-2006 (must turn 18 in the calendar year)

Tournament format:

- Two-day format with a best-of-three series in the finals
- No true third bouts will be wrestled
- Byes will be placed with seeded wrestlers first, in order of seed
- Weigh-ins will follow current UWW rules

World team selection: (Listed in rank order for selection)

1. The highest ranked, age eligible, athlete from 2024 Senior Men's Freestyle Olympic Weight National Team
 1. 2024 Olympic Trials winner, Olympic Trials runner-up and Olympic Trials 3rd place in rank order at the same weight category the athlete participated in the 2024 Olympic Trials.
 2. Deadline for this athlete to accept the position will be **Monday, June 17th, 2024 @ 5:00pm Mountain Time**
 1. Confirmation sent to Joe Russell via email jrussell@usawrestling.org
2. U23 National Champion
 1. If an athlete from criteria #1 accepts the World Team spot at an Olympic weight, an opportunity will be provided to represent USA on a foreign tour event (funding comparable to U23 World Team Member)
 2. Invite to summer national team camp (room, board and facility access funded)
3. Olympic Team Trials 4th place finisher at the same weight category the athlete participated in the 2024 Olympic Trials.
4. If no age eligible national team athlete accepts the opportunity to compete at U23 World Tournament or if U23 Champion declines, 2nd and 3rd place finisher at the U23 Nationals following rank order will be selected for the U23 World Championships
5. U23 Nationals 4th – 8th place finisher in rank order
6. National team coaches will make a recommendation to the Men's Freestyle Sport Committee for final approval

Event registration: All athletes wishing to compete at the **UWW U23 World Team Trials** MUST register online via www.usawmembership.com

For questions, please contact Pete Isais, USA Wrestling Director of National Events, at 719.598.8181 or email pisais@usawrestling.org.

Late registration: Athletes who fail to register online for the trials will be charged all applicable fees and a late fee payable at registration.

To further our chances of performing well at the world level, USA Wrestling will incorporate the U23 Worlds with a pre-worlds training camp. In addition, USA Wrestling is looking to provide an opportunity to compete internationally, as well as provide further training before the U23 World Championships. This may require that some of the funding come from the individuals themselves and/or their clubs or universities.

The camp schedule will be:

- Approximately two weeks of preparation, focusing on techniques and drills. The athletes will be expected to arrive in competition shape with their weight under control. Hard wrestling will not be required between wrestlers in the same weight category unless requested.
- Any required expenses on the athlete's part will be discussed and guidance will be given to help athletes get expense money together with dates established for receiving any funds needed.
- *Camps will NOT be required, but highly encouraged.*

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Freestyle will have camps prior to departure for the World Championships. Camps will be held at locations where the Senior National Team camps are held. Questions should be directed to Joe Russell.

There will be a team meeting following the finals of the World Team Trials event. Departure needs to be arranged after this meeting.

UWW U23 Freestyle Nationals

***Please check USAW events schedule for specific details.**

https://usawrestlingevents.com/national_regional

The UWW U23 World Championships is a partially funded tour. Athletes participating in the U23 Worlds will be required to pay a participation fee that will be determined closer to the team departure for the World Championships. There will be camp opportunities alongside the Senior National Team schedule, which will occur prior to the UWW U23 World Championships in Tirana, Albania from October 21st – 27th, 2024.

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For questions on specific style criteria concerning the UWW U23 World Team Trials, contact Cody Bickley, USA Wrestling National Teams High Performance Director, at (719) 598-8181 or cbickley@usawrestling.org