

# USA WATER SKI & WAKE SPORTS

## Water Ski

### PRELIMINARY NOTICE REGARDING ATHLETE SELECTION PROCEDURES

#### **2027 Pan American Games**

*Notice Date: February 3, 2025*

TO: American Water Ski Association (AWSA) Sport Discipline Athletes

**FROM: USA Water Ski & Wake Sports (USA-WSWS)**

RE: Preliminary Notice Regarding Athlete Selection Procedures for the Lima 2027 Pan American Games.

To provide as much information in a timely manner, USA-WSWS is providing this Preliminary Notice Regarding the Athlete Selection Procedures for the 2027 Pan American Games (Games). This document is being written as a complement, and not a substitute to the 2027 Pan American Games Athlete Selection Procedures. Additional communication will be released by USA-WSWS (NGB) once the Athlete Selection Procedures have been approved by the USOPC.

#### **A. Anticipated Athlete Eligibility Criteria:**

- Athletes must comply with all Pan Am Sports Organization (PASO) eligibility requirements which will be posted here once available: [https://www.panamsports.org/en/documents/?doc\\_category=games](https://www.panamsports.org/en/documents/?doc_category=games).
- Athletes must be a citizen of the United States and hold a valid U.S. passport that will not expire for six months after the conclusion of the Games.
- Athletes must be members in good standing of USA-WSWS, and must also hold a competition license from the International Waterski & Wakeboard Federation (IWWF), at the time of nomination and continuing through the Games.
- Athletes must complete all USA-WSWS Games Registration requirements by the deadline stated in the 2027 Pan American Games Athlete Selection Procedures (not yet released and published).
- Athletes must adhere to all NGB, USADA, USOPC, WADA, and

Panam Sports anti-doping protocols, policies, and procedures including participation in Out-of-Competition Testing, if applicable.

- Athletes must comply with the [USOPC Background Check Policy](#) and [USOPC Athlete Safety Policy](#).

## **B. PASO Qualification System Overview:**

- The 2027 Pan American Games Qualification Systems Manual for Water Ski has not been published by PASO so the maximum team size cannot be confirmed at this time. However, it is anticipated that the team will be made up of four (4) water ski athletes, in addition to athletes qualifying at the 2025 Junior Pan Am Games to compete in the Games.

## **C. Anticipated Evaluation Events:**

**It is intended that athletes being considered for nomination to the 2027 Pan American Games will be evaluated on their performance at any IWWF-sanctioned Class L (Ranking List Capable) or Class R (World Record capable) event held between June 1, 2026 and May 30, 2027 (inclusive). The majority of these events are open events, but certain tournaments are by invitation only (e.g., U.S. Masters, and Moomba Masters), and athletes should contact the organizers of any invitation only events for more information about entry requirements.**

Once the 2027 Pan American Games Athlete Selection Procedures have been adopted, they will be announced and published on the USA-WSWS website.

## **D. Disclaimer:**

**This preliminary notice is based on the PASO rules and regulations as presently known and understood for the 2027 Pan American Games. The information in this notice is provided to assist athletes with their training and competition planning and is subject to change upon approval of the NGB Athlete Selection Procedures for the 2027 Pan American Games. Once complete, the approved Athlete Selection Procedures will be posted on the USA-WSWS website (under Athlete Resources).**

For questions about the 2027 Pan American Games selection process, please contact the Chair of AWSA's International Activities Committee.

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