



SELECTION PROCEDURES

World Aquatics Diving World Cup Series Super Final

Beijing, China | May 1-3, 2026

Amended 2/26/2026

Amendment includes updated selection criteria for the mixed team event following the cancellation of Stop Two of the World Cup Series.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Nature of the Selection Procedures

The following procedures will be used to select the team that will represent USA Diving at the 2026 World Aquatics Diving World Cup Series – Super Final

Team Size & Entry Limits

The maximum number of divers USA Diving may enter in each event at the 2026 World Aquatics Diving World Cup Series – Super Final is determined by World Aquatics regulations:

Event	Women	Men
3M Springboard	2	2
10M Platform	2	2
Synchronized 3M	1 team	1 team
Synchronized 10M	1 team	1 team

USA Diving reserves the right to select fewer than the maximum number of athletes allowed under the following circumstances:

- Some divers may compete in multiple events, reducing the need for additional entries.
- Qualified athletes may not be available to attend.
- USA Diving may not qualify the maximum number of athletes.
- USA Diving may elect not to enter certain events if it is determined that sending a team is not in the best interest of competitive success or due to resource constraints.

2. ELIGIBILITY FOR SELECTION

2.1 General Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for selection to the 2026 World Aquatics Diving World Cup Series- Super Final Teams, an athlete must:

- A) Be a citizen of the United States.
- B) Be eligible to represent the United States per World Aquatics sport nationality regulations
- C) Be at least 14 years old by December 31, 2026 (divers younger than 14 are not permitted to compete).
- D) Be a member in good standing of USA Diving.
- E) Possess a valid passport that remains valid for at least six (6) months beyond the final date of international travel associated with Super Final.

2.2 Selection Events – Individual Events

To be eligible for selection to the 2026 World Aquatics Diving World Cup – Super Final in individual events, divers must participate in both Stop One and Stop Two on the 2026 World Aquatics Diving World Cup Series.

- World Aquatics will invite the top 12 divers by name (with a maximum of two per federation) based on combined Stop 1 and Stop 2 to participate in the Super Final.

2.3 Selection Events – Synchronized Events

The top eight teams by nation (with a maximum of one per federation) based on combined Stop 1 and Stop 2 results will be invited to the Super Final.

- A) USA Diving will select synchronized teams for the Super Final in the following manner
 - 1) If the same synchronized team represented the United States in both Stop One and Stop Two, that team will be selected
 - a) If only one diver is available, USA Diving will attempt to identify a suitable partner for the available diver based on one or more of the following:
 - prior competition history together
 - evaluations from Synchro Assessment Camps
 - another diver already confirmed on the Super Final team
 - b) If neither diver is available, the High Performance Director in consultation with the Committee for Competitive Excellence shall determine the team.
 - 2) If different teams represented the United States in Stop One and Stop Two, the team with the highest place finish will be selected to compete in the Super Final.
 - a) If there is a tie for place finish, the team with the highest score will be selected. If a tie still exists,
 - b) The team with the highest score on optionals will be selected. If a tie still exists,
 - c) The team with the highest scoring single optional will be selected. If a tie still exists,

- d) The team with the highest scoring single voluntary will be selected.
- e) If a tie still exists, the High Performance Director in consultation with the Committee for Competitive Excellence shall determine the team.
- f) Both divers must accept the invitation. If only one diver is available, the other team will be invited. If that team is not available, USA Diving will attempt to identify a suitable partner for the available diver from the first-invited team based on one or more of the following:
 - prior competition history together
 - evaluations from Synchro Assessment Camps
 - another diver already confirmed on the Super Final team
- g) If a suitable partner cannot be found and one diver from the second-invited team is available, USA Diving will attempt to identify a partner for that athlete using the same criteria.
- h) If no suitable synchronized team or pairing can be confirmed after applying Section 2.3 the entry will then be decided by the High Performance Director in consultation with the CCE with final approval of the CEO and AAC Rep. The event may remain unfilled if it is determined to not be in the best interest of Team USA.

2.4 MIXED 3M & 10M TEAM EVENT

Amended - Should the United States qualify for the Super Final in the Mixed 3M & 10M Team event, the divers who competed in the team event at the World Cup Series Stop One will be selected to compete in the Super Final. If not all divers are available for the Super Final, the High Performance Director in consultation with the World Cup Super Final coaching staff will determine whether a replacement athlete is needed or if the available team event divers can fulfill the requirements of the team event. Should a need for an additional athlete be identified, a replacement for the unavailable diver(s) will be selected from divers already selected to the Super Final in other events. If no suitable replacement can be identified from among Super Final team members, another diver who meets the need in the team event may be considered or the event may remain unfilled.

3. COACH MEMBER SELECTION PROCEDURES

3.1 Coach Member Eligibility & Selection

- A coach member may be considered for selection as a Diving World Cup Series Super Final team coach only if a diver declares their "Coach of Record" prior to the 2025 USA Diving Winter Nationals or their coach of record at the time of the selection event.

3.2 Coach Member Selection Process

1. The coach member with the most Olympic event spots will be named Head Coach.

Olympic individual and synchro events will count as one spot per diver. (NOTE: Synchronized events are worth 2 points in total if one coach member has both athletes. If the two divers have different coaches, the points will be split with each coach member receiving one point apiece.)

2. Tie-Breakers (Applied in Order):

- Coach member with the most individual event athletes.
- Coach member with the highest-ranked athletes (1st invited = 2 points, 2nd invited = 1 point).
- Coach member with the most 1st-invited athletes.
- Coach member with the most 2nd-invited athletes.
- If a tie remains after applying all tie-breaking steps, the process will be restarted from Step 1 using only the remaining tied coaches.
- Final Decision: If a tie still exists after reapplying all steps, the High Performance Director, in consultation with the CCE, will make the final selection with approval from the President and AAC Representative.

3. Team staff members shall be selected by the HPD in consultation with the CCE with final approval from the President and the AAC Representative.