



**INTERNAL NOMINATING PROCEDURES:
2018 YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES**

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1 – INTRODUCTION

This document outlines the procedures to be used by Wrestling Canada Lutte (WCL) for determining the athletes, coaches and staff that will be nominated to represent Canada at the 2018 Youth Olympic Games (YOG) in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

2 – DECISION MAKING AUTHORITY

The High Performance Director (HPD) is responsible for the development and implementation of a selection process that is fair and equitable for all candidates. All team nominations will be reviewed by the High Performance Advisory Committee (HPAC), with final team selection being at the discretion of the HPD. Where possible, the HPD will make all efforts to seek consultation from the International Coach, NextGen coaches, and personal coaches. The High Performance Manager (HPM) will assist the HPD in ensuring that the process outlined in this document is properly followed.

3 – QUOTA SPOTS

The following weight classes will be contested at the 2018 Youth Olympic Games:

- Men's Freestyle (FS): 48 kg, 55 kg, 65 kg, 80 kg, 110kg
- Women (WW): 43 kg, 49 kg, 57 kg, 65 kg, 73kg
- *Men's Greco-Roman (GR): 45 kg, 51 kg, 60 kg, 71 kg, 92 kg

WCL has been given a conditional quota of six (6) athletes by the Canadian Olympic Committee (COC), subject to earning the quotas via the United World Wrestling (UWW) Qualification System. WCL can qualify a maximum of two (2) athletes per style and only one (1) per weight category. Please see Appendix A for UWW Qualification System.

These Internal Nominating Procedures shall apply if additional quota spots become available.

*NOTE: WCL is not sanctioning participation in Greco-Roman Wrestling.

4 – ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

In order to be considered by WCL for nomination to the COC for team selection, all athletes must meet the following requirements at the time of qualification and nomination, and maintain these requirements through the completion of the 2018 Youth Olympic Games:

- Be a Canadian citizen (this refers to Rule 41 of the Olympic Charter).
- Have a valid Canadian passport that does not expire on or before April 19, 2019.
- Be in compliance with all relevant UWW, COC, IOC, and WCL requirements for eligibility.
- Be a member in good standing of Wrestling Canada Lutte.

Along with fulfilling the eligibility requirements of WCL, athletes once nominated to the COC, must also fulfil the requirements of the COC, United World Wrestling and the IOC in order to be eligible for team selection.

5 – FUNDING

All athletes and the allocated support team will be 100% COC-funded for Games.

6 – PROVISIONAL TIMELINE SUMMARY

May 25-27, 2018	2018 Cadet Pan American Championships
May 31, 2018	Athletes and staff to be notified by WCL of their nomination to COC
June 6, 2018	Acceptance of Nomination by athlete and coaches
June 8, 2018	YOG Wrestling Team training, competitive, and administrative obligations
August 28, 2018	Nomination by WCL of athletes and coaches to the COC
	Submit signed COC Athlete Agreement and Organising Committee (OCOG) Conditions of Participation Form

***NOTE: All dates and locations are subject to change.*

7 – QUALIFICATION PROCEDURES

Please refer to Appendix A for the international qualification system as determined by UWW.

The 2018 Youth Olympic Games Team will be qualified in three stages:

Stage 1:	2018 Cadet Team Trials
Stage 2:	2018 Cadet Pan American Championships (International Qualification System)
Stage 3:	YOG team training, competition, and administration obligations

8 – STAGE 1: 2018 CADET TEAM TRIALS

The winner of the 2018 Cadet Team Trials will be nominated to represent Canada at the 2018 Cadet Pan American Championships.

9 – STAGE 2: 2018 CADET PAN AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

At the 2018 Cadet Pan Am Championships, Men's Freestyle (FS) winners will automatically be qualified to represent Canada at the 2018 Youth Olympic Games, however, if there are more than two (2) qualified athletes in FS, the HPD, in consultation with the International Coach, NextGen coaches, and athlete's personal coaches, will make a recommendation for team nomination based on previous performance to the HPAC for review.

For Women's Freestyle (WW), qualification can occur via a first and second place finish at the 2018 Cadet Pan Am Championships. Therefore any Canadian women's freestyle winner or second place finisher will automatically be qualified to represent Canada at the 2018 Youth Olympics, however, if there are more than two (2) qualified athletes, the HPD, in consultation with the International Coach, NextGen coaches, and athlete's personal coaches, will make a recommendation for team nomination based on previous performance to the HPAC for review.

Previous performance will be assessed using, but not limited to, the following past performances:

- 2018 Cadet Pan American Championship Results and depth of field;
- 2018 Cadet Canadian Championships
- 2017 Cadet World Championships
- 2017 Cadet Pan American Championships

Where an athlete declines their nomination, or are removed from the team, an alternate may be named where the High Performance Director, in consultation with the International Coach, NextGen coaches, and athlete's personal coaches, will make a recommendation for team nomination based on previous performance to the High Performance Advisory Committee for review.

10 – STAGE 3: INDIVIDUAL PROGRAMS FOR NOMINATED TEAM MEMBERS

Nominated team members and alternates will be required to demonstrate a commitment to an approved training and competition program, leading into and throughout the 2018 Youth Olympic Games. These requirements will be based upon the athletes' individual needs.

Both athletes and personal coaches must be in constant communication with the HPD and WCL staff in order to collaborate on best practices and ensure the optimal preparation and execution of the athletes training and competition program. Submission of a training program will be required 1 week post selection and will be monitored by the HPD and the HPM.

11 – CONFIRMATION OF NOMINATION

If nominated, the athlete will be required to confirm their participation in the 2018 Youth Olympic Games within 1 week after notification. If the highest ranked athlete chooses not to compete or is ineligible for participation in the 2018 Youth Olympic Games, WCL will determine if it will proceed to nominating the next best ranked athlete in that weight category pending previous performance.

12 – PERFORMANCE READINESS AND INJURIES

Athletes may be added or removed from the team roster depending on technical changes imposed by UWW, performance based criteria, the athletes' yearly training and competition plan, injury, as well as the athletes' compliance and fulfilment of the requirements outlined in the signed Athlete Agreement.

Prior to Team Nomination to the COC, the HPD will have the final authority over dismissal of any athlete from the Team. Following nomination, any such removals are subject to the approval of the COC Team Selection Committee.

13 – STAFF SELECTION

The staff will be selected on the principle of sending a team of specialists that are best capable of assisting and supporting the athletes in achieving a podium performance at the Games as well as contributing to a winning team culture.

Staff selections will be based on final confirmation of COC quota allocations, as determined by the HPD and reviewed by the HPAC.

All coaches must also:

- Be a member in good standing with WCL
- Be a member in good standing with Coaches of Canada
- NCCP Certification level 3 (or equivalent), or higher
- Comply with all COC requirements

14 – NOMINATIONS TO THE COC

Final athlete and staff nominations to the COC will be made no later than August 28, 2018.

Following nomination to the COC, any athlete removals are subject to the approval of the COC Team Selection Committee. Should a nominated athlete, at any time between the sport entry deadline and the sport technical meeting for the 2018 Youth Olympic Games, decline his or her nomination or be declared unable to participate in a competitive manner, that athlete shall be replaced, subject to the IOC Late Athlete Replacement Policy.

15 – APPEALS PROCEDURE

WCL nominations to the COC for the 2018 Youth Olympic Games may be appealed in accordance with the procedures set out in the WCL Appeal Policy.

16 – MODIFICATION OF THIS DOCUMENT

In the event of circumstances beyond the control of WCL, including but not limited to changes made by United World Wrestling, COC, IOC or WCL, that prevents the fair implementation of these internal nomination procedures as written, WCL reserves the right to determine an appropriate course of action, which may include the right to review and change any part of the international nomination procedures.



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UNITED WORLD WRESTLING

Wrestling

A. EVENTS (15)

Men's Events (10)		Women's Events (5)
Freestyle (FS):	Greco-Roman (GR):	Freestyle:
46kg	42kg	40kg
54kg	50kg	46kg
63kg	58kg	52kg
76kg	69kg	60kg
100kg	85kg	70kg

B. ATHLETES QUOTA

1. Total Quota for Wrestling:

	Qualification Places	Host Country Places	Universality Places	Total
Men GR	25	1	4	30
Men FS	25	1	4	30
Women	45	1	4	50
Total	95	3	12	110

2. Maximum Number of Athletes per NOC:

	Quota per NOC
Men (Freestyle)	2
Men (Greco-Roman)	2
Women (Freestyle)	2
Total	6

An NOC can qualify a maximum of two (2) athletes per style but one (1) per weight category

3. Type of Allocation of Quota Places:

The quota place is allocated to the NOC.

C. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

All athletes must comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force, including but not limited to, Rule 41 (Nationality of Competitors). Only those athletes who have complied with the Olympic Charter may participate in the Youth Olympic Games.



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Age

To be eligible to participate in the Youth Olympic Games, athletes must have been born between 1 January 2001 and 31 December 2003.

Additional IF requirements

Athletes must also be affiliated to a National Federation which is a member of United World Wrestling and must possess a 2018 UWW license.

D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

QUALIFICATION PLACES

MEN & WOMEN

Number of Quota Places	Qualification Event																								
D.1. 50 men 45 women	<p>D.1. UWW Continental Cadet Championships 2018</p> <p>UWW will organise UWW Continental Cadet Championships within each continent between January and June 2018. These Continental Cadet Championships will serve as qualification tournaments for the 2018 Youth Olympic Games in the respective weight categories.</p> <p>For each wrestling discipline, the places obtained for the 2018 Youth Olympic Games will be awarded to the NOCs of the highest ranked athletes at each of the qualification tournaments, in accordance with the following quotas:</p> <p>Places per continent:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Continent</th> <th>Freestyle Men</th> <th>Greco-Roman Men</th> <th>Freestyle Women</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Europe</td> <td>1 per weight category</td> <td>1 per weight category</td> <td>3 per weight category</td> </tr> <tr> <td>America</td> <td>1 per weight category</td> <td>1 per weight category</td> <td>2 per weight category</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Asia</td> <td>1 per weight category</td> <td>1 per weight category</td> <td>2 per weight category</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Africa</td> <td>1 per weight category</td> <td>1 per weight category</td> <td>1 per weight category</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Oceania</td> <td>1 per weight category</td> <td>1 per weight category</td> <td>1 per weight category</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>If an NOC has more athletes qualified than the maximum NOC quota (2 men in Freestyle, 2 men in Greco-Roman and 2 women in Freestyle), the NOC must confirm to UWW, following each qualifying event, the categories in which they intend to enter an athlete. The unused qualification place(s) will be allocated to the next best-ranked athlete(s) in the respective weight category, from an NOC, which has not yet reached its maximum quota.</p> <p>In order to know exactly who are the next-best ranked athletes in each weight category, a bout against the two bronze medallists and a bout against the two fifth places will be organised at each qualification tournament in order to determine the final ranking.</p>	Continent	Freestyle Men	Greco-Roman Men	Freestyle Women	Europe	1 per weight category	1 per weight category	3 per weight category	America	1 per weight category	1 per weight category	2 per weight category	Asia	1 per weight category	1 per weight category	2 per weight category	Africa	1 per weight category	1 per weight category	1 per weight category	Oceania	1 per weight category	1 per weight category	1 per weight category
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HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The host country will automatically qualify two (2) male athletes and one (1) female athlete, one in each discipline, on the condition that the host country participates in the Cadet Pan-American Championships with at least three (3) wrestlers (one per discipline).

In case there is more than one (1) wrestler per discipline at the Cadet Continental Championships, the best-ranked athlete in each discipline will qualify in their weight categories at the Youth Olympic Games 2018.

In case two (2) or more athletes are ranked the same, then the NOC must confirm to UWW, following the Cadet Pan-American Championships, the categories in which they intend to enter an athlete.

All athletes must meet the eligibility requirements described under point C of this document.

UNIVERSALITY PLACES

Eight (8) male and four (4) female Universality Places will be made available to eligible NOCs at the YOG, subject to the athletes meeting the eligibility criteria under section C.

The International Olympic Committee will invite all eligible NOCs to submit their requests for Universality Places by 15 January 2017. The Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of invitation places to the relevant NOCs, in collaboration with UWW, as of 13 March 2017. The NOCs will have until 31 March 2017 to confirm the use of their places to the Tripartite Commission.

In order to ensure the ideal number of six (6) athletes per weight category for the men's Wrestling events and 10 athletes per weight category for the women's Wrestling events, the weight category allocated to the Universality Places will be finalised after the decision of the places dedicated to the host country.

Participants in the United World Wrestling "More than Medals" talent ID programme will be prioritised.

E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

CONFIRMATION OF QUALIFICATION PLACES

UWW shall publish the list of NOCs' qualification places immediately after each Cadet Continental Championship on their website at <https://unitedworldwrestling.org>

Following the completion of all Cadet Continental Championships, UWW will confirm NOCs' qualification place(s) from all Cadet Continental Championships.

The NOCs will then have two (2) weeks to confirm in writing to the UWW and BAYOGOC if they wish to use these quota places respecting the maximum quota of two (2) man in Freestyle, two (2) man in Greco-Roman and two (2) woman in Freestyle as detailed in paragraph G. Qualification Timeline.

CONFIRMATION OF HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The host country must confirm in writing to UWW and BAYOGOC within two (2) weeks after the Cadet Pan-American Championships the use of its Host Country Places.



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F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION PLACES

If a quota place allocated is not confirmed by the NOC by the confirmation of quota place deadline or is declined by the NOC, the quota place will be reallocated to the next-best ranked athlete in the same weight category at the respective Cadet Continental Championships, from an NOC, which has not yet reached its maximum quota.

If no more athlete participated in the concerned weight category, the place will be allocated to an NOC applying for a Universality Place in the respective weight category.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

Any unused Host Country Places (returned or achieved through the Pan American Continental Championships event) will be reallocated to the Universality Places.

In case the host country, qualifies through D.1 the Host Country Place would be reallocated to the Universality Places.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED UNIVERSALITY PLACES

Any unused places, including those returned after the final allocation by the YOG Tripartite Commission, will be reallocated to NOCs of the next best-ranked athletes, not yet qualified or has not reached the maximum quota per NOC, and according to the following order of priority:

Men

- Europe
- Asia
- Pan America
- Oceania
- Africa

Women

- Africa
- Oceania
- Asia
- Pan America
- Europe



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G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Period	Date	Milestone
Universality Places	31 March 2017	Validation of final allocation of Universality Places by the YOG Tripartite Commission
Qualification	1 April 2017 – 31 July 2018	YOG 2018 qualification period
	<date>*	Cadet Oceania Championships, City ()
	<date>*	Cadet Pan-American Championships, City ()
	<date>*	Cadet European Championships, City ()
	<date>*	Cadet Asian Championships, City ()
<date>*	Cadet African Championships, City ()	
Accreditation Deadline	<date>*	Buenos Aires 2018 Accreditation Deadline (All potential athletes must be registered in the system)
Inform and Confirm	By <date>*	UWW to confirm to the NOCs the quota places earned through D.1
	<date>*	Deadline for NOCs to confirm in writing to UWW the use of places obtained during the qualification phases Host Country to confirm the participation of athletes
Reallocation	<date>*	UWW to reallocate all unused quota places and NOCs to confirm
	30 August 2016	End of reallocation period
Sport Entries Deadline	31 August 2018	Entries deadline by name for all sports
Finalisation of DRP Deadline	<date>*	Finalisation of DRP Deadline
YOG	6 – 18 October 2018	3 rd Summer Youth Olympic Games – Buenos Aires 2018

*To be defined