



INTERNAL NOMINATING PROCEDURES:

2020 OLYMPIC GAMES

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1 – INTRODUCTION

This document outlines the process and procedures to be used by Wrestling Canada Lutte (WCL) for selecting the athletes, coaches, and staff that will be nominated to the COC to represent Canada at the 2020 Olympic Games in Tokyo, Japan. The winner of the Canadian Team Trials will be nominated to the team, pending any wrestle-offs.

For questions or clarifications on the contents of this document, please contact the High Performance Director: loceallachain@wrestling.ca.

2 – DECISION MAKING AUTHORITY

Document Development

The process outlined in this document was drafted and prepared by the High Performance Director and International Coach. Oversight was provided by the High Performance Advisory Committee (HPAC – comprised of coaches and athletes). Final approval of the policy was made by the WCL Board. The document was also discussed and shared with the Canadian Olympic Committee (COC) and reviewed by their external legal counsel.

The High Performance Director (HPD), or their designate, is responsible for the development and implementation of a selection process that is fair and equitable for all candidates.

During the actual competition period onsite at the 2020 Olympic Games, all final decision-making authority will reside with the High Performance Director, or their designate.

3 – PERTINENT DOCUMENTS

The following documents are relevant and may be applied during the Olympic selection process and/or after athletes are selected to the Olympic Team. WCL documents can be found in the WCL website under [Resources](#):

- [2019-2020 WCL Wrestle-Off Procedures](#);
- WCL Athlete Agreement;
- COC Athlete Agreement (once published – 6 months prior);
- Tokyo 2020 Conditions of Participation;
- Olympic Charter;
- [WCL Code of Conduct](#);
- [National Team YTP](#);
- [WCL Discipline Policy](#);
- [WCL Appeal Policy](#).

4 – QUOTA SPOTS

The 2020 Olympic Games will be run using the six (6) Olympic weight classes in all three styles:

- Women’s Freestyle: 50kg, 53kg, 57kg, 62kg, 68kg, and 76kg
- Men’s Freestyle: 57kg, 65kg, 74kg, 86kg, 97kg, and 125kg
- Men’s Greco-Roman: 60kg, 67kg, 77kg, 87kg, 97kg, and 130kg

Quota per National Olympic Committee (NOC) per event:

Men:	1 in each style and weight class
Women:	1 in each weight class
Total:	Maximum of 18 per NOC

5 – 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 nomination and maintain these requirements through the completion of the 2020 Olympic Games:

- Be a Canadian citizen as per Rule 41 of the Olympic Charter;
- Hold a valid Canadian passport that does not expire on or before February 9, 2021;
- Be in compliance with all relevant United World Wrestling (UWW) and IOC requirements for eligibility;
- Sign, submit and comply with the COC Athlete Agreement and Tokyo 2020 Conditions of Participation Form no later than June 15, 2020;
- Sign and submit the WCL Athlete Agreement Form no later than June 15, 2020;
- Remain a member in good standing of WCL, which includes respecting the following conditions:
 - Must not be under suspension, or other sanction, for any doping or doping-related offense;
 - Must not be under suspension, or any sanction for any WCL Code of Conduct or Discipline Policy offense or any other relevant WCL policy;
 - Must sign and comply with the Athlete Agreement as required by WCL and/or Sport Canada;
 - Must not have any outstanding invoices with WCL;
- Alternate Athletes selected must also comply with all of the obligations and requirements indicated in this document and must ensure that all administrative and financial obligations are fulfilled within 24 hours of notification of their pending team nomination;
- Athletes named to compete in the 2020 Olympic Games will be required to comply with the dress code regulations of the WCL Team and the COC.

6 – FUNDING

Pending final OTP and Sport Canada funding, it is WCL’s intention to fund the qualification costs of twelve (12) athletes for the international qualification events, six (6) in Men’s Freestyle and six (6) in Women’s Freestyle. In addition, WCL will authorize, at its sole discretion, up to six (6) athletes in Men’s Greco-Roman to self-fund their participation to the international qualification events.

All qualified athletes, accredited coaches and staff that fall within COC's allotted quota and who have been nominated to the 2020 Olympic Games Team will be fully funded by the COC and WCL for participation and attendance at the 2020 Olympic Games.

7 – QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

In the event of a discrepancy between this document and the International Quota Qualification System, the International Quota Qualification System version will prevail. In the event of changes by the IOC, COC, or UWW to the selection and eligibility criteria for participation in the 2020 Olympic Games, WCL is bound to comply with these changes, which may affect potential selection candidates, and will inform the WCL membership as soon as possible.

INTERNATIONAL QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

Please refer to Appendix A (attached) for the international quota qualification system as determined by United World Wrestling and the organising committee of the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games.

Quota spots in the relevant weight class and discipline can be earned at the following international events:

- 2019 Senior World Championships – Achieving a Top 6 result
- 2020 Continental Qualifier – Achieving a Top 2 result
- 2020 World Qualification Event – Achieving a Top 2 result

QUALIFICATION PERIOD

The qualification period will begin with the 2019 Senior Canadian Championships (March 22-24, 2019) up to the end of the 2020 World Qualification Tournament.

OLYMPIC TEAM NOMINATION PROCESS

Nomination Pathway 1

2019 Senior Canadian Championships	2019 Senior World Championships	2019 Canadian Wrestling Team Trials	2020 Olympic Team
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number 1 ranked athlete nominated to 2019 Senior World Team <i>NOTE: An athlete must participate in the 2019 Senior Pan American Championships to be able to attend the 2019 Senior World Championships.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Top 6 result qualifies a quota spot for the 2020 Olympic Games 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number 1 ranked athlete (following all relevant wrestle-offs) wins the 2019 Canadian Team Trials 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where a quota spot is earned from 2019 Senior World Championships, the Number 1 ranked athlete from the 2019 Canadian Team Trials (following all relevant wrestle-offs) in that discipline and weight class, will be nominated to the 2020 Olympic Team

Nomination Pathway 2

2019 Canadian Wrestling Team Trials	2020 Continental Qualification Tournament	2020 Olympic Team
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number 1 ranked athlete from Canadian Team Trials (following all relevant wrestle-offs) will be nominated, where necessary (weight class not already qualified) to the 2020 Continental Qualification Team and 2020 World Qualification Tournament 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Top 2 result qualifies a quota spot for the 2020 Olympic Games 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where a quota spot is earned from the 2020 Continental Qualification Tournament, the Number 1 ranked athlete from the 2019 Canadian Team Trials (following all relevant wrestle-offs) in that discipline and weight class, will be nominated to the 2020 Olympic Team

Nomination Pathway 3

2019 Canadian Wrestling Team Trials	2020 World Qualification Tournament	2020 Olympic Team
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Number 1 ranked athlete from Canadian Team Trials (following all relevant wrestle-offs) will be nominated, where necessary (weight class not already qualified) to the 2020 Continental Qualification Team and 2020 World Qualification Tournament	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Top 2 result qualifies a quota spot for the 2020 Olympic Games	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Where a quota spot is earned from the 2020 World Qualification Tournament, the Number 1 ranked athlete from the 2019 Canadian Team Trials (following all relevant wrestle-offs) in that discipline and weight class, will be nominated to the 2020 Olympic Team

2019 SENIOR CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Top ranked athletes in each style and relevant weight class from the 2019 Senior Canadian Championships, following all wrestle-offs, will be nominated to the 2019 Senior Pan American Championship Team and 2019 Senior World Championship Team.

Ranking from the 2019 Senior Canadian Championships and any applicable wrestle-offs and ranking events will determine seeding for the 2019 Canadian Wrestling Team Trials.

2019 SENIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Athletes who attend the 2019 Senior World Championships and finish Top 6 in an Olympic weight class, will earn a quota spot for Canada. An athlete who qualifies a quota spot for Canada is not guaranteed selection to the 2020 Olympic Team. They must still satisfy the relevant selection criteria detailed herein.

The athlete who has qualified the weight class quota for Canada for the 2020 Olympic Games, will be automatically qualified for the Finals of the 2019 Canadian Team Trials in that weight class. The Trials will follow format A as laid out in 2019 Canadian Wrestling Team Trials.

Where there is no athlete that places Top 6 in an Olympic weight class at the 2019 Senior World Championships, the 2019 Canadian Team Trials in that weight class will follow format B as laid out in 2019 Canadian Wrestling Team Trials.

2019 CANADIAN WRESTLING TEAM TRIALS

The 2019 Canadian Wrestling Team Trials will be run using the six Olympic weight classes in both genders:

- Women's Freestyle: 50kg, 53kg, 57kg, 62kg, 68kg, and 76kg
- Men's Freestyle: 57kg, 65kg, 74kg, 86kg, 97kg, and 125kg
- Men's Greco-Roman: 60kg, 67kg, 77kg, 87kg, 97kg, and 130kg

The 2019 Canadian Wrestling Team Trials will be conducted according to the most recent edition of the United World Wrestling rulebook with the exception of the competition format outlined below.

WCL Senior Seeding criteria will apply as per Appendix B, with the exception of any athlete that has automatically qualified for the Finals of the Team Trials, as per Format A.

FORMAT A – ATHLETE WITH A TOP 6 IN AN OLYMPIC WEIGHT RESULT FROM 2019 SENIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS (MEN'S FREESTYLE & WOMEN)

Day 1

- Weigh-ins – all athletes (scratch weight)
- WCL Senior Seeding Criteria will apply
- Session 1:
 - 8-person or more – UWW bracket to completion - winner of bracket moves to finals with Top 6 finisher from 2019 Senior Worlds, loser assumes 3rd place Trials ranking
 - 7-person or less – UWW Nordic system to completion - winner moves to finals with Top 6 finisher from 2019 Senior Worlds, loser assumes 3rd place Trials ranking

Day 2

- Weigh-ins – all athletes (scratch weight)
- Session 3:
 - Finals – best two of three match format between athlete automatically qualified from a top 6 result from the 2019 Senior World Championships and winner of mini-final (winner assumes 1st place Trials ranking / loser of the final assumes 2nd place Trials ranking)

FORMAT B - NO TOP 6 RESULT IN AN OLYMPIC WEIGHT FROM 2019 SENIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS (MEN'S FREESTYLE & WOMEN)

Day 1

- Weigh-ins – all athletes (scratch weight)
- WCL Senior Seeding Criteria will apply
- Session 1:
 - 8-person or more – UWW bracket up to and including semi-finals
 - 7-person or less – UWW Nordic system up to and including semi-finals (cross-over matches)

Day 2

- Weigh-ins – all athletes (scratch weight)
- Session 2:
 - 8-person or more - Repechage to determine 3rd place Trials ranking
 - 7-person or less - 3rd / 4th place match to determine 3rd place Trials ranking
- Session 3:
 - Finals – best two of three match format between winners of semi-finals (winner assumes 1st place Trials ranking / loser of the final assumes 2nd place Trials ranking)

Provisional Schedule

Thursday, December 5, 2019	Medicals / Weigh-Ins – Men’s Greco-Roman Session 1 – up to and including semi-finals Session 2 – Repechage and mini-finals (if necessary) Session 3 (afternoon) – Finals (best two of three matches)
Friday, December 6, 2019	Medicals / Weigh-Ins – Men’s Freestyle & Women Session 1 (all day) – up to and including semi-finals
Saturday, December 7, 2019	Medicals / Weigh-Ins – Men’s Freestyle & Women Session 2 (morning) – Repechage and mini-finals (if necessary) Session 3 (afternoon) – Finals (best two of three matches)

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

The winner of the 2019 Canadian Wrestling Team Trials, pending injury provision and wrestle-offs, and where a quota spot has not already been earned, will be nominated to represent Canada at the remaining international qualification events.

PERFORMANCE READINESS AND INJURY

Nominated team members and alternates will be required to demonstrate a commitment to the HPD (or designate) approved training and competition program, leading into and throughout the 2020 Olympic Games, as defined by the National Team YTP and any additionally communicated events by the High Performance Director. National Team training camps and scheduled competitions are a necessary part of an athlete’s Olympic preparation program and are, therefore, mandatory. All nominated athletes will have their injury / health status assessed by the approved Integrated Support Team (IST) after nomination and during lead up to the Games, to ensure a proper approach to their health management.

In addition to programs identified, the personal coach, International Coach and High Performance Director will identify specific competitive and training program requirements for each Olympic Team member. These requirements will be based upon each athletes’ individual needs. The athlete is expected to undergo regular monitoring against the WCL Gold Medal Profile (GMP) and programming will be based on the

identified gaps. All nominated athletes shall have their injury/health status assessed by WCL medical staff at each GMP camp and WCL event as directed.

Both athletes and personal coaches must communicate with the High Performance Director, International Coach and National IST leads in order to collaborate on best practices and ensure optimal preparation for the Olympic Games 2020. A detailed Yearly Training Plan should be submitted to the High Performance Director by the personal coach before December 31, 2019. Regular monthly updates from the personal coach on progress will follow.

Once nominated to the 2020 Olympic Team, athletes who do not remain competitive ready because of lack of fitness, injury or illness may be removed from the Team at any time. Athletes are required to immediately report any injury, illness, or change in training that could affect their ability to compete at their highest level at the 2020 Olympic Games. Notification must be sent to the High Performance Director, or their designate.

8 – REMOVAL OF AN ATHLETE ONCE SELECTED

The High Performance Director, or their designate reserves the right to withdraw an athlete from nomination:

- If the athlete has not fulfilled his/her responsibilities with respect to mandatory training camps, testing, and competitions;
- If the athlete has not fulfilled his/her responsibilities as identified in the WCL Athlete Agreement;
- If the athlete is found to be in breach of the WCL Code of Conduct by a duly appointed disciplinary panel in accordance with the WCL Discipline Policy;
- If the athlete has been found to have committed an anti-doping rule violation by an Anti-Doping Organization with jurisdiction over the athlete. For the avoidance of doubt, this could include the CCES, UWW, the IOC, or a National Anti-Doping Organization from the country in which the athlete is located and is subject to doping control;
- If the athlete is unable to perform due to injury, illness or other medical reasons as supported by the WCL Chief Medical Officer (CMO).

Following nomination to the COC, any such removals are subject to approval by the COC Team Selection Committee. After July 6, 2020, any substitutions are also subject to the Tokyo 2020 Late Athlete Replacement Policy.

9 – ANTI-DOPING

National Team athletes may be requested to submit to doping control by any Anti-Doping Organization that has testing authority over them. This includes the CCES, any National Anti-Doping Organization of the country in which the athlete is located, UWW, WADA and the IOC. Athlete Support Personnel, which includes, *inter alia*, coaches or any other person who is working with, treating or assisting an athlete, are also subject to the anti-doping rules of relevant anti-doping organizations, such as the CCES, UWW, WADA

or the IOC. Should an athlete, coach or other athlete support personnel commit an anti-doping rule violation, that individual, in addition to other sanctions, will be removed from the Olympic Team.

All Olympic Team members will be required to complete the CCES e-learning course prior to competing internationally.

10 – WRESTLE-OFF PROVISIONS

10.1 – WRESTLE-OFF PROVISIONS FOR THE 2019 SENIOR CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Any athlete who is unable to compete at the 2019 Senior Canadian Championships and is requesting a wrestle-off, must meet the criteria as laid out in the 2019-2020 Wrestle-Off Procedures.

10.2 – INJURY PROVISION WRESTLE-OFF CRITERIA FOR 2019 CANADIAN OLYMPIC TEAM TRIALS

Any athlete who is unable to compete at the 2019 Canadian Wrestling Team Trials due to injury may still be considered for nomination, providing they meet the following criteria and satisfy the following conditions. Final approval for the wrestle-off is at the sole discretion of the High Performance Director.

A. The official WCL “Inability to Participate Medical Form” is completed by an approved WCL physician and submitted to the High Performance Director no later than the 2019 Canadian Wrestling Team Trials technical meeting. Any medical injury provisions will be reviewed and subject to final approval by the WCL Chief Medical Officer (CMO). The athlete must also clearly indicate, **IN WRITING**, at the time of the submission, the weight class he / she is submitting an injury provision wrestle-off request for.

B. Wrestle-Off Criteria

CRITERIA 1:

- Top 6 ranking at the 2019 Senior World Championships in an Olympic weight class at the weight class for which they are submitting an injury provision wrestle-off request.
- The wrestle-off process will be as follows:
 - The athlete requesting the wrestle-off will wrestle the top ranked athlete from the 2019 Canadian Olympic Team trials in a best two of three match format, with the injured athlete being down a match.
 - The winner of this wrestle-off will be considered first on the Olympic Team depth chart and the loser will be considered second. All other athlete rankings at that weight class will be adjusted accordingly.

CRITERIA 2:

- Top 8 ranking at the 2019 Senior World Championships in an Olympic weight class OR;
- Top 3 ranking at the 2019 Senior World Championships in a non-Olympic weight class within one weight class of the weight class they are submitting an injury provision wrestle-off request for, AND top 3 finish at the 2019 Senior Canadian Championships in an Olympic weight class, OR;

- Top 6 at the 2018 Senior Worlds Championships in an Olympic weight class AND top 3 finish at the 2019 Senior Canadian Championships in an Olympic weight class, OR;
- Top 3 ranking at the 2018 Senior World Championships in a non-Olympic weight class within one weight class of the weight class they are submitting an injury provision wrestle-off request for AND top 3 finish at the 2019 Senior Canadian Championships in an Olympic weight class, OR;
- Athletes with an [International Performance Index \(IPI\)](#) accumulated between April 1, 2018 and March 31, 2019:
 - IPI of 2.0 for Men's Freestyle
 - IPI of 2.5 for Women
 - IPI of 2.0 for Men's Greco-Roman
- The wrestle-off process will be as follows:
 - Where there is more than one athlete that satisfies the wrestle-off criteria, those athletes will wrestle off in a random single elimination match to determine the final athlete entering into the wrestle-off process as defined below;
 - The injured athlete must beat the second ranked athlete from the 2019 Canadian Team Trials in a single match. If successful, he / she will then compete in a best two of three match final against the Trials winner with the injured athlete being down a match;
 - If the injured athlete loses against the second ranked athlete, the wrestle-off will conclude at that point;
 - The injured athlete's final result will determine his / her final rank on the Olympic Team depth chart. All other athlete rankings at that weight class will be adjusted accordingly.

10.3 – APPROVED WRESTLE-OFFS

The wrestle-off will be held at scratch weight (no weight tolerance). Wrestle-offs will be completed no later than June 15, 2020.

The date, time, and location for the wrestle-off will be determined by the High Performance Director, taking into consideration:

- The most economical and cost-effective location;
- The injury status;
- Any other restrictions of the athletes involved:
 - Professional commitments
 - Educational commitments
 - Family commitments
- Nomination requirements and deadlines for selection;
- International qualification of the respective weight class;
- Optimal performance preparation for the Games.

Once the date is set, if any wrestler misses the wrestle-off, they will automatically forfeit their place on the Olympic Team depth chart. If more than one wrestler is eligible for a wrestle-off in the same weight class then those eligible for the wrestle-off must first compete against one another, in a random, single elimination one match wrestle-off, before wrestling off against the 2nd ranked Trials athlete or the Trials winner.

11 – MEN’S FREESTYLE AND MEN’S GRECO-ROMAN

Male athletes will **not** be permitted to compete in both Freestyle and Greco-Roman styles if they win the Canadian Team Trials in both styles. The athlete will be required to make a choice indicating, in writing, which style they will wrestle throughout the remainder of the international Olympic qualification process, as well as at the Olympic Games, if he so qualifies. This will need to be submitted to the High Performance Director no later than December 31, 2019.

Once the athlete indicates which style he will compete in, the second ranked athlete from the 2019 Canadian Wrestling Team Trials in the declined style will become the first ranked athlete on the Olympic Team depth chart.

12 – STAFF SELECTION

12.1 – ACCREDITED STAFF

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 2020 Olympic Games as well as contributing to a winning team culture. Priority is given to the Team Leader and International Coach.

Staff selections will be based on final confirmation of COC quota allocations. Any decisions on the distribution of accreditations falls within the authority of the High Performance Director.

All coaches must also:

- Be a member in good standing with WCL
- Be a member in good standing with the Professional Coaching Program of the Coaching Association of Canada, either as a Chartered Professional Coach or Registered Coach
- NCCP Competition Development Certified (or equivalent), or higher
- Comply with all COC requirements

12.2 – NON-ACCREDITED STAFF

Notwithstanding COC staff quota allocations noted above, WCL may consider the selection of support staff in a non-accredited capacity.

13 – NOMINATIONS TO THE COC

Final athlete and staff nominations to the COC will be made no later than June 15, 2020. Nominated athletes must continue to satisfy the eligibility criteria laid out above until the completion of the Games.

Should a nominated athlete, at any time between the sport entry deadline and the sport technical meeting for the 2020 Olympic Games, decline his or her nomination or be declared unable to participate in a competitive manner or no longer meet the eligibility criteria, that athlete shall be replaced, subject to the

IOC Late Athlete Replacement Policy, by the highest ranked COC approved alternate from the 2019 Canadian Wrestling Team Trials (after the completion of any wrestle-offs, if necessary) in his or her event.

Training partners will be selected by the International Coach in consultation with the athlete and approved by the High Performance Director.

Should Canada receive an additional quota spot through the Reallocation of Unused Tripartite Commission Invitation Places, the athlete nominated to the 2020 Olympic Team will be the top ranked athlete from the quota spot weight class from the 2019 Canadian Olympic Team Trials, after any and all wrestle-offs are completed, if necessary.

14 – PROVISIONAL TIMELINE SUMMARY

DATE	EVENT
March 22-24, 2019	2019 Senior Canadian National Championships (Saskatoon, Canada)
September 14-22, 2019	2019 Senior World Championship (Astana, Kazakhstan)
December 5, 2019	Deadline for injury wrestle-off application
December 5-7, 2019	Nomination event: Canadian Olympic Team Trials
December 31, 2019	Deadline to submit intention to compete in either FS or GR, if applicable
TBD	Deadline to return signed EEC forms
February - April 2020	Continental Qualifying Tournament (TBD)
April 30 - June 3, 2020	International Qualifying Tournament (Sofia, Bulgaria)
June 15, 2020	Deadline for all approved wrestle-offs
June 15, 2020	Deadline to submit COC & WCL athlete agreements
July 1, 2020	Deadline for WCL to send team nominations to the COC

15 – APPEALS PROCEDURE

WCL nominations to the COC for the 2020 Olympic Games may be appealed in accordance with the procedures set out in the [WCL Appeal Policy](#). If both parties are in agreement, the WCL Appeal Policy may be bypassed and the matter brought directly to the Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada (SDRCC) who will then manage the appeal.

16 – COMMUNICATION STRATEGY

This document will be circulated via email to all Provincial / Territorial Sport Organizations (PTSOs) as well as published on the WCL website. WCL respectfully requests that the PTSOs share this document to their constituents via posting on their webpage and circulating via email to their members.

This document will be presented to the athletes in attendance of a National Team GMP Camp and again at the 2019 Senior Canadian Championships. In addition, an infographic has been developed to accompany this document **for guidance purposes only**.

All subsequent amendments to this document will be circulated via email to all PTSOs as well as posted on the WCL website. WCL respectfully requests that the PTSOs share updates to this document with their members via posting on their respective webpage and circulating via email to their members.

Communication of the final 2020 Olympic Team athlete and staff selections will be posted on the WCL website and emailed to the athletes, selected staff and PTSOs, no later than June 15, 2020. Where changes have occurred in nominations, WCL will circulate the changes via email to all PTSOs as well as posting on the WCL website.

17 – MODIFICATION OF THIS DOCUMENT

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

This clause shall not be used to justify changes after a competition or trials which formed part of this document unless it is related to an unforeseen circumstance as described immediately above. This also allows for changes to this document that may become necessary due to a typographical error or a lack of clarity in a definition or wording before it has an impact on athletes.

In the event of a change to this document, WCL shall inform the membership of the changes and the reasons for those changes as soon as possible.

APPENDIX A (INTERNATIONAL QUALIFICATION SYSTEM)

Please refer to: [QUALIFICATION SYSTEM – GAMES OF THE XXXII OLYMPIAD – TOKYO 2020](#)

APPENDIX B (SEEDING CRITERIA)

Tokyo INP Seeding Criteria

The High Performance Director (HPD), or their designate, will perform the seeding for the 2020 Tokyo INP selections. The HPD, or their designate, will present the seeding nominations to the coaches on a weight class by weight class basis according to the seeding criteria outlined below. Coaches will have an opportunity to identify any athlete(s) who meet the seeding criteria that may have been omitted.

NOTE:

- A maximum of four (4) seeds per weight class
- Coaches cannot withdraw their athletes from seeding
- Criteria are weight class specific (unless otherwise noted)

Seeding criteria, in ranking order:

1. 2019 World Team member (top 8);
2. 2019 Senior World medallist at a different weight class;
3. International Performance Index points (April 1, 2019 to December 4, 2019);
4. Placement from 2019 Senior Canadian Championships (including True Second);
5. Total carding points (April 1 to December 4, 2019);
6. Head-to-head competition limited to the 2019 SFU International carding tournament and 2019 Canada Cup.