

# **2014 World Team Trials Qualification & Procedures**

## **Women's Freestyle Olympic and Non-Olympic Weights**

**These are the style-specific procedures for the Women's Freestyle World Team Trials and are subject to the general 2014 World Team Trials Procedures which are available on TheMat.com or by contacting the USA Wrestling National Coach.**

### **U.S. Open – April 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014 in Las Vegas, NV**

- Eight weight categories will be contested – 48kg, 53kg, 55kg, 58kg, 60kg, 63kg, 69kg, and 75kg.
- The top 7 wrestlers at 48kg, 53kg, 58kg, 63kg, 69kg, and 75kg will qualify to compete in the World Team Trials Phase I.
- The top 2 wrestlers at 55kg and 60kg will qualify to compete in the World Team Trials Phase I.
- The US Open Champions at 48kg, 53kg, 55kg, 58kg, 60kg, 63kg, 69kg, and 75kg will earn an automatic berth to the Final Wrestle-Off of the World Team Trials at that respective weight.
- The top 6 wrestlers at 48kg, 53kg, 55kg, 58kg, 60kg, 63kg, 69kg, and 75kg will advance to the World Team Trials Phase II.

### **World Team Trials Phase I – May 31<sup>st</sup> and June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014 in Madison, WI (Olympic Weights Only)**

- Wrestlers who meet the following criteria will be eligible for the World Team Trials Phase I:
  1. Past USA World/Olympic Team member
  2. Champion from a Senior-level North American or Pan American FILA international competition from July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013 up to the 2014 World Team Trials
  3. Top 3 USA athletes from each weight class the 2014 WCWA National Championships
  4. Top 7 finishers per Olympic weight class from the 2014 U.S. Open
  5. Top 2 finishers per non-Olympic weight class from the 2014 U.S. Open
  6. Top 2 finishers from the 2014 University National Championships
  7. Champion from the 2014 Northern Plains Regional
  8. Top 3 finisher at an International Senior-level Tour in Europe or Asia that is approved by the USA Wrestling National Coach (must be within one year of the 2014 World Team Trials)
- The six Olympic weight categories will be contested: 48kg, 53kg, 58kg, 63kg, 69kg, and 75kg
- The event will be conducted in a one-day format using line bracketing. The World Team Trials qualifiers will wrestle in a Trials Tournament in the morning. The winner of the Trials Tournament will challenge the wrestler who has earned automatic berth to the Final Wrestle-Off in a best of three series in the evening.
- The Trials Tournament will be seeded by a seeding committee consisting of one coach or representative from each of the USAW registered clubs entered in the World Team Trials Phase I. Individuals not a member of a club will be represented by a member of the seeding committee designated by the President of USA Wrestling.
  1. The top two finishers from the U.S. Open National Championships who are participating in the Trials Tournament will receive the top two seeds. Any other changes from the U.S. Open National Championship will require a majority vote from the seeding committee.
  2. Byes will be placed with seeded wrestlers first, in order of seed. If any byes are remaining they will be placed in the brackets in accordance to the accepted system in use by USA Wrestling.
- The top three finishers at 48kg, 53kg, 58kg, 63kg, 69kg, and 75kg are members of the 2014-2015 National Team and the winner of the Final Wrestle-Off will be the 2014 World Team member.
- True third place: If the second-place finisher from the Trials Tournament has not wrestled the third place finisher from the Trials Tournament, then they will wrestle one match during the Final Wrestle-Off session to determine a true third place for ranking on the National Team.

## World Team Trials Phase II – July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014 in Fargo, ND (Non-Olympic Weights Only)

- The two non-Olympic weight categories will be contested: 55kg and 60kg
- Wrestlers who meet the following criteria will be eligible for the World Team Trials Phase II:
  1. Past USA World/Olympic Team member
  2. Top 6 finishers from the 2014 US Open in **any** weight category
  3. Top 6 finishers from the 2014 Phase I World Team Trials in **any** weight category
  4. Top 4 finishers from the 2014 University Nationals
  5. Top 6 USA athletes from each weight class the 2014 WCWA National Championships
  6. Champion from the 2014 Northern Plains Regional
  7. FILA Junior National Team Members\* – top 3 finishers who meet FILA Senior age group requirements (must have turned at least 18 years of age this calendar year)
    - \* Established at the Body Bar Tournament on May 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014
- The event will be conducted in a one-day format using line bracketing. The World Team Trials qualifiers will wrestle in a Trials Tournament in the morning. The winner of the Trials Tournament will challenge the wrestler who has earned automatic berth to the Final Wrestle-Off in a best of three series in the evening.
- The Trials Tournament will be seeded by a seeding committee consisting of one coach or representative from each of the USAW registered clubs entered in the World Team Trials Phase II. Individuals not a member of a club will be represented by a member of the seeding committee designated by the President of USA Wrestling.
  1. The top two finishers from the U.S. Open National Championships who are participating in the Trials Tournament will receive the top two seeds. Any other changes from the U.S Open National Championship will require a majority vote from the seeding committee.
  2. Byes will be placed with seeded wrestlers first, in order of seed. If any byes are remaining they will be placed in the brackets in accordance to the accepted system in use by USA Wrestling.
- The top 3 finishers at 55kg and 60kg are members of the 2014-2015 National Team and the winner of the Final Wrestle-Off will be the 2014 World Team member.
- True third place: If the second-place finisher from the Trials Tournament has not wrestled the third place finisher from the Trials Tournament, then they will wrestle one match during the Final Wrestle-Off session to determine a true third place for ranking on the National Team.