



**2019 UWW U23 Greco-Roman  
World Team Trials Procedures**

# **UWW U23 WORLD TEAM TRIALS Information**

## 2019 UWW U23 World Team Selection

The representatives to the UWW U23 World Championships will be selected based upon a team trials process to be held as soon after the college school year as possible.

### Eligible athletes:

- Must be a citizen of the United States of America
- Born 1996-2000 (2001 with medical certificate)

### Tournament format:

- Two-day format with a best-of-three series in the finals
- No true third bouts will be wrestled
- Byes will be placed with seeded wrestlers first, in order of seed
- Weigh ins will follow current UWW rules

### Delay of final wrestle-off may only occur in the following situation:

- If a U23 age eligible athlete qualifies for Final X at the senior level, they do not have to participate in the U23 World Team Trials and can request a wrestle-off against the U23 World Team Trials champion at a date after Final X.
  - The request for a wrestle-off must be made by end of day June 22, 2019 to Matt Lindland.
  - If there are two age eligible athletes at the weight class for Final X, the Final X champion will be the eligible athlete for the U23 wrestle-off. If the Final X champion declines the wrestle-off, the runner-up at Final X will receive the option for the wrestle-off.
- Any delayed wrestle-off for the U23 World Team spot will be a best-of-three series at a time to be determined by the athletes involved as well as National Teams Staff.
  - If there is no agreement on the date, the Greco-Roman Sport Committee will determine the date and location for the wrestle-off.
- Flat weight will be required for all wrestle-offs.

### World team selection:

- In the event the U23 world team member decides not to attend the world championships, the replacement will be chosen in the following order:
  - The next highest placing athlete at the U23 World Team Trials will be asked to go as a replacement up to 3<sup>rd</sup> place at the U23 World Team Trials
  - Highest ranked age eligible Senior National Team member (rank 1-3)
  - Remaining eligible U23 World Team Trials in succession of placement (rank 4-8)

**Event registration:** All athletes wishing to compete at the **UWW U23 World Team Trials** MUST register online via [www.themat.com](http://www.themat.com).

For questions, please contact Pete Isais, USA Wrestling Director of National Events, at 719.598.8181 or email [pisais@usawrestling.org](mailto:pisais@usawrestling.org).

**Late registration:** Athletes who fail to register online for the trials will be charged all applicable fees and a \$10.00 late fee payable at registration.

To further our chances of performing well at the world level, USA Wrestling will incorporate the U23 Worlds with a pre-worlds training camp. In addition, USA Wrestling is looking to provide an opportunity to compete internationally, as well as provide further training before the U23 World Championships. This may require that some of the funding come from the individuals themselves and/or their clubs or universities.

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The camp schedule will be:

- Approximately two weeks of preparation, focusing on techniques and drills. The athletes will be expected to arrive in competition shape with their weight under control. Hard wrestling will not be required between wrestlers in the same weight category unless requested.
- Any required expenses on the athlete's part will be discussed and guidance will be given to help athletes get expense money together with dates established for receiving any funds needed.
- *Camps will NOT be required, but highly encouraged.*

Freestyle will have camps prior to departure for the World Championships. Camps will be held at locations where the Senior National Team camps are held. Questions should be directed to Joe Russell.

There will be a team meeting following the finals of the World Team Trials event. Departure needs to be arranged after this meeting.

**UWW U23 Greco-Roman World Team Trials (Akron, OH)**

**May 31 – June 2, 2019**

**\*Please check USAW events schedule for specific details.**

<http://usawevents.sportngin.com/events>

The UWW U23 World Championships is a partially funded tour. Athletes participating in the U23 Worlds will be required to pay a participation fee that will be determined closer to the team departure for the World Championships. There will be camp opportunities alongside the Senior National Team schedule, which will occur prior to the UWW U23 World Championships in Budapest, Hungary October 28 - November 3, 2019. All information on this will be given to the winners at their trials event in Akron, OH.

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