

**ATHLETE SELECTION PROCEDURES**  
**2019 ILLINOIS STATE TEAM**  
**February 2, 2019**

**I. SELECTION SYSTEM**

**Selection System Overview**

The athlete selection system for the 2019 Illinois State Team is objective based on the qualification event: The 2019 State Championships.

**A. Minimum eligibility requirements for an athlete to be considered for nomination to the Team:**

**1. Citizenship:**

- a. Athlete meets eligibility and nationality requirements as presented by USA Taekwondo in compliance with the minimum International Federation standards for participation (item I.A.2.).
- b. All athletes must be U.S. Citizens in order to compete.

**2. Minimum standards for participation (if any):**

- a. World Taekwondo (WT); Rules of Competition, Article 4. Contestants, Section 1 [http://www.wtf.org/wtf\\_eng/site/rules/competition.html](http://www.wtf.org/wtf_eng/site/rules/competition.html)
  - Holder of the nationality of the participating team.
  - Holder of Taekwondo Dan certificate issued by the Kukkiwon.
  - Competitors must be at least 10 years of age on December 31, 2019

**3. Coaching requirements:**

- a. Coaches must be a USA Taekwondo member in good standing.
- b. Coaches must be an ITSO member in good standing.
- c. Coaches must be at least level 1.
- d. Coaches must agree to and sign, "Coach's Code of Conduct."

**4. Other requirements (if any):**

- a. Athlete must be a USA Taekwondo member in good standing.
- b. Athlete must be an ITSO member in good standing.
- c. Athlete must compete in the World Class, Black Belt division.
- d. Athlete home club must be registered.
- e. Athlete must wear provide uniform to all ITSO trainings and events
- e. Athlete must be in possession of a U.S. Passport not expiring in the year of team membership

**B. 2019 Illinois State Team Size**

The 2019 Illinois State Team is made up of sixty-four (64) athletes – two (2) in each of the four (4) youth divisions, four (4) male & four (4) female weight divisions, two (2) in each of the ten (10) cadet divisions, ten (10) male & ten (10) female weight divisions, two (2) in each of the ten (10) junior divisions, ten (10) male & ten (10) female weight divisions, and two (2) in each of the eight (8) senior divisions, eight (8) male & eight (8) female weight divisions.

## Weight Division Classification for the 2019 Illinois State Team

### YOUTH

#### Men's division

Under 30kg Not exceeding 30kg  
Under 35kg Over 30kg & not exceeding 35kg  
Under 40kg Over 35kg & not exceeding 40kg  
Over 40kg Over 40kg

#### Women's division

Under 30kg Not exceeding 30kg  
Under 35kg Over 30kg & not exceeding 35kg  
Under 40kg Over 35kg & not exceeding 40kg  
Over 40kg Over 40kg

### CADET

#### Men's division

Under 33kg Not exceeding 33kg  
Under 37kg Over 33kg & not exceeding 37kg  
Under 41kg Over 37kg & not exceeding 41kg  
Under 45kg Over 41kg & not exceeding 45kg  
Under 49kg Over 45kg & not exceeding 49kg  
Under 53kg Over 49kg & not exceeding 53kg  
Under 57kg Over 53kg & not exceeding 57kg  
Under 61kg Over 57kg & not exceeding 61kg  
Under 65kg Over 61kg & not exceeding 65kg  
Over 65kg Over 65kg

#### Women's division

Under 29kg Not exceeding 29kg  
Under 33kg Over 29kg & not exceeding 33kg  
Under 37kg Over 33kg & not exceeding 37kg  
Under 41kg Over 37kg & not exceeding 41kg  
Under 44kg Over 41kg & not exceeding 44kg  
Under 47kg Over 44kg & not exceeding 47kg  
Under 51kg Over 47kg & not exceeding 51kg  
Under 55kg Over 51kg & not exceeding 55kg  
Under 59kg Over 55kg & not exceeding 59kg  
Over 59kg Over 59kg

### JUNIOR

#### Men's division

Under 45kg Not exceeding 45 kg  
Under 48kg Over 45 kg & Not exceeding 48 kg  
Under 51kg Over 48 kg & Not exceeding 51 kg  
Under 55kg Over 51 kg & Not exceeding 55 kg  
Under 59kg Over 55 kg & Not exceeding 59 kg  
Under 63kg Over 59 kg & Not exceeding 63 kg  
Under 68kg Over 63 kg & Not exceeding 68 kg  
Under 73kg Over 68 kg & Not exceeding 73 kg  
Under 78kg Over 73 kg & Not exceeding 78 kg  
Over 78kg Over 78 kg

#### Women's division

Under 42kg Not exceeding 42 kg  
Under 44kg Over 42 kg & Not exceeding 44 kg  
Under 46kg Over 44 kg & Not exceeding 46 kg  
Under 49kg Over 46 kg & Not exceeding 49 kg  
Under 52kg Over 49 kg & Not exceeding 52 kg  
Under 55kg Over 52 kg & Not exceeding 55 kg  
Under 59kg Over 55 kg & Not exceeding 59 kg  
Under 63kg Over 59 kg & Not exceeding 63 kg  
Under 68kg Over 63 kg & Not exceeding 68 kg  
Over 68kg Over 68 kg

### SENIOR

#### Men's division

Under 54kg Not exceeding 54 kg  
Under 58kg Over 54 kg & Not exceeding 58 kg  
Under 63kg Over 58 kg & Not exceeding 63 kg  
Under 68kg Over 63 kg & Not exceeding 68 kg  
Under 74kg Over 68 kg & Not exceeding 74 kg  
Under 80kg Over 74 kg & Not exceeding 80 kg  
Under 87kg Over 80 kg & Not exceeding 87 kg  
Over 87kg Over 78 kg

#### Women's division

Under 46kg Not exceeding 46 kg  
Under 49kg Over 46 kg & Not exceeding 49 kg  
Under 53kg Over 49 kg & Not exceeding 53 kg  
Under 57kg Over 53 kg & Not exceeding 57 kg  
Under 62kg Over 57 kg & Not exceeding 62 kg  
Under 67kg Over 62 kg & Not exceeding 67 kg  
Under 73kg Over 67 kg & Not exceeding 73 kg  
Over 73kg Over 73 kg

**The selection process for the 2019 Illinois State Team will be determined by the highest placing eligible Illinois athlete at the 2019 Illinois State Championship.**

### **2019 Illinois State Championships**

All Illinois athletes (with a current ITSO membership) that register, make weight, and finish in 1<sup>st</sup> place at the 2019 Illinois State Championship will be invited to join the team. If the 1<sup>st</sup> place finisher does not meet the necessary requirements, the team spot will fall to the next, highest placing, eligible athlete.

## **2019 Sanctioned State Championships – World Class Division**

Athletes qualifying for the Illinois State Team are required to compete in the SAME weight division in which they qualified for team selection - 2019 Illinois State Championships – World Class.

Competition Format – Single Elimination

2019 Illinois State Championships will be single-elimination format. In single-elimination format, the loser of each match is immediately eliminated from the competition bracket.

### **Seeding Criteria**

Seeding for the 2019 Illinois State Championships will be based off of National rankings

#### **E. The following shall oversee the selection process.**

- Michael Raiz, President, Illinois Taekwondo State Organization
- David Kim, President, Illinois Taekwondo State Organization

## **II. REMOVAL OF ATHLETES**

- A. An athlete who is to be nominated to the Team by ITSO may be removed from the nominations for any of the following reasons, as determined by ITSO.

Voluntary withdrawal. Athlete must submit a written letter to the ITSO Executive Director. Injury or illness as certified by a physician (or medical staff). If an athlete refuses verification of their illness or injury by a physician (or medical staff), his/her injury will be assumed to be disabling and he/she may be removed.

Violation of ITSO Code of Conduct. (Attachment A). An athlete who may be removed from the Team pursuant to this provision has the right to a hearing per ITSO Bylaws Athlete Agreement (Attachment B).

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## **III. REPLACEMENT OF ATHLETES**

- A. The second place athlete from the 2019 Illinois State Team Trial, from the same weight division of the athlete to be replaced is the replacement. If the replacement athlete is not available, then the 3<sup>rd</sup> place finisher becomes the next eligible athlete. If the 3<sup>rd</sup> place finisher is not available, then the 4<sup>th</sup> place finisher becomes the next eligible athlete. This continues until there are no eligible athletes in the same weight division. If by then, no athlete is available, the spot remains vacant.

#### **B. The following shall be responsible for making athlete replacement determinations:**

- Michael Raiz, President, Illinois Taekwondo State Organization
- David Kim, President, Illinois Taekwondo State Organization

**IV. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS** ITSO will retain all supporting documents, including scouting or evaluation forms, etc., and data from the selection process for six months.

**V. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS** The following documents are required to be signed by an athlete and a participating coach (if any) as a condition of nomination to the 2019 State Team, and are included as attachments:

- Code of Conduct (Attachment A)
- Athlete Agreement (Attachment B)
- Coach Code of Conduct (Attachment C)

**VI. MANDATORY TRAINING AND COMPETITION**

- Athletes shall actively participate in at least 3 of 4 ITSO State Sparring Trainings (Sparring Team Athletes) and/or 3 of 4 ITSO State Poomsae Trainings (Poomsae Team Athletes)
- Athletes shall compete at the 2018 ITSO State Team Event (TBD)

**VII. ANTI-DOPING REQUIREMENTS**

Athletes must adhere to all IOC, WADA, WT, USADA and USOC anti-doping protocols, policies and procedures. This includes participation in out of competition testing as required by the IOC, WADA, WT, USADA and USOC Rules.

**VIII. ITSO Board Member SIGNATURES**

I certify that I have read and understand the information provided herein regarding Athlete Selection Procedures approved by Illinois Taekwondo State Organization.

**Position Print Name Signature Date**

President **Michael Raiz**  
2/2/2019

President **David Kim**  
2/2/2019

Date Original Procedures Rec'd \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Revision Submitted \_\_\_\_\_