Sailing is one of the sports at the inaugural Junior Pan Am Games. The Notice of Race has not been published, but the competition dates are expected to be September 9 - 19, 2021 in Cali, Colombia. Information will be posted at [https://www.ussailing.org/news/jrpanam21/](https://www.ussailing.org/news/jrpanam21/).

USA has qualified in each of the four events:

- Windsurfing – Men – iQFoil
- Windsurfing – Women – iQFoil

From the governing documents for the Cali Junior Pan Am Games, “the gold medalists in each of these individual events [at the Cali 2021 Junior Pan Am Games] will qualify directly to the Santiago 2023 Pan American Games. These places will be allocated to the athletes, not the country. If the athlete who earned the place cannot participate in the Santiago 2023 Games, said place will be lost and may not be transferred to the country or to any other athlete in the corresponding event of the Cali 2021 Junior Pan Am Games.”

**Definition of a Prospective Athlete**

A person meeting all the Athlete Eligibility requirements specified herein who wishes to compete in the 2021 Junior Pan Am Games.

1. **ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY**

- Citizenship – Unless otherwise approved by the IOC or World Sailing Board, all prospective athletes shall be a national of the USA and present proof of nationality (passport) or approved exception. The athlete’s passport shall not expire for six months after the conclusion of the 2021 Junior Pan Am Games.
- Age – Athletes must be at least 18 and not more than 22 years old in the year of the Jr. Pan American Games (year of birth: 1999 to 2003, inclusive)
- All prospective athletes shall be registered as a current and active ‘World Sailing Sailor’ on the World Sailing website.
- Athletes must be members in good standing of US Sailing.
- Gender – Prospective athletes must meet the gender requirement of the respective event.
- Athletes must comply with the US Sailing Code of Conduct (Attachment 1) from the publication date of this document through the Junior Pan Am Games event.
- **Athletes must register their intention to compete at the Jr. PAGs at this** [LINK](https://www.ussailing.org/news/jrpanam21/) **and complete their US Olympic and Paralympic Committee (USOPC) Long List Registration before May 21, 2021 in order to be registered with the USOPC as a prospective participant.**
2. SELECTION PROCEDURES

US Sailing’s International Selection Committee (ISC) will select one eligible prospective athlete in each of the events to represent the United States at the inaugural Junior Pan Am Games 2021.


Should a selected athlete be unable to compete at the Junior Pan Am Games for any reason, the next highest-ranking eligible athlete from the selection event will be nominated.

The race scores of ineligible athletes who compete in these events and finish ahead of eligible teams will count in this scoring system; e.g.: a 10th place finish in each race is 10 points regardless of the eligibility of athletes finishing 1st through 9th.

If the selection event is a “non-event” as defined in the Notice of Race for that event, is cancelled, or is postponed until after August 15, 2021, the ISC will select based on the following discretionary criteria:

3. DISCRETIONARY SELECTION CRITERIA

If discretionary selection is required, eligible athletes must submit their sailing resume, a 2021 on and off-water training plan, and application to US Sailing (olympic@ussailing.org) as soon as possible after event cancellation, but no later than August 12, 2021. The ISC will make a selection decision by August 15, 2021.

The ISC will select the iQFoil class by sailing resume based on the following criteria:
- Performance at previous events
- Recognizing that not all applicants may be able to participate in all these events, athletes are encouraged to compete in the following 2021 regattas:
  - West Marine US Open Sailing Series--San Diego | June 11-13 | San Diego Yacht Club
  - West Marine US Open Sailing Series--Long Beach | July 8-11, 2021 | Alamitos Bay Yacht Club
  - The Gorge Olympic Cup | July 22-25, 2021 | Columbia Gorge Racing Association

The ISC will select the International Laser Class Association – Radial & Standard - (ILCA 6 & 7) by sailing resume based on performance at events.
4. REMOVAL OR WITHDRAWAL OF ATHLETES

An athlete who has been nominated to represent the U.S. may be removed for any of the following reasons:

- Voluntary withdrawal. Athlete must submit a written letter to Meredith Brody, Olympic Director, at MeredithBrody@ussailing.org.

- Injury or illness as certified by a physician (or medical staff) approved by US Sailing. If an athlete refuses verification of injury or illness by a physician (or medical staff) approved by US Sailing, the injury or illness will be assumed to be disabling and the athlete may be removed.

- Violation of the Code of Conduct (Attachment 1). An athlete who is removed pursuant to this provision has the right to a hearing per US Sailing’s Bylaws as mentioned in US Sailing’s Bylaw 702 and the USOPC’s Bylaws, Section 9.

- An athlete may be removed as a representative of the U.S. in the Event for an adjudicated violation of IOC, PASO, IPC, WADA, IF, USADA and/or USOPC anti-doping protocol, policies and procedures, as applicable.

5. DEVELOPMENT OF SELECTION PROCEDURES

The following committee was responsible for creating these Selection Procedures:

JJ Fetter | Chair of International Selection Committee, Olympian
Meredith Brody | US Sailing Olympic Director
Maggie Shea | Athlete Advisory Representative, Tokyo 2020 Nominated Olympian
Judge Ryan | Alternate Athlete Advisory Representative
Briana Provancha | US Sailing Director, Olympian
Luther Carpenter | US Sailing Team Head Coach
Sally Barkow | US Sailing Team Coach and Performance Manager, Olympian
Joe Morris | former Athlete Advisory Representative, Olympian
Thomas Barrows | US Sailing Team Coach, Olympian
Dave Perry | US Sailing Team Rules Advisor
Paul Cayard | Executive Director US Olympic Sailing, Olympian
Leandro Spina | Olympic Development Director

6. ATHLETE OMBUDSMAN

Athletes who have questions regarding their opportunity to compete that are not answered by US Sailing may contact either of the following:

- US Sailing Athlete Ombudsman, Bob Lane by email at rlane@hmallc.com.
- USOPC Athlete Ombudsman Kacie Wallace by email at kacie@usathlete.org.
  Telephone | (719) 866-2299
  Toll-free telephone | 1-(888) ATHLETE (1-888-284-5383)
  Email | athlete.ombudsman@usoc.org
  https://www.teamusa.org/Athlete-Ombuds
7. DISCLAIMER

The Selection Criteria are based on the latest information available to US Sailing.

AS THE NATIONAL GOVERNING BODY FOR SAILING IN THE UNITED STATES, THE COMMITTEE MAY NOT DISCRIMINATE BASED UPON THE APPLICANT’S RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, AGE, SEX OR NATIONAL ORIGIN, DISABILITY, VETERAN STATUS, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, GENDER IDENTITY OR EXPRESSION, GENETIC INFORMATION, OR ANY OTHER STATUS PROTECTED BY FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL LAW, WHERE APPLICABLE.
Attachment 1: 2021 US Sailing
Code of Conduct for 2021 Junior Pan Am Games Team

The Athlete hereby pledges to uphold the spirit of US Sailing’s Code of Conduct (the “Code”), which offers a guide to the Athlete’s conduct. The Athlete acknowledges that he or she has a right to a hearing if the opportunity to compete is denied or if charged with a violation of this Code.

The Athlete commits to familiarization with the Code and understands that acceptance of its provisions is a condition of selection to the event. Failure to meet any term in the Code of Conduct will not be tolerated. Athletes who violate the Code of Conduct will be subject to a disciplinary review by US Sailing and penalties that may include suspension or removal from the event.

As a Member of the Travel Team, the Athlete hereby promises and agrees that s/he:

- Shall abide by all rules related to the selection procedures as approved by US Sailing;
- Shall exercise good judgment and conduct themselves with honesty, integrity, and respect for others at all times, including acting in a sportsmanlike manner consistent with the spirit of fair play;
- Shall maintain a level of fitness and competitive readiness that will permit performance at the maximum of the athlete’s abilities;
- Shall follow the World Sailing Anti-Doping Code, the World Anti-Doping Code and the United States Anti-Doping Protocol, acknowledging the World Sailing, World Anti-Doping Agency and US Anti-Doping Agency rules and regulations concerning the use of banned methods and substances. Drug testing may take place during the event;
- Is not currently serving an Anti-Doping Agency violation and does not have a pending or unresolved violation charge;
- Shall review medications on www.globaldro.com and determine if any medications are considered Prohibited. If considered Prohibited, athletes will have to apply for a TUE, Therapeutic Usage Exemption. Any questions can go to olympic@ussailing.org;
- Shall be familiar with and follow the SafeSport rules, policies, and procedures adopted by the USOPC Center for SafeSport, as such rules may be amended from time to time;
- Shall successfully complete SafeSport training upon signing the Code of Conduct. Training is required every year, with a refresher course for those who have previously completed the SafeSport Training;
  - To complete the training: go to the SafeSport website. 
  - Create an account (if not done so already) by entering Athlete’s US Sailing member ID
  - Follow instructions for online training
- Shall complete a background check through the US Sailing provider upon signing the Code of Conduct and promptly complete this screening after receiving the e-mail prompt by Hire Image, the screening company retained by US Sailing;
- Shall not engage in any conduct that is criminal under any laws applicable to the athlete, including, but not limited to laws governing the possession and use of drugs and alcohol and
providing of drugs to any person and of alcohol to minors;
• Is eligible to compete under the rules of World Sailing;
• Shall refrain from conduct detracting from athlete’s ability or that of teammates to attain peak performance;
• Shall give careful consideration to the possibility of incurring injuries that would jeopardize the ability to compete in sailing events, prior to participating in potentially hazardous sports such as skiing, snowboarding, hang gliding, rock climbing, parachuting, base jumping, water skiing, wake boarding, etc;
• Shall respect the property of others whether personal or public;
• Shall exercise good judgment and conduct themself with honesty, integrity, and respect for team members, team coaches, staff members, other teams, supporters, spectators, and officials; shall refrain from biased or harassing behavior or verbal, physical or sexual abuse;
• Shall act in a way that will bring respect and honor to the Athlete, teammates, US Sailing, team supporters, the US Olympic Sailing Program, and the United States; and
• Shall remember at all times that s/he is an ambassador for the US Sailing, the USA, and the Olympic Movement.

The Athlete acknowledges that failure to comply with any of these terms may result in suspension or removal from the event, and/or forfeiture of the right to represent US Sailing and/or the USOPC at international events. US Sailing will follow all due process requirements of the US Sailing Regulations and Bylaws and the US Olympic Committee Bylaws, where applicable, before declaring an athlete ineligible to participate.

Typed name below is considered legal and binding.

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Athlete Signature                                  Parent/Guardian Signature if Athlete is under 18

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Athlete Name (Print)                                Parent/Guardian Name (Print)

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Date                                                        Date