



2013 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ELITE QUALIFICATION CRITERIA

Athlete Eligibility

The eligibility requirements for an athlete to be considered for entry into an ITU World Championship Event are as follows:

- Athletes must be a citizen of the United States or be eligible to race for the United States;
- Must hold a current USAT Elite License;
- Must abide by all USAT, USOC, ITU, USADA and WADA anti-doping policies and procedures and be in good standing with these organizations.

Qualification Process

The qualification process for each ITU World Championship event is listed below. There are a maximum of six (6) slots per gender for each team. All discretionary nomination requests and supporting information should be sent to ituentries@usatriathlon.org.

Automatic qualifiers and athletes selected based on discretion will be contacted by a Team USA representative who will provide information regarding travel and accommodations as well as uniform purchase. For all disciplines all expenses related to the event will be the athlete's responsibility. Performance based bonuses will be available in Cross Triathlon, Long Course Triathlon and Short Course Duathlon as outlined in the 2013 USAT Elite Athlete Incentive Plan.

Winter Triathlon

Worlds: Cogne, Italy – February 22-24, 2013

Qualification Event: N/A

Qualification Procedure: All team slots will be selected via discretionary selection.

The following criteria shall be used for discretionary selection. The criteria are listed in priority order:

1. Finish place at prior World and Winter Triathlon National Championships;
2. Other results from competitive winter triathlon international events;
3. Other results from competitive Nordic skiing, mountain biking and running events.

Request for Discretionary Nomination Deadline: January 21, 2013

Cross Triathlon

Worlds: Den Haag, The Netherlands – July 13, 2013

Qualification Event: XTERRA West Championship – Lake Las Vegas, NV – April 13, 2013

Qualification Procedure: Top 3 Americans per gender who finish in the top 5% of the winning time will achieve automatic qualification. Remaining team slots will be selected via discretionary selection.

The following criteria shall be used for discretionary selection. The criteria are listed in priority order:

1. Finish place in the qualification event;
2. XTERRA US Pro Standings rank;
3. Other results from competitive cross triathlon international events.

Request for Discretionary Nomination: April 15, 2013

Athlete Support: Performance based bonus will be available for athletes who achieve a podium finish.

Long Course Triathlon

Worlds: Belfort, France – June 1-2, 2013

Qualification Event: Oceanside Ironman 70.3 – Oceanside, CA – March 30, 2013

Qualification Procedure: Top 3 Americans per gender who finish in the top 5% of the winning time will achieve automatic qualification. Remaining team slots will be selected via discretionary selection.

The following criteria shall be used for discretionary selection. The criteria are listed in priority order:

1. Finish place in the qualification event;
2. 70.3 Pro Ranking;
3. Other results from competitive long course triathlon international events.

Request for Discretionary Nomination: April 2, 2013

Athlete Support: Performance based bonus will be available for athletes who achieve a podium finish.

Long Course Duathlon

Worlds: Zofingen, Switzerland – September 8, 2013

Qualification Event: N/A

Qualification Procedure: All team slots will be selected via discretionary selection.

The following criteria shall be used for discretionary selection. The criteria are listed in priority order:

1. Finish place at prior World Championships;
2. Other results from competitive long course duathlon international events;
3. Other results from competitive long distance racing in triathlon, cycling and running.

Request for Discretionary Nomination: March 1, 2013

Short Course Duathlon

Worlds: Cali, Colombia – July 26-27, 2013

Qualification Event: Double Oak Duathlon – Birmingham, AL – April 6, 2013

Qualification Procedure: Top 3 Americans per gender who finish in the top 5% of the winning time will achieve automatic qualification. Remaining team slots will be selected via discretionary selection.

The following criteria shall be used for discretionary selection. The criteria are listed in priority order:

1. Finish place in the qualification event;
2. Finish place at prior World Championship events;
3. Other results from competitive duathlon international events.

Request for Discretionary Nomination: March 1, 2013

Athlete Support: Performance based bonus will be available for athletes who achieve a podium finish.

Aquathlon

Worlds: London, England – September 11, 2013

Worlds Qualification Procedure: First slots are reserved for members of the 2013 London Triathlon Team as determined by the 2013 World Triathlon Series Event Selection Criteria. Remaining slots will be offered via resume to athletes who can provide proof of strong run and swim abilities.

Resume Submission Deadline: February 1, 2013

***International Disclaimer**

The Selection Criteria are based on the latest information available to USA Triathlon, and on ITU and USA Triathlon rules and regulations as presently known and understood. Any change in the selection procedures caused by a change in ITU or USA Triathlon rules and regulations, or other unforeseen circumstances, will be distributed to the affected athletes promptly, and USA Triathlon reserves the right to revise these Selection criteria in such event.