

1. WFDF World Ultimate and Guts Championships (2012, 2016, etc...)

Responsible for Selection and Administration of USA Ultimate (USAU) Teams

- A. USAU Competition and Athlete Programs staff, team coaches, and selection committee.
- B. USAU will pay the team fee for WFDF WUGC US National teams.

Process

- A. Men's, Mixed, and Women's Divisions
 - a. There will be a series of selection camps where interested, eligible players can compete for a spot on the Men's, Mixed, and Women's teams to represent the US in WFDF competition.
 - b. It is strongly preferred that head coaches for each of the teams have demonstrated experience in the division they will be coaching.
 - c. The selection committee for each team should collectively include experience with and knowledge of the divisions as follows:
 - i. Men's team – Men's and Mixed
 - ii. Women's team – Women's and Mixed
 - iii. Mixed team - Men's, Women's, and Mixed
- B. Masters Divisions
 - a. USAU will send the highest-placing US team at the prior year's Masters National Championships to represent the US.
 - b. If a non-U.S. team wins a division, the next highest-placing US team will be selected. *Although the Masters National Championship is not a "true" national championship as non-US teams do participate, the USAU Board feels that the highest-placing US team is a high-quality representative of US Ultimate.*
 - c. If the selected team declines its bid, the next highest placing team will qualify.
 - d. The teams which qualify will represent themselves as "USA Ultimate" and not by their masters team names. This is how the teams will be registered with WFDF and will be referenced in all media. "USA Ultimate" must be incorporated into the competition uniforms and logos as the most prominent design element. All uniform designs are subject to final approval by USAU.

Eligibility Requirements

- A. A player may participate in only one division at WUGC.
- B. A player participating on a USAU team may not participate on any other team at the event.
- C. Players must be USAU members in good standing in order to apply for the team and at the time the WUGC event takes place.
- D. Men's, Women's, Mixed Divisions
 - a. In order to demonstrate support for and an active understanding of USAU and WFDF rules, officiating systems, standards, and expectations:
 - i. Players must have actively participated in the USAU College Series or Club Series during the year prior to the WUGC event.

- ii. Players must participate in the USAU College Series or be rostered and actively participating on a USAU Club team during the year of the WUGC event.
- iii. Exceptions to this rule may only be granted by the USAU Competition Working Group.

E. Masters Divisions

- a. A team's players must be on that team's roster for the USAU Masters Series the year prior to and/or the year of the WUGC.
- b. The Masters teams may add up to five (5) additional players before the final team roster is due to the USAU. (Additional Masters players must meet WFDF's Masters Team guidelines for age requirements.) These players are not subject to the roster limits set forth in a. (above).
- c. Any further roster requests, changes, or additions are subject to USAU approval.
- d. If a USAU member plays in WUGC with a team and does not meet requirements A or B or receive USAU approval for participation at WUGC, that member is barred from participating in USAU events following that year's WUGC and will be subject to further sanctions.

Residency Requirements:

- A. USAU adheres to the National Team eligibility requirements set forth by WFDF, with the following additional restrictions:
 - a. Players are deemed to be eligible if they own a U.S. passport or equivalent legal document issued by the U.S. government.
 - b. The U.S. team may have up to 3 players on the roster who are deemed to be "Resident non-citizens". These "resident non-citizen" players must:
 - i. Own a legal certificate of permanent residency issued by the U.S. government; or
 - ii. Have resided in the U.S. at least 2 years prior to the start date of the event and spent more than 75% of those 2 years in the country.

Selection Criteria

Team members will be selected by the Coaches based on the following factors: level of skill, experience (including in the division they will be representing), spirit, dedication to the sport, and ability to be strong teammates and ambassadors for USA Ultimate. Geographic diversity of the team and will also be taken into consideration. The goal is to reward players who demonstrate exceptional talent and skill and to encourage them to aspire to higher levels of play. This is a showcase for the quality of Ultimate played in the US.