Double Mini and Tumbling World Championships

Selection Criteria

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this document is to set out the process and criteria that will be used by the World Games Program of Gymnastics Canada to select athletes and coaches to the 2026 FIG Trampoline Gymnastics World Championships with the goal of selecting the best possible athletes to help meet the objectives of the program.

The competition will take place in Nanjing, CHINA from November 5-8, 2026.

1.1 Objectives

The process has been developed to identify athletes who will perform at the 39th FIG Trampoline Gymnastics World Championships. Additionally, they have demonstrated the ability to make a significant contribution towards the achievement of the following performance objectives:

Tumbling	Double-Mini
• both teams to the team final • 3 semi-finalist • 1 finalist	• both teams to the team final • 4 semi-finalists • 2 finalists

1.2 Delegation Size

Team Canada will submit a maximum of four (4) male and four (4) female athletes in both disciplines.

The Canadian DMT & TUM delegation for this competition will be composed of:

- Up to sixteen (16) competing Athletes;
- World Games National Team Advisor or One (1) team lead
- Two (2) team coaches
- Up to five (5) Personal Coaches;
- Up to one (1) Team IST;
- World Games Program Manager or one (1) team manager; and
- Up to two (2) judges as required by FIG.

1.3 Financial Considerations

This competition will be fully self-funded and a cost-share for support staff will be included.

1.4 Key Dates

March 12-15, 2026	Elite Canada	Markham, ON
May 21-24, 2026	Canadian Championships	Oshawa, ON
June 19-23, 2026	Virtual Trials	Virtual
July 2, 2026	National Team Named	Virtual
July 4-5, 2026	Portugal World Cup	Coimbra, POR
July 10, 2026	Worlds Team Nomination (Internal)	Virtual
November 5-8, 2026	FIG Trampoline Gymnastics World Championships	Nanjing , China

2.0 DECISION MAKING AUTHORITY

GymCan Staff, in consultation with the TUM/DMT Program Working Group and Program Sub-Committee are responsible for developing and approving the selection process and procedures for this competition. The process incorporates feedback submitted by the Tumbling & DMT coaches via survey prior to its final publication.

2.1 TUM & DMT Sub-Committee

The selection of the athletes and coaches will be the responsibility of the TUM & DMT Sub-Committee. The TUM/DMT Sub-Committee may choose to appoint one observer to the process for developmental purposes.

2.2 Decision Making on Site

GymCan will appoint a Team Event Leader (World Games National Team Advisor or World Games Program Manager) to provide direction to the Canadian delegation at the competition. They will consult with Team and personal coaches but will ultimately have decision-making authority over the Canadian delegation.

For any situation requiring a medical opinion (injury or illness), the Lead IST on site will provide their professional recommendation to the Team Event Leader, who will collaborate with the team and personal coach to make the final decision.

3.0 ELIGIBILITY

3.1 Athletes

Athletes are eligible for selection to the Team provided that they:

1) are born in the years 2009 and before;
2) are a Canadian Citizen and have a passport that is valid until at least **June 30, 2027**;
3) are members of the Senior National Team;
4) are in compliance with all relevant GymCan, FIG requirements for eligibility including possessing a valid FIG license with an expiry date no earlier than **November 30, 2026**;
5) are a member in good standing with GymCan and their respective PTO;
6) have read, understood, and accepted the selection process and the conditions associated with the selection for this competition, and they have completed the commitment form (Section 11.0);
7) have complied in all respects with the Anti-Doping Rules of the International Gymnastics Federation (FIG), the Canadian Anti-Doping Program ("CADP") and the Anti-Doping Rules of any other Anti-Doping Organization that has authority over them, and must not be serving a period of ineligibility for an anti-doping rule violation;
8) are or will be in compliance with the vaccination policies and requirements of FIG and the host country of the event (if applicable);
9) are not subject to any suspension or disqualification imposed by GymCan or any other authority that has jurisdiction over them, including the Canadian Safe Sport Program;
10) complete and sign CSSP Safe Sport e-learning module and Consent Form; and
11) Complete all assigned tasks within the One Badge platform.

3.2 Coaches

Coaches are eligible for selection provided that they:

1) are a Canadian Citizen and have a passport that is valid until at least **June 30, 2027**;
2) are 18 years of age or older;
3) are the coach associated with one of the team athletes on a regular basis;
4) have read, understood, and accepted the selection process and the conditions associated with the selection for this competition, and they have completed the commitment form (Section 11.0);
5) take part in all planned activities related to these Championships and in all GymCan promotional activities associated with these activities unless exempted by the WG GymCan Staff;
6) have agreed to be subject to and abide by all GymCan policy and procedures and its code of ethics;
7) are in compliance with all relevant GymCan, FIG, requirements for eligibility including possessing a valid FIG license with an expiry date no earlier than **November 30, 2026**;
8) are a coach in good standing with GymCan and their respective PTO and have fulfilled GymCan's risk management requirements;
9) Comply in all respects with the Anti-Doping Rules of the FIG, the CADP and the Anti-Doping Rules of any other Anti-Doping Organization that has authority over them, and must not be serving a period of ineligibility for an anti-doping rule violation;
10) are or will be in compliance with-the vaccination policies and requirements of FIG, and the host country of the event (if applicable);
11) are not subject to any suspension or disqualification imposed by GymCan or any other authority that has jurisdiction over them, including the Canadian Safe Sport Program (CSSP);
12) complete and sign Safe Sport e-learning module and Consent Form; and
13) Complete all assigned tasks within the OneBadge platform.

4.0 ATHLETE SELECTION PROCESS

4.1 Qualifying Standards

The Qualifying Standards were defined by the results of the 38th World Trampoline Championships (2025) held in Pamplona, Spain.

The Qualifying Standards can be found in this document and will be posted to the World Games microsite**. (in progress)**

4.2 Eligible Competitions

Eligible Competitions for Senior athletes include:

- 2025 World Championships (November, 2025)
- Elite Canada (Markham, ON – March 12-15th, 2026)
- Canadian Championships (Oshawa, ON – May 21-24th, 2026)
- Virtual Trials (June, 2026)
- Portugal World Cup (July, 2026)

4.3 Virtual Trials

GymCan will hold a Virtual Trial between June 19-23rd, 2026.

All relevant details will be shared with High Performance Athletes and Coaches, no later than **April 15, 2026.**

The following athletes will be invited to attend the Trials in the following order of priority:

1. All athletes ranked 1-8 on the 2026 Senior National Team Ranking list;
2. Any 2025 World Championship Team members not ranked in the top 8 on the 2026 National Team Ranking list;
3. Any athletes attaining the Performance Score twice from any eligible competition between November 2025 to June 1, 2026;

4.4 Ranking List

All athletes will have a ranking score calculated using the following calculations. Of the three (3) targeted domestic trials (listed below):

- 2026 Elite Canada
- 2026 Canadian National Championships
- 2026 Virtual Trial

The sum of:

A. National Team Ranking Score
B. The Highest Scoring Pass (not already counting towards the National Team Ranking Score from one of the two (2) domestic National Trials or the Virtual Trial).

Any International scores from a GymCan approved event (from the event calendar on pg 1) can only be used to fulfill one of the above criteria (Substitution Score).

4.5 Selection Criteria

The team will be selected in order of priority until the team of four (4) athletes is filled:

1. Up to three (3) athletes, in rank order, who have met the World Championships standards.
2. Up to one (1) athlete, in rank order, who has met the Performance score three (3) times as well as the World Standard once (1);
3. If the team is not filled by the above two (2) criteria, an athlete who has earned an individual medal at the most recent World Championships or World Games will be appointed, if they have shown competition readiness and have been verified eight (8) weeks prior to the event;
4. Should any spots remain following item 1 and 2, the team will be filled by athletes who have met the World Standard in rank order.
5. Should any quota spots remain after following criteria 1-4, the SWG may appoint athlete(s) to the team. A Senior national team athlete(s) would be appointed based on: the athlete with the single highest scoring pass may be appointed.

The TUM/DMT Sub-Committee will identify a minimum of two (2) non-traveling reserve athletes. The reserves will be ranked by the greatest sum of their three (3) highest scoring passes and must be Senior National Team members.

The reserve athlete(s) will not travel with the team to the Championships, unless otherwise noted. It is mandatory for these athletes to participate in team preparation activities.

Tie Break: If ties occur, selection will be decided based on the following:

- based on order of ranking;
- based on highest Q1

4.5 Athlete Verification

Verification of athletes will be on-going until the date of departure for the competition. Athletes and coaches will be notified in advance of verifications, and they will receive the specific expectations for each athlete. At the time of verification, the athlete must not be injured or ill, in a way which prevents them from competing at the level expected of an athlete preparing for the competition.

Verification for all team members (including named reserves):

- Provide GymCan with World Championships individual training plan and planned competition routines.
- Weekly video submissions (starting 8 weeks prior to departure)
- Completion of a virtual mock meet
- Attend all event-specific meetings three (3)

Verification for criteria three (3) from section 4.5 will be as follows:

- Verification will be completed eight (8) weeks prior to departure
- Verification will be based on two (2) virtual mock meets
- Verification will be achieved if the athlete can demonstrate World Team Standards in either mock meet.
- Verification is also dependent on all other team expectations

Athletes who choose not to participate in verification will be withdrawn from the event.

4.6 Athlete Nomination and Substitution

Following the athlete selection, the following conditions must be met until the day of departure for the athlete to remain on the team:

1) the athlete is still eligible for selection; and
2) the athlete is healthy and able to compete;
3) the athlete is able to perform at the level that warranted their selection.

An athlete who is no longer eligible for selection will be substituted with a reserve athlete.

The Sub-Committee may substitute an athlete up until ten (10) business days prior to team travel to China which will be approximately **October 16th, 2026** if:

1) the athlete is unable to meet the previously communicated expectations stated for the verification; and/or
2) they fail to provide the required information in case of illness or injury as stated in Section 4.8.

The Sub-Committee has the authority to keep on the team an athlete who is slightly injured by the Nominative Registration deadline if:

3) the athlete and their coach complied with the steps and deadlines in Section 4.8; and
4) the members have gotten written confirmation from the Lead IST that the athlete will have recovered and be ready to compete before departure for the competition at the level that warranted selection.

Failure to meet one of the above conditions as assessed by the GymCan Staff may result in the athlete being replaced by the non-travelling reserve. Any substitution for one of the reasons mentioned above will be dealt with by the SWG. Substitution will occur with the reserve athlete, in rank order, if they meet the conditions mentioned above.

If based on the above, an athlete cannot participate in a competition due to injury or other unforeseen circumstance then the GymCan Staff, in consultation with the athletes, team coach(es), the personal coaches, and IST member, will determine if a substitute or reserve member of the team should replace that athlete. If time permits, and it is deemed to be beneficial for the team a change will be made to the official coaching staff for the team.

4.8 Injuries or Illness

An athlete injured or ill at any time after Trials in any way that negatively impacts the quality of their performances during training or a verification must provide an official medical report/certificate to GymCan Staff as set out below.

Step 1 The athlete and their club's head coach must inform GymCan Staff by email, with acknowledgement or a read receipt **within 72 hours**, if their athlete is injured or ill in a way that will jeopardize their participation or the quality of their performances at competition and must provide the following information in writing:

i. date when the injury/illness occurred;
ii. means taken to have the injury/illness evaluated by a physician or other specialist; and
iii. date at which a written detailed report will be provided to GymCan.

Step 2 The athlete and their club's head coach must provide the following typewritten information **within 5 business days following step 1**:

i. detailed nature of the injury (documented by a medical doctor, not by a therapist) including whether this is a new, an overuse, or a chronic injury;
ii. ability to pursue full training and to compete, as recommended by the physician or medical specialist;
iii. recovery/rehabilitation measures;
iv. recommendation(s) about pursuing training and ability to train and/or compete as expected; and
v. expected date for return to partial (specify) and complete training.

The coach must provide a written report stating the nature and the amount of training the athlete will do each week for the next four weeks following the injury (or shorter period, if applicable based on competition dates).

It is not acceptable for any athlete to arrive at a camp or competition with an unreported injury, regardless of when the injury occurred. If a condition is pre-existing, GymCan Staff should be notified in advance of travelling. Failure to immediately report injuries or significant illnesses to GymCan may result in NT status being withdrawn.

4.9 On-Site Verification and Selection for Team Final

In order to compete in qualifications, athletes must show their planned routines in one (1) or more training sessions at World Championships.

Selection to Compete in Team Final Round (If Applicable):

The decision of which athletes will compete in the Team Final Round will be made following the conclusion of the Qualifying Round at World Championships by the World Games National Team Advisor (NTA) , World Games Program Manager (PM) or designated on-site team lead in collaboration with the Team coach of the discipline.

Performance in qualification and past results will be taken into consideration to pick the best team for Canada for podium performance.

No athlete, regardless of ranking is guaranteed to compete in the Team Final Round.

Considerations:

- Highest scoring passes from the entire season
- International scores
- Level of preparation at Worlds
- Performance in Qualifications at Worlds

5.0 COACH SELECTION PROCESS

5.1 Quota Places

Coach Registration Limits, Team Coaches and Field of Play Access:

- Up to eight (8) coaches for World Championships; this will be allocated on a pro-rate basis determined by the number of athletes attending.

5.2 Lead and Team Coach Requirements

The Sub-Committee will confirm the selection of the coaches at the same time as the athletes. Coaches must meet the eligibility as set out above (Section 3.2) and the requirements set out within the National Team Handbook. Lead and Team Coach nominations will take the following into consideration:

1) Experience and performance in international competitions
2) Ability to work well in a team setting, to work well with other team coaches, and to contribute to team cohesion.
3) Ability to identify and resolve potential team issues related to the management of the team on the floor as they arise.
4) Ability and willingness to communicate openly and in a constructive manner with members of the delegation.
5) Ability to manage stress and support the needs of team members in high pressure situations.
6) Must be N.C.C.P Level 4 or Competition 4 Certified

5.3 Personal Coach Quota Allocation

The remaining quota spots will be allocated to personal coaches (must be min C3 certified) and will be nominated by name. The named personal coach will be the coach who is listed on the athletes' 2026 TG World Championships intent forms.

For the 5 remaining quota coaching allocations, personal coach selection will be based on the point system listed below for a minimum of two (2) per discipline

- DMT (M&W):1st place = 4 points
- DMT(M&W): 2nd place = 3 points
- DMT(M&W): 3rd place = 2 points
- DMT (M&W): 4th place = 1 point

TUM (M&W): 1st place = 4 points
TUM (M&W): 2nd place = 3 points
TUM (M&W): 3rd place = 2 points
TUM (M&W): 4th place = 1 point

-DMT/TUM Reserves = 0 points, even if the athlete is called up to compete

- Tie Break:

1) The coach with the highest number of athletes on the team
2) The coach with the athlete who has surpassed the Worlds Team Score by the highest total from the ranking list (Q1 total – World Championships Standard = Total)

5.4 SUBSTITUTION OF A COACH

Substitution of a coach with another coach may take place if one of the following situations occurs:

1) a coach no longer has an athlete on the team.
2) a coach is not meeting the expectations associated with the roles, responsibilities, and tasks of a coach as assessed by GymCan Staff.
3) a coach has missed scheduled activities - including meetings and related GymCan promotional activities during the preparation camps unless exempted by GymCan Staff.

Substitution is possible within the parameters set by the FIG, and GymCan.

6.0 TEAM ANNOUNCEMENT

The official announcement of team selection is the responsibility of GymCan. All internal verbal or written communication to athletes, coaches, or member associations regarding team selection is considered an "unofficial notice" and is NOT for public distribution. Official notice of team selection occurs when GymCan provides a formal public "release" announcing the team selection.

7.0 APPEALS AND MODIFICATION TO THE PROCESS

7.1 Appeal Procedure

Appeals against any decisions rendered under this Selection Process must be filed in accordance with GymCan's Appeal Policy.

The request must be made no more than two working days following the internal Team announcement.

Notwithstanding the above, the parties may also agree to resolve the matter using the Early Resolution Facilitation services offered by the Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada ("**SDRCC**").

Alternatively, GymCan and the Appellant may agree to bypass the internal appeal procedure and have the appeal heard directly before the SDRCC.

7.2 Modification to the Process

The GymCan staff, in consultation with the World Games Sub-Committee, reserves the right to make changes to this document to ensure the identification of the best delegation possible for the competition in case of:

1) A major change to the information provided by FIG;
2) unforeseen circumstances beyond the control of GymCan; and / or
3) a situation which impacts any step of the selection process and prevents the Sub-Committee from fairly applying the process as written.

The Sub-Committee may take into consideration any factor or circumstance they deem relevant. Any changes to this document must be endorsed by the High-Performance Director (HPD) of GymCan and will be communicated (within 3 business days) directly to the coaches and athletes involved in the process. This clause shall not be used to justify changes after a competition or trials which formed part of these Internal Nomination Procedures unless it is related to an unforeseen circumstance.

This is to allow for changes to this document that may become necessary due to a typographical error or a lack of clarity in a definition or wording before it has an impact on athletes.

7.3 Unforeseen Circumstances

In situations where unforeseen circumstances do not allow the Team selection criteria to be fairly and objectively applied, GymCan Staff and the GymCan HPD will rule on an appropriate course of action.

8.0 DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES

Failure to comply with FIG and/or GymCan rules, regulations, policies, or directives will be addressed by the GymCan staff and/or the GymCan CEO who will follow with proper action or sanction before, during and/or after the competition.

The nature and extent of the infraction will determine the severity of the sanction. In each case, a due and fair investigation will be conducted and an opportunity for defense offered to the respondent(s).

Sanctions could include but are not limited to: verbal warning or reprimand, written warning or reprimand, suspension from some team functions or activities during the competition, and early return to Canada.

After the competition, sanctions could include but are not limited to: written warning, written reprimand, suspension of international representation/ participation on behalf of Canada, National Team benefits and services, and suspension of access to athlete or NTA, coaching or judging support.

9.0 QUALIFYING STANDARDS

- Score and Difficulty must be met in Q1.
- Scores include Canadian bonus.
- National and Worlds Team scores and DD are based on a 2-pass total
- Performance score is based on 1 pass (form any round)

Standards	National Team	World Team	Performance
DMT Women	48.2 / 11.2	49.4 / 12.0	26.8 / 7.6
DMT Men	52.4 / 15.6	53.5 / 16.0	30 / 10.8
TUM Women	43.2 / 8.6	44.5 / 8.7	25.3 / 6.5
TUM Men	46.0 / 11.6	47.6 / 12.4	27.1 / 9.3