



Puerto Rico National Junior Surfing Team Selection Policy

ISA World Junior Surfing Championships

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1.0 OBJECTIVES:

- To select the best athletes and support staff, to represent Puerto Rico at the International Surfing Association (ISA), World Junior Surfing Championships.
- To provide a clear criteria for athletes who strive toward being selected to represent their country.

2.0 NATIONAL SELECTION PANEL:

The National selection panel for the National Junior Surfing Team will comprise of:

- National Coach (Chair)
- Technical Director Manager
- State Coaching Directors (district representatives)

3.0 ELIGIBILITY FOR NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION:

To be eligible for selection in the National Team, athletes must:

- Be an citizen of Puerto Rico with a valid United States passport
- Be a registered member of the Puerto Rico Surfing Federation or it's affiliates Clubs.
- Be of the correct age to fulfill the ISA entry requirements for the U/16 girls, U/16 boys, U/18 girls and U/18 boys divisions .
- Athlete's ages are taken from the 1st of January of the year of the International competition.
- Comply in all respects with the drugs policy of ISA and the WADA Code

- Not be subject to any suspension or disqualification imposed by the FSPR or other surfing authority having jurisdiction over the Athlete or the competition.
 - Have participated at some point in the Puerto Rico National Surfing Circuit
- maintain a 2.5 average and excellent conduct at school or educational program.

4.0 The Puerto Rico Junior Surfing Team:

The format of the National Junior Surfing Team to compete at the ISA World Junior Surfing Championships:

Team Support Staff will be made up of the following:

- 1 x Head Coach
- 1 x Manager
- Female Chaperone (if neither coach nor manager is female)

5.0 Selection Criteria:

5.1 A surfer will be selected into the National Junior Surfing Team by the National Selection Panel at an annual meeting to take place immediately following the National Junior Circuit.

5.2 Selection will be guided by the surfers' performances (Rankings) at key competitions as outlined in point 6.

5.3 In the case that a decision on selection cannot be agreed upon by the panel, the final selection will be at the sole discretion of the National Coach.

5.4 Team Size:

DIVISION	JUNIOR MEN	JUNIOR WOMEN
U16	4	2
U18	4	2
TOTAL	8	4

6.0 Events:

Results and rankings in events that will be considered include:

U/18 Boys	U/18 Girls
National Junior Surfing Tour	National Junior Surfing Tour
Most recent ISA WJSC	Most recent ISA WJSC
Juegos de Puerto Rico	Juegos de Puerto Rico
Junior Surfing Series	Junior Surfing Series
U/16 Boys	U/16 Girls
National Junior Surfing Tour	National Junior Surfing Tour
Most recent ISA WJSC	Most recent ISA WJSC
Juegos de Puerto Rico	Juegos de Puerto Rico
Junior Surfing Series	Junior Surfing Series

Note: It is not compulsory for surfers to enter ALL the events listed above to be considered for selection into the Puerto Rico team. It is up to the discretion of each surfer to choose events that they feel most accommodates their career goals and aspirations.

7.0 Team Support Staff:

7.1 Selection of National Team Coaches is at the sole discretion of the National Coach; provided they meet the following accreditation standard:

- Hold a current ISA Level 2 coaching accreditation.

7.2 If neither coach nor manager selected is female, a female chaperone will be taken as part of the team. This role is to be selected by the National Coach

8.0 Injury:

8.1 In the case of a selected Team Puerto Rico member incurring injury or incapacity to compete at the highest level in the lead up to the World Junior Surfing Championships the athlete will be required to pass a medical screening and fitness test conducted by FSPR medical staff.

8.2 In relation to fitness, the determination of the Team Puerto Rico medical staff is final

9.0 Appeals:

- Decisions made by the Selection Panel for athletes and team coaches are final, there is no right of appeal.

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