# Lakeshore Foundation COACH SELECTION PROCEDURES

# 2016 Rio Paralympic Games Wheelchair Rugby

April 6, 2016

These procedures provide for selection of Lakeshore Foundation Coach(es), one (1) Head Coach and up to three (3) Assistant Coaches, for the 2016 Rio Paralympic Games. However, accreditation allocation is not guaranteed and the number of Coach positions will be based on final USOC credential allocation and overall team size.

1. What are the NGB's/HPMO's criteria for Coach positions (attach a job description, if any)?

## Coaches must:

- 1.1. Successfully pass the National Center for Safety Initiatives' (NCSI) background screen in accordance with the current USOC Games Background Check Policy prior to nomination.
  - 1.1.1. Should a nominee experience any event between the time the background check is conducted and the relevant Games that may change his/her background check status, the nominee must inform the NGB/HPMO and/or USOC.
- 1.2. Possess a valid passport that does not expire until at least six months after the conclusion of the Games.
- 1.3. Be available for entire duration of the Games.
- 1.4. Be in good health and able to withstand the physical rigors of traveling with and working with the Team.
- 1.5. At least two years experience coaching wheelchair rugby on a national level within the preceding five years.
- 1.6. At least one year experience coaching wheelchair rugby at an international level within the preceding eight years.
- 1.7. Proven ability to establish harmonious relationships with athletes and other team personnel.
- 1.8. Comprehensive understanding and knowledge of the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) and International Wheelchair Rugby Federation (IWRF) rules and regulations that will govern wheelchair rugby at the Paralympic Games.
- 2. Describe the process that candidates should follow to express interest in being considered for a Coach position:

Lakeshore Foundation and USA Wheelchair Rugby (USAR) will post the Coach Selection Procedures at <a href="www.lakeshore.org">www.lakeshore.org</a> and <a href="www.usawr.org">www.usawr.org</a>. Lakeshore Foundation will not solicit applications, as individuals have already been identified through their work during the quadrennial with the USAWR team.

- 3. Describe the intended method of identifying the pool and selecting the candidates to be considered for Coach position(s):
  - A. All candidates meeting the minimum requirements have already been identified through their work during the quadrennial with the USAWR team.
  - B. Selecting the candidate(s) who best fit the job description for Coach:

## Head Coach

The current USAWR Team Head Coach will be nominated to this position.

# **Assistant Coach**

The Head Coach will recommend Assistant Coach(es). Assistant Coach(es) must meet all of the criteria listed in Section 1 above.

## 4. Describe the removal of a Coach:

An individual who is to be nominated as a Coach by the NGB/HPMO may be removed as a nominee for any of the following reasons, as determined by the NGB/HPMO:

- 4.1. Voluntary withdrawal. Coach nominee must submit a written letter to the NGB/HPMO Executive Director/CEO/President.
- 4.2. Injury or illness as certified by a physician (or medical staff) approved by the NGB/HPMO. If the individual refuses verification of his/her illness or injury by a physician (or medical staff) approved by the NGB/HPMO, his/her injury will be assumed to be disabling and he/she may be removed.
- 4.3. Inability to perform the duties required.
- 4.4. Violation of the NGB's/HPMO's Code of Conduct (Attachments A & B).

Once a Coach nomination is accepted by the USOC, the USOC has jurisdiction over the Coach, at which time, in addition to any applicable NGB/HPMO Code of Conduct, the USOC's Code of Conduct and Grievance Procedures apply. The USOC's Code of Conduct and Grievance Procedures can be found at: <a href="http://www.teamusa.org/Athlete-Resources/Athlete-Ombudsman">http://www.teamusa.org/Athlete-Resources/Athlete-Ombudsman</a>

# 5. Describe the replacement of a Coach:

In the event that a Nominated Coach is unable to perform the duties of Coach due to injury, illness, Code of Conduct violation or any other unforeseen circumstances that would result in the need to replace him/her, the replacement candidate must meet all of the criteria listed in #1 above and, if applicable, come from the pool of candidates described in #3 above.

6. Which group/committee will make the final approval for the Coaches?

All Coach(es) will be approved by: Jeff Underwood, President, Lakeshore Foundation Beth Curry, Chief Programs Officer (CPO), Lakeshore Foundation Katie Holloway, AAC Athlete Representative, USOC

## 7. Conflict of Interest:

Any individual who is being considered for a Coach position or has any other conflict of interest and is involved in the selection process must disclose this information, recuse him or herself and not influence others regarding the discussions, meetings or decisions involving selection of the Coach.

#### 8. Date of Nomination:

The Games Staff Nomination Form with the nominated Coach(es) name(s), including names of any replacements (if applicable), will be submitted to the USOC on or before:

April 30, 2016

9. Publicity/Distribution of Procedures:

The USOC approved selection procedures (complete and unaltered) will be posted/published by the NGB/HPMO in the following locations:

- 9.1. Web site: <a href="www.lakeshore.org">www.lakeshore.org</a> and <a href="www.usawr.org">www.usawr.org</a>
  These procedures will be posted as soon as possible, but not more than five days following notice of approval by the USOC.
- 9.2. Other (if any): N/A

Position	Print Name	Signature	Date
NGB/HPMO President or CEO/Executive Director	top Unearto	Sylfadara.	4.13.14
USOC Athletes' Advisory Council Representative*	Katie Holloway	Katic Holler	3/31/2016

<sup>\*</sup> If the USOC AAC Representative has delegated authority to the Alternate AAC Representative to sign the Selection Procedures, attach a letter from the AAC Representative indicating the reason he/she has delegated authority.

<sup>\*</sup> Signature by the Athlete Representative constitutes that he/she has read and understands the Selection Procedures. If the Athlete Representative reads and does not agree with the Selection Procedures being submitted by the NGB/HPMO, he/she may submit those reasons in writing to his/her Sport Performance Team.

<sup>\*</sup> If, for some reason, a sport does not have an elected USOC AAC Representative, the NGB/HPMO must designate an athlete from that sport to review and sign the Selection Procedures.