

## 2024.10 Team Selection Discretion Execution

(In response to the Oct 9, 2024 proposal from HP team)

Regarding the Pan American Championships scheduled for November 19-24 in Santiago, Chile.

### SUMMARY

- USA Climbing must prioritize athletes close or who have the potential to earn top 40 or win the discipline with this last remaining international start at Pan Ams that will count toward the CUWR. This effort is to earn additional quota for next year's World Cup season and the World Championships. Pending the result of the Seoul (B, L, S) WC, we will have a good understanding of which athletes fit within the above criteria and prioritize those with the best chances.
- The registration of interest deadline is October 22nd for the Pan Am Championships.
- 5 quota in each discipline/gender is allowed for the Pan Am Championships.

### PROCESS DESCRIPTION

- VP of Sport will review the CUWR with the TSC to determine which athletes should receive starts for the Pan Am Championships.
- First to highest performing National Team members while USA Climbing maintains priority use of the first quota spot by way of discretion and according to the criteria above.
- Second to Development Team members who need to maintain their top 40 or are close to earning top 40 in a discipline that is at risk (i.e. men's lead and boulder, etc.) based on the CUWR at the conclusion of Seoul's WC.
- Third to those who have priority status from their performance during the 2024 WC season.
- Fourth to those who have priority status from the exceptional circumstance created in Briancon within the lead discipline.
- Fifth to any remaining quota by way of rank order of their respective team.

### PROPOSAL

Competition Start priority proposal for Pan Ams

1. USA Climbing activate 1<sup>st</sup> discretionary quota if necessary to fulfill bullet 3 below.
2. National Team members by way of their National Team ranking
3. Athletes just inside or outside of the top 40 CUWR should be given a priority start to Pan Ams and based on their current CUWR ranking for two reasons:
  - World Cup quota
  - World Championship quota
  - World Championship quota roll down potential
4. Development Team members in the following order:
  - Any with remaining performance priority status, then
  - Any with exceptional priority status because of Briancon in the Lead discipline, then
  - By way of their National Development Team ranking.

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### Boulder

- For men boulder, we have safely secured 2 athletes in the top 40 in 20<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> places.
- Our next highest ranked athlete sits in 46<sup>th</sup> place and needs 64 pts (equivalent to 11<sup>th</sup> place at Pan Ams) to get into the top 40
- Following we have another athlete sitting in 56<sup>th</sup> place needing 164 pts (must win Pan Ams) to get into the top 40. Even if this athlete was not successful in winning Pan Ans, earning a higher CUWR makes them more likely to receive a roll down quota for World Championships.
- **Boulder Men Competition Start - priority order:**
  - a. **(first Comp Start via TSD) Athlete at CUWR 46.**
  - b. **NT in order of NTR**
  - c. **NDT with CUWR 56th first, then remaining NDT using priority outlined in (4) above**
- For women boulder, we have 4 athletes currently in the top 40 with 3 of them safely secured in 1<sup>st</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 11<sup>th</sup>.
- The 4<sup>th</sup> athlete in the top 40 currently sits in 38<sup>th</sup> place and needs additional CUWR to maintain their top 40 ranking
- A 5<sup>th</sup> athlete sits in 41<sup>st</sup> place and needs 16 pts (equivalent to 26<sup>th</sup> place at Pan Ams) to get into the top 40. While this athlete may appear not a priority it is helpful to have more athletes at an event to increase our chances of top 40 ranking.
- **Boulder Women Competition Start - priority order:**
  - a. **(first Comp Start via TSD) Athlete at CUWR 38.**
  - b. **NT in order of NTR**
  - c. **NDT with CUWR 41th first, then remaining NDT using priority outlined in (4) above**

### Lead

- For men lead, we have safely secured 1 athlete in the top 40 in 12<sup>th</sup> place.
- For women lead, we have safely secured 2 athletes in the top 40 in 5<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> places.
- No athletes outside of the top 40 have a chance at earning top 40 ranks but increased ranking still serves a purpose of making them eligible for roll down quota at World Championships. Those athletes should be prioritized based on their current CUWR ranking for the starts at Pan Ams.
- *[addition info from John regarding the CUWRs to be prioritized: Men CUWRs 65 and 69; Women CUWR 55 and 69]*
- **Lead Men Competition Start - priority order:**
  - **(first Comp Start via TSD) Athlete at CUWR 65.**
  - **NT in order of NTR**
  - **NDT with CUWR 69th first, then remaining NDT using priority outlined in (4) above**
- **Lead Women Competition Start - priority order:**
  - **(first Comp Start via TSD) Athlete at CUWR 55.**
  - **NT in order of NTR**
  - **NDT with CUWR 69th first, then remaining NDT using priority outlined in (4) above**

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### Speed

- For men speed, we have 5 athletes in the top 40 with 3 of them safely secure in 1<sup>st</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, and 19<sup>th</sup> places.
- Our next highest ranked athletes sit in 38<sup>th</sup> and 40<sup>th</sup> places and need additional points to maintain their top 40 ranking
- Next is an athlete sitting in 45<sup>th</sup> place needing 158 pts (equivalent to 2<sup>nd</sup> at Pan Ams) to get into the top 40
- For women speed, we have safely secured 4 athletes in the top 40 in 5<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup> places. As such, competition starts should be according to bullets 2 and 4 above.
- **Speed Men Competition Start - priority order:**
  - (first Comp Start via TSD) Athlete at CUWR 38.
  - NT in order of NTR
  - NDT with CUWR 40th first, then remaining NDT using priority outlined in (4) above
- **Speed Women Competition Start - priority order:**
  - (first Comp Start via TSD) <none>
  - NT in order of NTR
  - NDT using priority outlined in (4) above

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