# 2019 Winter Nationals Oualification Criteria and Team Selections

December 17-22

## **Team and Squad selections**

- a. 2020 Spring FINA Grand Prix meets (criteria to follow)
- b. 2020 FINA World Cup

#### **Contested events**

- a. Individual Events: 1-meter, 3-meter, 10-meter (prelim, semifinal and finals)
- b. Synchro Events: 3-meter, 10-meter (prelims and finals)
- \*Divers may compete with up to two partners in each synchronized event.
- \*Cumulative scoring for all events will be used to determine selection rankings, National Champions and the advancement to each round.
- \*Neutral judges will be used.

**Entry deadline:** Registration will be done through Divemeets.com. Late fees will go into effect at 5 p.m. ET on Monday, December 2, 2019. Online registration will be available after 5 p.m. ET on Monday, December 2, 2019 until Thursday, December 5, 2019 at 5 p.m. ET. On-deck registrations will be allowed with a \$100 late fee plus a \$75 fee per event.

#### **ELIGIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE**

## Individual events/U.S. citizens

Divers must:

- a. Be a member in good standing of USA Diving
- b. Meet standards for eligibility to compete

#### Qualification criteria:

- a. 2019/20 High Performance Squad divers (Tier 1 & 2) will be eligible to compete in any event
- b. 2019 Junior Pan American Championship team members and 2018 Junior World Championship team members will be eligible to compete in the specific events they participated in at the Junior Pan American Championship and/or Junior World Championship.
- c. 2019 and 2020 Tier 3 divers will be eligible to compete at the 2019 Winter Nationals but must meet the following requirements:
  - 1) On springboard events, Tier 3 members must meet the minimum DD requirements to compete on 1-meter or 3-meter
  - 2) On platform, Tier 3 members must perform all dives from the 10-meter but do not need to meet the minimum DD requirement. However, no more than one voluntary dive for women and no more than two voluntary dives for men may be included in the diver's list.

- d. 2016 Olympic, 2017 World Championship, 2018 World Cup or 2019 World Championship team member.
- e. Additional divers will be eligible to compete in a specific event provided they have achieved the minimum score listed in Table 1 at one of the competitions listed in Table 2.
  - i. As a point of clarification, divers do not need to meet the minimum degree of difficulty when obtaining the qualifying score but must perform the minimum DD in the 2019 Winter Nationals.
  - ii. Divers at NCAA meets or in Group A (optionals only) at Junior Nationals do not need to perform all their dives on 10-meter when obtaining the necessary score on platform but must compete all dives from 10-meter in the 2019 Winter Nationals.
  - iii. If a Group A diver's score from the optional dives in the preliminary, semifinal or final at Junior Nationals meets the score in the table, the diver will be eligible for that event only. Divers do not have to meet the minimum degree of difficulty standards when they achieve the score.

#### Individual Events/Non-U.S. citizens

#### Divers must:

- a. Meet qualification criteria and standards for eligibility to compete
- b. Be a member in good standing of their home federation and have permission from their federation to compete. A request from the federation must be submitted to USA Diving's Chris Zukas (<a href="mailto:chris.zukas@usadiving.org">chris.zukas@usadiving.org</a>) for approval. All requests received by 5 p.m. ET on November 18 will receive full consideration for approval; any requests received after the deadline will be subject to review at USA Diving's discretion. Divers will be notified if their request is approved no later than November 21.

#### Qualification criteria:

- **a.** Divers will be eligible to compete in a specific event provided that they have achieved the minimum score in Table 1 at one of the following events:
  - i. 2018, 2019 NCAA Division I Zone, NCAA National Championship, or approved Conference Championships.
  - ii. Their home country's National Championship (2018, 2019)
  - iii. 2017, 2018, 2019 FINA competition (Grand Prix, World Series, World Championship, World Cup, or 2016 Olympic Games).
- **b.** If the score was achieved at a.) ii or iii above, the diver must submit proof of the score by 5 p.m. ET on November 18 to Chris Zukas, Director of Membership and Events (Chris.Zukas@usadiving.org).
- **c.** Points of Clarification
  - i. Divers do not need to meet the minimum degree of difficulty when obtaining the qualifying score but must perform the minimum DD in the 2019 Winter Nationals.

ii. Divers at NCAA meets do not need to perform all their dives on 10-meter when obtaining the necessary score on platform but must compete all dives from 10-meter at the 2019 Winter Nationals.

**Note:** International divers will be eligible to receive a place finish but would not displace a U.S. diver from making a cut or earning a medal. For example, if an international diver finishes third, the fourth-place finisher (or next placing athlete who is a U.S. citizen) will be awarded the bronze medal.

### Synchronized Events/ U.S. citizens

- a. Both divers must be citizens of the United States
- b. Both divers must be members in good standing of USA Diving
- c. Must meet minimum degree of difficulty standards for eligibility to compete

## Synchronized Events/Non-U.S. citizens

- a. Both divers must be citizens of the same country
- b. Both divers must have permission from their home federation to compete in our Winter Nationals. A request from the federation must be submitted to Chris Zukas, Director of Membership and Events (<a href="mailto:chris.zukas@usadiving.org">chris.zukas@usadiving.org</a>) for approval. All requests received by 5 p.m. ET on November 18, 2019 will receive full consideration for approval; any requests received after the deadline will be subject to review at USA Diving's discretion.
- c. Must meet minimum degree of difficulty standards for eligibility to compete.

**Note:** International divers would be eligible to receive a place finish but would not displace a U.S. team from making a cut or earning a medal. For example, if a team of international divers wins an event, the second-place team (or next placing team of U.S. citizens) will take the gold medal.

## STANDARDS FOR ELIGIBILITY

Table 1: Minimum qualifying score requirements for event eligibility 2019 Winter Nationals

Event	Women (USA Diving Events)	Women (NCAA Events)	Men (USA Diving Events)	Men (NCAA Events)
1-meter	235 (47/opt)	282 (48/opt)	318 (53/opt)	318 (53/opt)
3-meter	260 (52/opt)	312 (52/opt)	360 (60/opt)	360 (60/opt)
Platform	260 (52/opt)	260 (52/opt)	342 (57/opt)	342 (57/opt)

Table 2 Competitions at which a qualifying score may be achieved

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NCAA Division I Zone Championships (2018, 2019)			
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NCAA Division I Conference Championships (2018, 2019) *approved by HPD			
USA Diving National Qualifier (2018, 2019)			
USA Diving National or Junior National Championships (Junior group A and			
senior events) (2017, 2018, 2019)			
USA Diving Rising Stars Championships (2019)			
USA Diving Winter National Championships (2017)			
USA DIVING WILLET National Championships (2017)			

Table 3 Eligibility to compete/minimum degree of difficulty for individual events

USA Diving Winter Trials (2018)

Event	Women	Men
1-meter	11.9	15.9
3-meter	13.7	17.2
10-meter	13.3	17.1

Table 4 Eligibility to compete/minimum total degree of difficulty for synchronized events

Event	Women	Men
Synchronized 3-meter	12.3 (8.3 for optionals)	15.7 (11.7 for optionals)
Synchronized 10-meter	12.2 (8.2 for optionals)	15.9 (11.9 for optionals)