



## 2018 WAO Wildcard Application

Handler: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's PET name: \_\_\_\_\_ Circle height applying for: 600 / 500 / 400 / 300

Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

Please state how you are eligible to apply for a wildcard; for example, "Winner national final 2017" or "Competed at FCI AWC 2017")

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List all of your INTERNATIONAL competition experience with this dog (including results) from 2016 & 2017:  
(Please ONLY include the events WAO, EO, IFCS AWC, FCI AWC and FCI Championship of America)

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List all of your NATIONAL FINAL TOP THREE results from 2016 & 2017:  
(Please ONLY list top 3s at National Finals, no other results)

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Briefly state why you are not on your country's national team; for example, "was unable to attend tryouts due to injury", "had a bad tryout day", "was not selected". (This will be confirmed with the country manager.)

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Video Requirements: List the website address of the 1 run for the WAO selection committee to review:  
Please **copy these links into the email** text on submission of this form.

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DECLARATION. I accept and agree to be bound by World Agility Open Championships rules and regulations and the specific rules outlined to Wildcards in the Wildcard application document.

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/2018



## Submission Instructions

- **Make sure you have read 1.6 of the WAO rules (copied below) to ensure you are eligible to apply.**
- **If you are ineligible but apply anyway, a refund WILL NOT be issued. Please read below.**
- **Videos not meeting the requirement will be deemed an ineligible application. Please read below.**
- **The link to the video must be able to be copied & pasted into a web browser from the document you submit the application form in.**
- **The WAO selection committee will choose only dog and handler partnerships that they believe have demonstrated world class ability.**
- **Unless a dog has an existing WAO measurement, he will be officially measured at the 2018 event. If the dog measures too high for the height category entered, he will be excluded from competing in that height division. Entry into the higher height is not guaranteed. No refunds will be issued.**

### Video requirement.

The initial video submitted with this application must be from the event which enables you to apply for a wildcard. It must therefore be one of the following;

- If you ran at the WAO you must submit either your Biathlon Agility or Agility 1 or 2 from the Pentathlon
- If you ran at FCI AWC you must submit your Individual Agility Run
- If you were placed in the top 3 of a National final you must submit that run.
- If you ran at the EO you must submit your EO Individual final, if you did not run in the Final you must submit the Individual Qualifying Agility run.
- If you ran at the IFCS you must submit an individual Agility run from the event.

Please make sure the video is edited to under 45 seconds and shows only the run. Any link over 1 minute will NOT be viewed. Please submit the link for the run on YouTube or Vimeo

Send 1 copy of this application by email to: [info@worldagilityopen.com](mailto:info@worldagilityopen.com). Please state "Wildcard Application" in email subject field and copy the video link into the body of the email.

If you do not receive an acknowledgement of your application within 3 business days, please email the above address to confirm that we have received it – do NOT resend the application unless we request that you do so.

Within 1 business days of sending your application, send 10€ (euros) by PayPal to [info@worldagilityopen.com](mailto:info@worldagilityopen.com). Reference your name in the payment information. Applications received without payment will not be considered.

## Deadlines

All applications and fees must be received by day end on **28 February 2018 GMT**.  
The WAO will announce its decision by 13<sup>th</sup> March 2018.

## **WAO Rules**

### **Wildcard Entries**

The WAO Organizing Committee may select a maximum of 5 (five) dogs per jump height (in addition to the returning WAO medal winners and international champions from the previous year, as described in Section 1.5) to attend the event as individual competitors in the Pentathlon, Biathlon, and Games championship events.

Handlers who are applying for a wildcard spot must have entered their country's team try-out event. They were either not selected for the team or were unable to attend on the day of the try-out due to exceptional circumstances (to be determined by the WAO Organizing Committee). In addition, wildcard applicants must have demonstrated world-class potential by:

1. Placing in the top three of their country's National finals in the last two years;
2. Placing in the top three of another country's National finals; or
3. Representing their home country at an international event in the last two years.

If you are a competing member of a country's team with one dog, you cannot apply for a wildcard entry with another dog.

If you are offered a reserve/alternate spot on your country's team, you may apply as a wildcard entry. If, however, you apply as a wildcard and also accept the reserve spot, you are obligated to take the team spot if you are called in as a replacement. In that case, you cannot compete as a wildcard and any fees you have paid are forfeited. This does not apply if you do not accept the reserve spot on your team.

If you apply for your country's team with 2 (two) dogs and 1 (one) dog makes the team but 1 (one) dog does not, you cannot decline the team spot you earned to apply as a wildcard with another dog.

Handlers must complete the wildcard entry form and submit it to the WAO Organizing Committee by the Wildcard entry deadline (see the website) in order to be considered for a wildcard spot.

Once a wildcard entry is accepted by the WAO Organizing Committee, the handler has the right to join the country manager's Facebook page and attend the manager's meeting on Wednesday.

Wildcard competitors will run under the WAO flag and must wear a WAO uniform.