



Austrian Selection Guidelines for the WAO Championships 2025

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Team Austria 2025

The WAO-Team Austria is open to all dogs (purebred and mixed breeds) with minimum age of 18 month.

Dogs will be measured at WAO - if the dog will be measured to another height, it can only compete if there are less than 3 dogs in that height or if one of the handlers is willing to share his spot or WAO committee will agree to additional spot in that high.

Jump Height Name	Dog Height at Withers	Jump Height	A-Frame Height	Ascending Spread Length	Long Jump Length	Tyre Height at Centre
250	320mm & under	250mm	1.7m	215-235mm	500mm 2 boards	400mm
300	380mm & under	300mm	1.7m	260-280mm	600mm 2 boards	450mm
400	440mm & under	400mm	1.7m	350-370mm	800mm 3 boards	550mm
500	500mm & under	500mm	1.7m	440-460mm	1000mm 4 boards	650mm
600	Over 500mm	600mm	1.7m	530-550mm	1200mm 5 boards	750mm

Competitors must have permanent resident status in Austria, have a birth certificate from Austria or have parents or grandparents born in Austria.

If more than three dogs in a height are interested to sign in, there will be a selection run including a jumping and an agility run at the 18th of January 2025 in the Hundesportarena.

This selection runs will be held prior the official team meeting so the qualified & selected teams can take part at the team meeting. In Agility run the winner will be set for Pentathlon, in jumping for Biathlon. The other spots will be offered to handlers that the Team Manager believes could achieve success at the event. The Team Manager will have one spot (pentathlon, biathlon and games) in the team and can take part at the selection run on top. The Team Manager can split up that spot for different dogs. Every dog will run at least 3 runs during the whole competition.

If, due to Corona laws and regulations or other circumstances, no qualification can take place, the team will be selected at discretion of the team manager and approved by WAO.

WAO Junior World Championships

One junior handler in each height category is invited to compete for the WAO Junior World Championship. Juniors are handlers with date of birth on or after 1st of may 2006. The same rules as above apply to junior handlers.

Handlers under the age of 18 years old must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian, and these have to pay all expenses for the WAO as written above.

Costs

All expenses for the WAO, including but not limited to travel, accommodation, team clothing, entry fees etc. will be paid by the competitors. A deposit of € 100,00 per registered dog must be paid upon registration. This deposit covers a part of the costs but is non-refundable in the case a handler needs to cancel the event.

Competitors may be required to attend seminars, training days or promotional activities at an additional cost.

Costs of a non competing team manager, physiotherapist (dogs or humans) incl. traveling and accommodation will be split up to all team members.

Contact

If you are interested in participating, please send the following informations to the Austrian Team Manager - Cornelia Götzendorfer: cornelia@goetzendorfer.com **until 10th of september 2024.**

<u>Handler:</u>	<u>Dog:</u>
Name and last name	Name
Adress	Breed and sex
Telephone number & mail adress	Chipnumber
Date of birth	date of birth
Size of clothing	height in cm

Rules and preperation:

Team members have to take part at the team building weekend/training on 18th & 19th of January 2025 at Hundesportarena in Neuhofen an der Krems and at any event that will be held to collect money as sponsorship.

Team members have to be familiar with the WAO rule book (<http://www.worldagilityopen.com/rules.html>), selection guidelines and follow directions given by the WAO committee and team management.

Team members have to be at the venue from Tuesday day check in to the closing ceremony also if you are not competing one day. During the competition days you are representing Austria in your team clothing.