



2024 WORLD AGILITY CHAMPIONSHIP

Spanish Team

REQUIREMENTS FOR WAO:

- At the time of team selection, handlers must be a citizen of the country they represent, or have a birth certificate from that country, have parents or grandparents born in that country or have permanent resident status.
- Dogs must be the age of 18 months at the time of start of the competition.
- It is allowed the participation of agility competitors of other countries competing in recognized associations although these are eligible for trophies and can't cannot occupy a place on the selection or subtracted points to other Spanish competitors.

FÓRMULA FOR THE SELECTION OF THE SPANISH TEAM FOR WAO 2024:

Spanish team selection will take place in one qualified competition on 8, 9 y 10th December 2023 at the L`Almoraza agility club In Barcelona.

BIATHLON. CLASSIFICATION AND CRITERIA OF SCORES:

The selection of the 3 best teams per height to represent Spain at the event of Biathlon in the World agility Championship consist of a jumping round followed by an agility round.

Based on the scores of the jumping round , the 80% of the best results will advance to the agility round (they cannot be eliminated in jumping). The number of dogs that will advance to the agility round will be published before the start of the jumping round.

In case of a tie the following criteria will be the best score of the agility courses.

If still tied the team manager together with the committee will decide the team to be qualified.

PENTATHLON. CLASSIFICATION AND CRITERIA OF SCORES:

The Individual Pentathlon event will consist of 2 Agility courses, 2 Jumping courses, and an individual Speedstakes. The combined results from the five classes determine the classified.

Based on the scores after four rounds (2 agilitys + 2 jumpings), the 80% of the best results will advance to the Speedstakes round (they cannot be eliminated in these four rounds). The number of dogs that will advance to the speedstakes round will be published before the start of the competition.

There will be a standard course time and scoring is cumulative; faults (including time faults) are added to time, and the lowest score wins in all aspects of the Pentathlon.

An elimination in any Pentathlon class is 50 faults plus dogs that are eliminated will be given a course time of 50 seconds, regardless of the standard course time.

In case of a tie the following criteria will be rated by the best score of the speedstakes and if still tied it will consider the best scores obtained on Agility 2, followed by Jumping 2 , Agility 1 and Jumping 1 courses.

If still tied the team manager together with the committee will decide the team to be qualified

GAMES. CLASSIFICATION AND CRITERIA OF SCORES:

The qualifying for Games will consists of a Snooker round and a gamblers round. The combined results of the two classes will determine the three teams per height that will represent Spain in Games in WAO 2024.

Based on the scores of the Snooker round , only the 80% of the best results will advance to the Gamblers round (they cannot have cero points in the snooker round). The number of dogs that will advance to the gambler round will be published before the start of the competition.

Dogs with 0 points in any games course will get no points to be qualified.

In case of a tie the following criteria will be the best score of the gambler course.

If still tied the team manager together with the committee will decide the team to be qualified

The rules for games are published in the rule book available www.worldagilityopen.com.

The team manager together with the Spanish committee for wao will make the decision of the dogs to run the "Team Agility Pentathlon during the days of the championship in terms of those with the best results at the qualify for WAO 2024.

JUNIOR handler eligibility

Each country may enter one junior in each height category. All handlers must have been born on or after 1 st May 2005. Handlers must produce a passport or Official Government Photo documentation that states their date of birth at Check in. Failure to produce this may exclude them from the event. The junior handler must be the sole handler of the dog at this event. Junior handlers are eligible to run in the Team event.

Juniors will compete on same courses with others in WAO. The junior team will get a place in all classes in WAO. In the tryout competition juniors will compete in the same courses with adults. The results will be separated for the juniors apart from the normal tryout results into a separate result sheet and the points are given by the placements in junior category. The final results will be the total points from all nine runs .

JUMP HEIGHTS AND MEASURES

There are five categories for jumps in WAO, determined in relation to the height of the dog at the withers.

- Jump height **250** to **320**mm at the withers
- Jump height **300** to **380**mm at the withers
- Jump height **400** to **440**mm at the withers
- Jump height **500** to **500**mm at the withers
- Jump height **600** superior a **500**mm at the withers

Measurements of the dog will be held at the beginning of the qualified competitions.

Dogs with WAO official measurement (measured at WAO world championship) should not pass this measure control.

Teams that want to compete at the height of 600 should not pass this measure control.

General criteria for competition:

- Technical criteria for qualified competitions for WAO 2024 are reflected in the rule book of WAO, these rules are published on the website www.worldagilityopen.com.

Specifications for qualified competitions in Spain:

- Will not be penalized not to touch the top of the contact obstacles: A-frame, Dogwalk and Seesaw. Anyway the entry to these obstacles should be in the natural way.
- Judge's decisions in the development of the courses cannot be discussed.
- If a guide dog team has qualified for biathlon, Penthalon and games, the guide will guide decision compete in all categories.

Registration for qualified competitions WAO:

Following the essence of WAO in order to do an international event in which agility is the fundamental target, regardless of the breed of dog or federation / association where you compete, the registration can be individual, but due to organizations matters we suggest that the registrations should be done through the clubs of agility.

Other considerations:

It's allowed to compete dogs from all breeds and mixed.

The selection team for WAO 2024 will try to be sponsored and we are also working to get as far as possible accommodation and registration as cheap as it can be..

It will be a special attention on the way the competitors treat their dogs and it will be not allowed any psychological or physical misconduct to the dog, any behavior of this type leads to the elimination of that competitor of the qualified competition and if such facts take place again in another competition the competitor should be eliminated for qualified for WAO 2024.

It's allowed to use motivating toys or food in the pre- ring, in that place there will be a container to leave it before the start of competition. Only competitor can take all theses things from the container when the course its finished.

It allowed the participation of bitches in heat and should be reported to the organization.

All obstacles should have five heights; if any obstacle cannot be used at these different height should not be used in competition.

All the members of The Spanish team will wear the sames clothes and must be paid by each competitor.

The registration for WAO will be paid by each competitor.

All competitors must be at the open and close ceremonies and to pick up the trophies.

