



2023 World Agility Open Championships

17-21 May 2023

The Netherlands

## Team Selection for WAO2023

Members of Team Japan are selected through the following process:

### 1. Preliminary Round (Regional competitions)

Classes:

**WAO Challenge Biathlon (Agility + Jumping)**

**WAO Challenge Games (Snooker + Gamblers)**

**Masters Biathlon (Agility + Jumping)**

**Scoring:** Agility 100 - (course time + course faults\*+time faults)

Jumping 100 - (course time + course faults\*+time faults)

Snooker earned points

Gamblers earned points

### Preliminary Round Points:

The top 3 dogs of the above classes of each height category can get the following **Preliminary Round Points**:

	First Place	Second Place	Third Place
WAO challenge Biathlon	6 points	5 points	4 points
WAO Challenge Games	6 points	5 points	4 points
Masters Biathlon	4 points	3 points	2 points

If the dog gets more than 30 points in total, **20 points** will be added to the points of the first round of Team Selection Tryout.

Dogs that do not have **Preliminary Round Points** can also participate in Team Selection Tryout.

### 2. Team Selection Tryout

**Selection Date:** 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2022

**Venue:** Greenpia Yame (Fukuoka, Japan)

**Classes:** **First Round** (Agility, Jumping, Snooker, Gambler, and Speedstakes)

**Final Round** (Agility)

**Scoring:**

<b>First Round</b>	Agility	100 - (course time + course faults*+time faults)
	Jumping	100 - (course time + course faults*+time faults)
	Snooker	earned points
	Gamblers	earned points
	* Course faults will be converted to time; a 5-fault penalty will result in 5 seconds being added to course time.	
<b>Final Round</b>	Standard scoring (on the basis of fewest total fault penalties)	

**Jump Height Divisions:**

Jump height name	Dog height at withers	Jump height
250	320mm & under	250mm
300	380mm & under	300mm
400	440mm & under	400mm
500	500mm & under	500mm
600	Any	600mm

**Eligibility:**

Any dogs, whether pedigreed or mixed, over 18 months of age at the event can participate in events.

Any handlers who have Japanese nationality can participate in the selection.

Any handlers with or without membership of any organizations, such as Japan Kennel Club (JKC), Organization for Promotion of Dog Education and Socialization (OPDES), and so on can participate.

**Judge:** To be arranged

**Rules:** Selection and competition will be under the rules of WAO.

**Qualifying:**

All dogs must participate in 5 classes (Agility, Jumping, Snooker, Gamblers, and Speedstakes) of the **First Round** and the top 6 dogs of each height category with the most total points of 5 classes can proceed to the **Final Round**. In case junior handlers, described below, are included in top 6 of each height category, dogs of the 7<sup>th</sup> place can proceed to the **Final Round**.

Top 3 dogs of each height category of the **Final Round** will be qualified as members of Team Japan. (Dogs of the 4<sup>th</sup> place, 5<sup>th</sup> place and 6<sup>th</sup> place of each height category will substitute for qualified members when they can not participate in WAO. In case junior handlers, described below, are included in top 6 of each height category, dogs of the 7<sup>th</sup> place will become a substitute.)

**Junior handlers** (who were born on or after 20th May 2004) with the most total points among junior handlers of each height category will be qualified as members of Team Japan for the Junior Handler

World Championship, regardless of their ranking.

**Funding:**

Competitors will be expected to fund all expenses including cost of travel, hotel expenses and any other expenses related to the World Agility Open Championships.

Selection Committee will fund entry fees and rental fees for paddock.

**Further Information:**

Details about the quarantine system of Japan can be found on:

<http://www.maff.go.jp/aqs/animal/index.html> (Japanese)

Details about the World Agility Open Championships 2023 can be found on:

<http://www.worldagilityopen.com/index.html> (English)

Rules of the World Agility Open Championships can be found on:

<http://www.worldagilityopen.com/WAORules&Regulations.pdf>

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