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## **ELECTION OF SKATEBOARDING ATHLETES' REPRESENTATIVES - RULES AND PROCEDURES -**

In accordance with [World Skate By-Laws](#) Paragraph 8.D, each Sport must be represented in the Athletes' Commission. With Skateboarding now being an Olympic sport, we want to guarantee a fair representation within both Olympic disciplines (Street and Park), by electing 4 skaters for each gender.

To this end, all athletes taking part in the forthcoming Park and Street Skateboarding World Championships are kindly requested to participate in the elections, as per the following rules:

- Two (2) male and two (2) female skateboarders from both Park and Street disciplines will be elected.
- All Skateboarding athletes who are at least 18 years old, who have competed at least once in the previous 4 years in the World Skate World Championship or who are going to compete in the World Skate World Championships in 2022 can submit their candidacy. Candidates must not be involved in any Conflict of Interest situation (please see [World Skate Code of Ethics](#)) and/or sanctioned for doping, ethic or disciplinary violations. Candidates must be members of their National Federation.
- Each Skater can submit his/her candidacy only for one discipline (Park or Street).
- Candidacies shall be submitted within **19th of August 2022 at 11.59 PM (CET)**, by filling out the form at the following URL: <https://forms.gle/bBN3nRXrRpWUinjV7>
- Only one elected representative will be eligible from each country. In a scenario where one country puts forward one candidate of each sex for a particular discipline, the one who receives less votes will give way to a candidate of the same gender from an eligible country with the highest number of remaining votes. In the case of a tie, the elder candidate will be elected.

- Voting rights are granted to any 18+ years old athlete competing in the relevant World Championship. Therefore, a skater competing in the Park World Championship cannot vote for the Street discipline and *vice versa*. Participants will be provided with credentials to cast their votes through an online voting platform, upon checking in at the event.
- After the expiration of the candidacies' submission term, World Skate will carry out back-ground checks on the candidates and will announce the final candidates list within one week.
- Voting opens on the first day of the event concerned and will last until a week after the end. The elected Representatives shall be announced within 10 days by the end of each voting round.
- In accordance with Par. 8.D of World Skate By-Laws, the term of office for the elected Representatives is four years. Therefore, the elected representatives will hold their office until the 2025 World Championships.
- The 16 elected Skateboarding Athletes' Representatives will be part of the World Skate Athletes' Commission and will be subject to all World Skate Rules and Regulations. Their main tasks will be:
  - To consider issues related to athletes and to provide advice to World Skate;
  - To represent the rights and interests of Skateboarding athletes;
  - To maintain contact with the IOC Athletes Commission;
  - To attend forums and other International Athletes meeting as per World Skate request;
  - To fill in questionnaires and/or reports as per World Skate requests;
  - To be World Skate contact persons within the Skateboarding community;
  - To attend World Skate meetings whenever requested and to report to the Skateboarding athletes;
  - To provide feedback on event conditions, regulations, criteria, etc. applied by WSK to the competition environment;
  - To consult with Skatepark designers and comment on the suggested plan of FOP for upcoming WSK events;



- To consult with ISJC and provide feedback on their judging work and nominated candidates;
- To work with the Gender Equality Commission and provide feedback, suggestions, and recommendations from the athletes' point of view.

