

USA Basketball Men's 3x3 World Tour National Team Trials Information

Introduction

USA Basketball will host tryouts for its 2022 Men's 3x3 World Tour National Team, a national team that will participate in a variety of events on the International Basketball Federation (FIBA) 3x3 Pro Circuit as well as take part in other domestic 3x3 events. Six (6) players will be selected to the team that will train and compete in intervals from May through November – with a chance to earn a bid to the World Tour Final in December.

FIBA Pro Circuit 3x3 events are typically 2-day tournaments in pool play format with top teams advancing to bracket play. The USA Basketball World Tour National Team will take part in several qualifying events (Quests and Challengers) throughout the season in order to earn bids to the highest World Tour events (Masters and World Tour Final). Prize money is awarded at several events to top finishing teams which will be divided among the 6 team members based on a formula.

To prepare for tournament play, USA Basketball will conduct a series of team training camps throughout the season. With many top events taking place internationally there will be travel periods involved. Therefore, training camps may be held domestically or internationally based on the season schedule and event locations.

Opportunity

The USA Basketball Men's 3x3 World Tour National Team is a national team program and is one great way to prepare for future national team consideration. Also, due to FIBA 3x3 player eligibility rules, participation on the team also provides opportunity for players to earn the necessary ranking points to be eligible for the 3x3 World Cup and the Olympic Games roster.

As incentive to take part in the season and in addition to the benefits above, USA Basketball has established the following for team members that compete in the entire season:

- Each of the six (6) selected athletes will receive a training stipend from the United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee (USOPC) up to a maximum of \$14,250 if:
 - Athlete is available to participate in at least three FIBA Pro Circuit events and the World Tour Final if named to those rosters
 - Athlete participates in three scheduled 5-day training camp segments

- Travel, accommodations and meals provided
- Daily stipend of \$150 per day for all World Tour training and competitions
- Incidentals payment of \$25 per day for training and competition days
- Per diem for meals that are not provided
- Prize money matching of 50% of prize earnings in FIBA 3x3 events
- Setup of camps and tour management of team, including coaching, medical and scouting elements
- Elite Athlete Health Insurance (EAHI) benefits from the USOPC through Dec 31, 2022
- On- and off-court apparel provided for travel, camps and competitions

Commitment

Due to FIBA Pro Circuit rules and regulations, players selected to the USA Basketball Men's 3x3 World Tour Team must commit to the entire season of play. While the training stipend is based on the criteria listed there will be a commitment structure established for distribution of prize money throughout the season. USA Basketball will work collaboratively with player agents and appropriate representatives of professional teams to assist in leaves of absence when necessary and where possible.

General Season Schedule

May 4-8, 2022

- World Tour National Team Invitational Camp in Springfield, MA

May 9-12, 2022

- Training camp 1 in Springfield, MA

May 13-15, 2022

- Red Bull USA Basketball 3X Nationals in Springfield, MA at the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame

June-November

- 12-20 FIBA and Red Bull professional circuit events (6-member roster will rotate per event based on projected match-ups and availability)
- Training Camps 2 & 3 (based on event schedule)
- Practices ahead of scheduled events

December 8-10

- FIBA 3x3 World Tour Final in Abu Dhabi, UAE (if qualified)

Team Selection Process

USA Basketball's Men's 3x3 National Team Selection Committee is responsible for the selection of USA Basketball's Men's 3x3 World Tour National Team for the 2022 season. The Committee will select six (6) athletes for the team based on the following eligibility criteria:

- Athlete must be a national of the United States at the time of the 2022 Red Bull USA Basketball 3X Nationals
- Must possess a valid U.S. passport issued before January 1, 2020
- Subject to special cases, may not have previously played for the national team (5v5 or 3x3) of another country in a main official competition of FIBA
- Athlete must be in good standing with USA Basketball and have demonstrated success in a tryout event (below)
- Athlete must successfully complete USA Basketball's compliance, education and document requirements
- Athlete must commit to the entire season of play including scheduled camps and those competitions when named to the 4-person roster of a given event. (As noted, in order to receive the USOPC training stipend, athlete must be available to participate in at least three FIBA Pro Circuit events and the World Tour Final, if named to a roster, and must participate in all three scheduled 5-day training camp segments)

Tryout Events

- **FIBA 3x3 AmeriCup 2021**
 - *This event concluded on November 14, 2021. USA team athletes were chosen by Selection Committee based on their play at 2021 3x3 events held domestically and internationally*
- **USA Basketball 2022 Men's 3x3 World Tour National Team Invitational Camp**
 - *A multi-day 3x3 camp and trial event for identified athletes. Athletes are invited by committee based on their play in both 5v5 and 3x3 competitions throughout FIBA, NBA, WNBA, G-League and NCAA events. From camp, at least 4 athletes will be formed into a USA Basketball Select Team(s) to take part in the 2022 Red Bull USA Basketball 3X Nationals.*
- **2022 Red Bull USA Basketball 3X Nationals**
 - *Athletes are formed into teams to participate. There are three pathways for entry to this event:*
 - *Qualify by advancing through a qualifying event*
 - *Receive an at-large team invitation from USA Basketball*
 - *Receive an individual invitation to play in the event as part of a USA Basketball Select Team(s)*
- **FIBA World Tour Masters events held between November 1, 2021 and May 16, 2022**
 - *World Tour Masters events are hosted by FIBA and are the highest level of pro 3x3 events within the FIBA pro circuit. Teams form and qualify into a Masters event by having success at feeding events. Additionally, teams may receive tickets to a Masters event based on standings at the start of a season, or by receiving a wildcard bid from the event host.*

NOTE: Any athlete who is unable to participate in the above, or has not been selected, invited or qualified to participate, may complete and submit a 3x3 Athlete Consideration

Form accessible via USAB.com. This form, along with other criteria found throughout these procedures, will be used by the 3x3 Selection Committee in determining athlete selections.

The Committee's identification and nomination of players will be based on the following criteria listed in no particular order:

- Eligibility
- Availability
- Match-ups based on projected international competition
- Position played/size at position
- Playing ability
- Demonstrated success in a trial event
- Versatility
- Coachability
- Attitude
- Adaptability
- Leadership
- Likelihood of contributing to success of team

The committee will evaluate athletes (in-person or remotely) based on the activity listed above. The committee will deliberate, select and then nominate, to the USA Basketball CEO, 6 athlete nominees and will keep a list of alternate athletes based on the process described above.