

Qualification for the 1-TDC Invitational 2027.

The event will be open to 600 dogs.

- 121 dogs will be invited from winning an Overall International Challenge Event in 2026.
- 379 dogs will be invited due to their results at the Canadian Open, the West Coast Open and the US Open in 2026
- 100 dogs from an international pool and a seeded random draw will be invited.
- All invites will be to dog and handler partnerships.

ICE Invites

The winners of each overall ICE will receive an invite from the UKI office in September and must enter the event by September 30th, 2026. If an invitation is not accepted or a dog wins multiple places, then the place will NOT roll down to a lower place. This position at the event will be added to the seeded lottery draw.

Event Invites from the Opens.

To create a fair split from the three events, the 2025 entry numbers have been used to calculate the following;

Event	% of invited entry	Approximate number of dogs being invited
Canadian Open	24%	91
West Coast Open	22%	83
US Open	54%	205

Please note these numbers will be reviewed and recalculated each year.

Once the entry for these three events has closed, UKI will publish the exact number of dogs of each height and how they qualify for an invite. Results will be taken from the overall podiums of these events as per the tables below. If an invitation is not accepted or a dog wins multiple places, then the place will **NOT** roll down to a lower place. This position at the event will be added to the seeded lottery draw.

An example of how many dogs are invited per height: If 1000 dogs enter the US Open and 100 dogs (10% of entry) have entered the 24" jump height, 10% of the number of dogs is 21 (10% of 205 rounded to the nearest whole number) so 21 dogs will be invited from the 24" jump height.

Places at the 1-TDC Invitational must be accepted and paid for within the specified time frame on your qualification letter. This is due to the time frame of the three events, managing duplicate qualifications, and enabling the seeded lottery draw to take place within a reasonable time scale.

Invitational



Canadian Open & US Open	Placements Used.			
Number of Dogs invited in a height	National Final	Biathlon	Masters Final	Games
1	1 st	0	0	0
2	1 st	1 st	0	0
3	1 st	1 st	1 st	0
4	1 st	1 st	1 st	1 st
5	1 st & 2 nd	1 st	1 st	1 st
6	1 st & 2 nd	1 st & 2 nd	1 st	1 st
7	1 st & 2 nd	1 st & 2 nd	1 st & 2 nd	1 st
8	1 st & 2 nd	1 st & 2 nd	1 st & 2 nd	1 st & 2 nd
9	1 st - 3 rd	1 st & 2 nd	1 st & 2 nd	1 st & 2 nd
10	1 st - 3 rd	1 st - 3 rd	1 st & 2 nd	1 st & 2 nd
11	1 st - 3 rd	1 st - 3 rd	1 st - 3 rd	1 st & 2 nd
12	1 st - 3 rd	1 st - 3 rd	1 st - 3 rd	1 st - 3 rd
13	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 3 rd	1 st - 3 rd	1 st - 3 rd
14	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 3 rd	1 st - 3 rd
15	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 3 rd
16	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 4 th
17	1 st - 5 th	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 4 th
18	1 st - 5 th	1 st - 5 th	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 4 th
19	1 st - 5 th	1 st - 5 th	1 st - 5 th	1 st - 4 th
20	1 st - 5 th	1 st - 5 th	1 st - 5 th	1 st - 5 th

West Coast Open	Placements used.			
Number of Dogs invited in a height	Pentathlon	UKI Stakes	Masters	Games
1	1 st	0	0	0
2	1 st	1 st	0	0
3	1 st	1 st	1 st	0
4	1 st	1 st	1 st	1 st
5	1 st & 2 nd	1 st	1 st	1 st
6	1 st & 2 nd	1 st & 2 nd	1 st	1 st
7	1 st & 2 nd	1 st & 2 nd	1 st & 2 nd	1 st
8	1 st & 2 nd	1 st & 2 nd	1 st & 2 nd	1 st & 2 nd
9	1 st - 3 rd	1 st & 2 nd	1 st & 2 nd	1 st & 2 nd
10	1 st - 3 rd	1 st - 3 rd	1 st & 2 nd	1 st & 2 nd
11	1 st - 3 rd	1 st - 3 rd	1 st - 3 rd	1 st & 2 nd
12	1 st - 3 rd	1 st - 3 rd	1 st - 3 rd	1 st - 3 rd
13	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 3 rd	1 st - 3 rd	1 st - 3 rd
14	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 3 rd	1 st - 3 rd
15	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 3 rd
16	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 4 th
17	1 st - 5 th	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 4 th
18	1 st - 5 th	1 st - 5 th	1 st - 4 th	1 st - 4 th
19	1 st - 5 th	1 st - 5 th	1 st - 5 th	1 st - 4 th
20	1 st - 5 th	1 st - 5 th	1 st - 5 th	1 st - 5 th

This formula will be used until the desired numbers are achieved.

Lottery Draw and International Invites.

Applications will open for 14 days after the conclusion of the 2026 US Open. This is not a first-come, first-served process, so applying immediately upon the opening date is unnecessary.

International Places

20 places will be available to partnerships not residing in North America or Mexico. If there are more than 20 applications, UKI will decide which 20 are invited. If there are fewer than 20 applications, the unused spots will be added to the seeded lottery draw.

Seeded Lottery Draw

Once the event invites and international places have been finalized, any remaining spaces available to achieve an entry of 600 dogs (approximately 80 places) will be available for those who did not achieve an invite but have a relevant result from a UKI event. These will not be divided by height.

Groups A through F will be based on results from US and Canadian UKI Cups, Classics and Festivals held between October 1, 2025, and September 30, 2026.

- GROUP A will be from partnerships that gained a 1st, 2nd or 3rd Overall at a CUP
- GROUP B will be from partnerships that gained a 1st or 2nd at a CUP in the Biathlon or Games or Masters
- GROUP C will be from partnerships that gained a 1st or 2nd at a CLASSIC Pentathlon.
- GROUP D will be from partnerships that gained a 1st or 2nd at a CLASSIC in the Biathlon or Masters.
- GROUP E will be from partnerships that gained a 1st or 2nd Overall at a FESTIVAL.
- GROUP F will be from partnerships that gained a 1st or 2nd at a FESTIVAL in the Biathlon or Masters

The remaining groups (apart from P, Q and R) will be from percentage calculations from an OVERALL RESULT in one of the following events:

- 2026 Canadian Open: National Final or Biathlon or Masters Final or Games
- 2026 US Open: National Final or Biathlon or Masters Final or Games
- 2026 West Coast Open: Pentathlon or UKI Stakes or Masters or Games

From this data, the applicants will be split into the following groups:

- GROUP G will be from partnerships in the top 20% of a class.
- GROUP H will be from partnerships in the top 30% of a class.
- GROUP I will be from partnerships in the top 40% of a class.
- GROUP J will be from partnerships in the top 50% of a class.
- GROUP K will be from partnerships in the top 60% of a class.
- GROUP L will be from partnerships in the top 70% of a class.
- GROUP M will be from partnerships in the top 80% of a class.
- GROUP N will be from partnerships in the top 90% of a class.
- GROUP O will be from partnerships in the top 100% of a class.
- GROUP P will be from partnerships that entered an Open but not an Invitational qualifying event.
- GROUP Q will be from partnerships that entered an Open but wish to compete at a different height than the height they competed at, or the corresponding select height, at 1-TDC
- GROUP R will be from partnerships that did not enter any Open.

How to calculate your percentage.

Your placement is divided by the number of dogs entered, times 100.

For example, if there were 50 dogs in a class and your placement was 13th, you would be in the top 30% of the group. ($13/50 \times 100 = 26$).

For dogs that tie for a spot who are **not** eliminated, they will use the higher place for the calculation.

For example, if dogs tie for 25th, 26th and 27th place, they will use 25th place in their percentage calculation.

For dogs that are eliminated in a class, they will use the lowest place for the calculation.

For example, if eliminated dogs lie in 25th, 26th and 27th place, they will use 27th place in their percentage calculation.

The dogs will be invited in order of their seeded group until all places are filled. Once the number of spaces available is greater than the number of dogs in a group, a random lottery draw will take place in that group.

For example, if there are 100 places and 40 dogs are in Group A, 40 dogs in Group B and 40 dogs in Group C, then all the dogs in Groups A and B will be invited to compete and a random draw of 20 dogs will take place from Group C.