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U.S. TEAM SELECTION OFFICIAL PROGRAM 2017 R/C HELICOPTER FREESTYLE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

1. PURPOSE

The team selection program for the 2017 FAI F3N R/C Helicopter Freestyle World Championships will use the results of US participants of one contest. This contest will be the 2016 AMA NATIONALS. The final top three scores will determine the primary team members that represent the United States at the 2017 FAI F3N World Championships. The final fourth place score will determine the alternate team member who can serve as a replacement if there is a withdrawal by any of the primary team members.

2. QUALIFICATIONS

Contestants must be members of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA); enter the program by submitting \$20.00 to be eligible for the team selection finals; and meet the requirements as defined in the *World Championship Teams - Procedures Governing the Academy's Sponsorship of FAI Teams*. A copy of this publication is available from the Competitions Department at AMA HQ. Interested contestants must also enter the team selection finals using the official entry form accompanied by a fee of \$50.00 to AMA Headquarters no later than July 1, 2016.

3. 2016 AMA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

The F3N rules in the FAI SPORTING CODE, SECTION IV, 2016 edition, VOLUME F3N - R/C HELICOPTERS FREESTYLE shall be used.

4. FINAL RESULTS

The final scores will be the normalized scores from the 2016 AMA National Championships. Only completed rounds will count in determining the final score. The final results shall be posted within one half hour after the FINALS. The final results shall become official one hour after the AMA National Championships or after resolution of any protest. Protests will not be accepted after the scores have been declared official by the Event Director.

5. OFFICIAL TEAM

The official US team shall consist of the US pilots with the three highest scores. The alternate US team member shall be the pilot with the fourth highest score. Each team member shall designate his or her official caller or mechanic to AMA headquarters and must purchase an FAI stamp. FAI stamps must be obtained directly from the AMA Competition Dept.

6. TEAM MANAGER

Nomination and selection of the team manager shall follow the procedure outlined in the correspondence to the team selection committee and participants from the committee chairman

7. TEAM FINANCES

Team expenses covered by AMA are detailed in the *World Championship Teams - Procedures Governing the Academy's Sponsorship of FAI Teams*. The F3N team fund is held in escrow at AMA headquarters under control of the F3N team selection committee. All entry fees, additional income, and/or donations shall be kept in this fund.

Use of the F3N Team fund is limited to team expenses. The team selection committee shall allocate the team funds for the following expenses:

1. Team travel expenses not covered by AMA
2. Vehicle rentals for the team at the World Championships
3. Meals for team members during the practice days for which AMA pays for lodging.
4. Other team expenses approved by majority vote of the Team selection Committee

Should a circumstance arise where there's not sufficient time to get committee approval for release of the team funds, the Team Selection Chairman shall have the authority to release said funds.

The AMA document entitled *World Championship Teams - Procedures Governing the Academy's Sponsorship of FAI Teams* describes the standards that all team selection programs follow. Any items not specified within this team selection program will be covered by these "Procedures". If there is a dispute or discrepancy, the "Procedures" document shall take precedence.