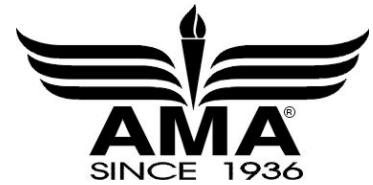


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Academy of Model Aeronautics 2009 FAI F3A Official Team Selection Program

United States Team selection for the 2009 RC Aerobatics FAI F3A World Championships will be via a single team selection contest (TSC) to be held in conjunction with the 2008 U.S. Nationals. The Academy of Model Aeronautics guide, “World Championship Teams” will be used to conduct this program.

The 2007 World Champion, Quique Somenzini, has elected to return as the Reigning World Champion in the next World Championships which allows the USA to send a three man team as well as Quique.

Quique will compete in the 2008 Nationals, but his placing will not be a factor in the Team Selection.

Participation in the TSC requires candidates to meet the following criteria:

- 1. AMA qualification.** AMA membership during the years of the program.
- 2. Team Selection Program Entry.** To enter the TSP, all participants must complete the entry form and send a Program Entry fee of \$20 to the AMA Competition Department, Attn. Lisa Johnson, no later than July 1, 2008.
- 3. Team Selection Finals Entry.** To enter the Team Selection Finals, participants must enter and fly in the U.S. Nationals and send \$150 to the AMA Competition Department, Attn. Lisa Johnson, no later than July 1, 2008. (A late entry fee of \$300 will be accepted up until the pilots meeting for the AMA Nationals.
- 4. Event Qualification.** The order of finish in the F3A Finals at the 2008 U.S. Nationals by pilots registered in the Team Selection Finals will determine the 2009 US Team members.
- 5. TSC Entry.** Individuals having satisfied the above requirements are eligible to enter the Team Selection Contest.
- 6. TSC Format.** The TSC will be conducted according to the FAI Sporting Code for an F3A event, except as may be amended by a majority vote of the Team Selection Committee. The exact format will be determined by the Committee basis the number of

program entrants and will be announced as that information becomes available. Event logistics will be formulated by the Committee and the contest director prior to the event. The role of the Committee ends when the event begins and subsequent event decisions are the responsibility of the Jury and CD.

7. **TSC Site.** The TSC site will be the AMA site in Muncie, Indiana for the 2009 TSC.
8. **Budget.** Reimbursement for expenses associated with the TSC will be along these guidelines upon approval of the Committee and AMA:
 - A. Event expenses shall be outlined in a budget submitted by the host and are expected to be within the nominal range of \$1000.
 - B. Since the TSC is piggybacked with the U.S. Nationals only the judges that would not ordinarily be on site will be eligible for travel and lodging expenses.
 - C. The Contest Director shall provide a detailed accounting of the event expenses and any remaining funds to the AMA with copies to the Team Selection Committee Chair within two weeks following the event.

Team Manager. Nominees and volunteers for Team Manager will be accepted until June 1, 2008. The 2009 Team Manager will be appointed, as outlined in the AMA Procedures, by July 10, 2008. The 2009 Team Manager will be introduced at the 2008 U.S.Nationals.