



BC TEAM SELECTION CRITERIA

2025 BC U20 TRACK & FIELD TEAM

1. BC TEAM PROGRAM

The BC Athletics BC Team Program is the provincial High-Performance program for Athletics (Track & Field, Road, Mountain and Trail Running and Cross Country) in BC. Program support includes funding for competition at national age category championships and national multi sport games, other funding opportunities based on available funds and access to services through our partnership with Canadian Sport Institute Pacific. The objectives of this program include:

- To select a team of male and female athletes who have demonstrated the ability to be competitive at a National Championships event (finalist).
- To provide athletes with a positive team experience that prepares them for future collegiate and/or national team opportunities.
- To provide an opportunity to represent BC Athletics and British Columbia at national level competition.

2. CANADIAN U20 TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Canadian U20 Track & Field Championships is a premier national championship event that brings together the country's top young athletes under the age of 20 to compete in a wide range of track and field disciplines. Organized by Athletics Canada, the championships serve as a critical platform for emerging talent to showcase their skills, gain national recognition, and qualify for international competitions such as the World Athletics U20 Championships. Held annually, the event fosters high-level competition, encourages youth development in athletics, and often features future Olympians and national record-holders early in their careers.

3. OVERVIEW

This document will serve as the selection document for the **2025 BC U20 TRACK & FIELD TEAM (ABLE BODIED)**. All selections will be made in accordance with the criteria outlined in this document. Athletes, coaches and other interested parties are asked to please familiarize themselves with this document. If you have any questions, please contact Track & Field Program Manager, Garrett Collier at garrett.collier@bcathletics.org.

4. 2025 IMPORTANT DATES

a. QUALIFICATION PERIOD(S)

| EVENTS | DATES | NOTE |
|------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| ALL EVENTS | MARCH 01 – JULY 06, 2025 | Performances on AC Rankings |

b. TEAM DATES

| DATE | ITEM | NOTE |
|----------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| JULY 04-06, 2025 | BCA Outdoor Track & Field Championships | EVENT INFO |
| JULY 06, 2025 | DUE: 2025 Athlete Declarations | CLICK HERE |
| JULY 08, 2025 | Preliminary Roster Posted | BCA WEBSITE |
| JULY 10-11, 2025 | Final Roster Posted | BCA WEBSITE |
| JULY 30, 2025 | Travel to Ottawa* | |
| JULY 31-AUG 03, 2025 | Canadian U20 Track & Field Championships | EVENT INFO |
| AUGUST 03, 2025 | Return to YVR | |

* Tentative

5. FUNDING

BC Athletics will provide support (pending confirmation of funding for 2025/2026) to those athletes selected to the 2025 BC U20 Track & Field Team. Support for this team includes:

- Travel to and from Ottawa, ON from YVR
- Athletes who reside outside of the Metro Vancouver area will be provided with transportation to meet the team at YVR
- Transportation of equipment
- Accommodation for the duration of the Championships
- BC Team Competition Kit
- Competition entry
- Support from BC Team Staff

6. ELIGIBILITY

6.1 ELIGIBLE ATHLETES

To be eligible for the 2025 BC U20 Track & Field Team, athletes must meet the following criteria:

- a. Hold a current BC Athletics Competitive membership and be a member in good standing at the time of achieving the published performance standard
- b. Must hold Canadian Citizenship or Permanent Residency
- c. Must have permanent residence in BC for at least 6 months prior to selection.
- d. Has a permanent residence in BC or plans to resume permanent residency in BC but is temporarily residing outside of BC because of personal or professional work requirements.
- e. If previously affiliated with any other Athletics Association within the previous 12 months, the athlete must establish residency in BC for a minimum of 6 months and must be a registered competitive member of BC Athletics for 6 months prior to selection.
- f. Be at least 16 years of age (YOB 2009) as of December 31, 2025 (AC Rule 86e)
- g. Submit a [BC Team Athlete Declaration](#) by:
 - July 6, 2025, by 11:59 PM PST for ALL OTHER EVENTS
- h. Achieve the published performance standard in the event they wish to be considered for (see APPENDIX A) within the published qualifying period (see Section 4).
- i. Must comply with Competitive Readiness Requirements outlined in Section 8

7. SELECTION CRITERIA

7.1 SELECTION STANDARDS

For the purposes of team selection, BC Athletics standards set out in APPENDIX A.

a. METHODOLOGY

When producing team standards, BC Athletics works with the philosophy of “probably finalist, possible medallist.” The 2025 BC U20 Team Standards are based on the average of 6th ranked performance from 2022, 2023 and 2024 or the average National 8th ranked performance from 2022, 2023, and 2024. When the 6th ranked performance in 2024 was a lesser performance than the 3 year-average, the average 8th ranked performance was used (with some exceptions in field events).

7.2 SELECTION TRIALS

There are no selection trials for this team in 2025, but athletes must compete at the 2025 BC Athletics Outdoor Track & Field Championship, or submit an exemption request to be

considered eligible for selection.

7.3 ELIGIBLE PERFORMANCES

All performances must appear on the 2025 Athletics Canada Outdoor Rankings. It is the responsibility of the athlete to ensure eligible performances appear in the rankings to be considered for selection. Please submit results to results@athletics.ca. For performances that take place on the last day of the qualification period please email the Track & Field Program Manager at garrett.collier@bcathletics.org.

7.4 IN-ELIGIBLE PERFORMANCES

For purposes of team selection, the following performances will not be eligible for selection and/or funding:

- a. Wind-Aided performances
- b. Hand-timed performances for events 800m and shorter. *
- c. Indoor performances.

*Note: Hand-Timed performances in individual and relay events, 800m and shorter will not be accepted for the purposes of team selection. For other events, hand timed results will be accepted for selection when accompanied by documentation signed by the chief track referee.

7.5 SELECTION PROCESS

Athletes who meet the eligibility requirements (see Section 6.1) will be selected using the following process:

- a. Athletes will be ranked based on their percentage of team standard (see APPENDIX A) within the published qualification period (See Section 4).
- b. Athletes will be selected until the team quota (25 athletes) has been met. Please note that achieving the performance standard does NOT guarantee selection.

7.6 PRELIMINARY ROSTER

A preliminary roster will be released no later than **Wednesday, July 8, 2025**, on the BC Athletics website. An email to all declared athletes will be sent with preliminary roster. Once posted, athletes will have 24 hours to submit an appeal from the time stamp on the posted preliminary roster.

Due to the nature of team selection and registration deadlines set forth by Athletics Canada, BC Athletics will send emails to all preliminary roster athletes to begin the process of collecting important information. Please note that these emails DO NOT indicate final selection to team.

7.7 APPEALS

a. ELIGIBILITY TO APPEAL

Only athletes that have achieved the minimum published standard (see APPENDIX A) during the qualification period or have met the selection criteria may submit an appeal.

b. APPEAL PROCESS

After BC Athletics has posted to preliminary roster, athletes who meet the appeal eligibility requirement (above) athletes will have 24 hours to submit an appeal via the BC Team Program Appeal for Selection Form. Once an eligible appeal has been received, BC Athletics in consultation with the Appeals Committee (Program Manager for Track & Field, 2025 BC Team Coaching Staff) will render a decision. Once the appeals committee has made their ruling, the decision will be considered final, and the appeal will be closed.

c. [CLICK HERE TO ACCESS APPEAL FORM](#)

7.8 FINAL TEAM ROSTER

Once all eligible appeals have been ruled, BC Athletics will post their final roster online and via social media channels.

8. COMPETITIVE READINESS

Selected athletes are expected to be competition ready at the time of selection and leading up to, and at, the provincial team events. As part of demonstrating competitive readiness, athletes will be required to complete the steps below:

8.1 BC TEAM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM

All selected athletes, and their primary coaches must complete, sign and submit the BC Team Selection Acknowledgement Form prior to receiving team information (travel, accommodations etc..). As a part of this form, both athlete and primary coach must disclose to BC Athletics any reasons (injury or illness) that may affect their competitive readiness.

8.2 COMPETITIVE READINESS

If a selected athlete presents reasons (injury or illness) that may result in questionable competitive readiness, BC Athletics will work with the athlete and coach on a case-by-case basis to certify the athlete's competitive readiness.

8.3 EVALUATIONS

Athletes with questionable competitive readiness will be required to submit a “Back to Competitive Readiness Plan” and required to prove fitness. This may be through proof of fitness at a competition, of video proof of fitness to be submitted on a case-by-case basis. In some cases, medical documentation may be used as an evaluation tool if competition is not possible.

8.4 VIOLATION OF COMPETITIVE READINESS

If an athlete and personal coach falsely certify that a selected athlete is competitive ready resulting in poor performance or non-performance at the BC Team event, the athlete and personal coach could be:

- a. Responsible for refunding BC Athletics the total costs incurred for team travel, entries, equipment transportation and any additional costs associated with the BC Team.
- b. Deemed members not-in-good standing with BC Athletics and limited or suspended from any further BC Team Program opportunities.

BC Athletics will consider these situations on a case-by-case basis.

9. BC TEAM INFORMATION

9.1 TEAM RESTRICTIONS

- a. BC Athletics will select a maximum of 3 athletes in an event.
- b. BC Athletics will select a maximum roster of 25 athletes.

9.2 TEAM EVENT

2025 CANADIAN U20 TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS
OTTAWA, ON - JULY 31 – AUGUST 3, 2025

9.3 TEAM SIZE

BC Team has been allotted a team size of:

- 25 able-bodied athletes
- 8 staff members (same staff for Senior, Para and U20 teams)

9.4 TEAM FEES

The team fee for this team will be **750.00 + GST**. This is payable prior to departure by the athlete or their Club. Athletes and/or club will be invoiced prior to departure. Please note that the team

fee includes both travel and accommodation (NEW for 2025).

9.5 TEAM ENTRIES

BC Athletics will register all selected athletes into the Canadian U20 Track & Field Championships prior to the deadline.

a. PRIMARY EVENTS

Selected athletes must compete in their selected event/primary event. If an athlete wishes to be considered for a different primary event, they will have to be reselected under the new event. Please note this could mean an athlete is no longer on the selected roster.

b. ADDITIONAL EVENT(S)

Selected athletes may be entered in additional events if performances in those events:

- Are equal to, or surpass the published team standard (see APPENDIX A); and/or
- Does not hinder performance in the primary selected event as determined by BC Athletics, BC Team Staff in consultation with the athlete and personal coach.

9.6 TEAM TRAVEL

NEW FOR 2025 - Travel with this team is **MANDATORY**.

Selected athletes will travel on the Team Flight from Vancouver, BC (YVR) to Ottawa, ON (YOW). Athletes. BC Athletics will make travel arrangements for all athletes that reside outside of the Metro Vancouver Area. If travelling to and from Vancouver from a location outside of British Columbia, athletes must notify the BC Athletics Program Manager to make alternative travel arrangements. Travelling with the team is **MANDATORY** and athletes must commit to staying for the duration of the event. If an athlete has an academic commitment that requires them to leave early, they must indicate this on their declaration form.

9.7 TEAM ACCOMMODATIONS

Use of BC Team accommodation is **MANDATORY**. Athletes will be assigned a roommate in a double occupancy room.

BC Athletics will cover the cost of Accommodations.

BC Athletics will make a group reservation at a designated meet hotel for all selected athletes and BC Team staff. All selected athletes are required to stay with BC Athletics Team Accommodations for the duration of the event.

9.8 TEAM COMMUNICATION

BC Team Staff and BC Team athletes will be added to a WhatsApp group to make sure information updates are communicated to the team as soon as possible. WhatsApp group will be for athletes only.

9.9 TEAM MEETINGS

Attendance at all team meetings is mandatory. After selection of team athletes has occurred, BC Athletics in consultation with coaching staff will set all team meetings for BC Team events.

10. AMMENDMENTS

BC Athletics reserves the right to amend this Selection Criteria at any time. If any amendments are made, they will be communicated as soon as possible though they will be highlighted and included in this document in the Change History (see APPENDIX B). BC Athletics will also communicate amendments through the BC Athletics website and emails to declared athletes.

11. CHANGE HISTORY

BC Athletics will maintain a change history (see APPENDIX B) for any changes made to this selection criteria.

12. QUESTIONS

If you or your coach have any questions, please contact the Track & Field Program Manager Garrett Collier at garrett.collier@bcathletics.org.

APPENDIX A

2025 BC U20 TEAM STANDARDS

| WOMEN | EVENT | MEN |
|----------|-------------|----------|
| STANDARD | | STANDARD |
| 11.94 | 100 | 10.61 |
| 24.40 | 200 | 21.65 |
| 55.60 | 400 | 48.17 |
| 2:08.51 | 800 | 1:51.36 |
| 4:25.97 | 1500 | 3:49.99 |
| 9:50.09 | 3000 | 8:26.33 |
| 17:30.00 | 5000 | 14:55.37 |
| 50:40:00 | 10000RW | 47:30.00 |
| 14.11 | 100H | |
| | 110H | 14.48 |
| 61.30 | 400H | 54.78 |
| 10:43.47 | 3000SC | 9:29.41 |
| 1.69 | HIGH JUMP | 2.01 |
| 3.67 | POLE VAULT | 4.44 |
| 5.75 | LONG JUMP | 7.01 |
| 11.97 | TRIPLE JUMP | 14.52 |
| 12.40 | SHOT PUT | 14.88 |
| 40.46 | DISCUS | 45.87 |
| 49.53 | HAMMER | 58.22 |
| 43.24 | JAVELIN | 57.50 |
| 4454 | HEPTATHLON | |
| | DECATHLON | 5907 |

REMINDER

As a reminder to all athletes and coaches, achieving the team standard does not guarantee selection to the BC U20Team. Standards are used primarily to create a selection pool to complete final selection of athletes based on available roster spots.

APPENDIX B

CHANGE HISTORY

LATEST CHANGE

| DATE | CHANGE/NOTE |
|----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 04.04.25 | Criteria posted |
| 05.12.25 | Men's 3000m standard adjusted based on championship entry standard / Men's 5000m standard adjusted due to miss calculation. |

