



BC TEAM SELECTION CRITERIA

2025 WESTERN CANADA TEAM CHALLENGE (U24)

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:

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

2. WESTERN CANADA TEAM CHALLENGE

The Western Canada Team Challenge is a premier regional competition that brings together top athletes from British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba. Designed to foster high-level competition and team spirit, the event features a full slate of track and field events. Unlike traditional meets that focus on individual performance, this challenge emphasizes team scoring, where athletes contribute points toward their province's overall standing. It serves as both a development opportunity for emerging talent and a high intensity showcase for seasoned competitors, all while promoting interprovincial camaraderie and excellence in athletics across Western Canada.

3. OVERVIEW

This document will serve as the selection document for the **2025 BC WESTERN CANADIAN CHALLENGE TEAM (U24)**. 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 regarding selection Criteria, please contact Program Manager for Track & Field, Garrett Collier at garrett.collier@bcathletics.org.

4. 2025 IMPORTANT DATES

a. QUALIFICATION PERIOD(S)

DATE(S)	ITEM	NOTES
MARCH 01 – JUNE 29, 2025	QUALIFICATION PERIOD	Performances on AC Rankings

b. TEAM DATES

DATE(S)	ITEM	NOTES
JUNE 29, 2025	Athlete Declarations Due – Able Body	CLICK HERE
JUNE 30, 2025	Preliminary Roster Posted	BCA Website
JULY 02, 2025	Final Roster Posted	BCA Website
JULY 04 – 06, 2025	BC Outdoor Track & Field Championships	MEET INFO
JULY 17, 2025	Team Travel to Edmonton	YVR – YEG
JULY 18 – 20, 2025	2025 Western Canadian Team Challenge	Edmonton, AB
JULY 20, 2025	Team Return to Vancouver	YEG – YVR

5. FUNDING

BC Athletics will provide support (pending confirmation of funding for 2025/2026) to those athletes selected to the 2025 BC Western Canada Team Challenge Team. Support for this team includes:

- i Travel to and from Edmonton, AB from YVR
- ii Athletes who reside outside of the Metro Vancouver area will be provided with transportation to meet the team at YVR
- iii Transportation of equipment
- iv Accommodation for the duration of the event
- v Meals for the duration of the event (excluding travel days)
- vi BC Team Competition Kit
- vii Competition entry
- viii Support from BC Team Staff

6. ELIGIBILITY

6.1 ELIGIBLE ATHLETES

To be eligible for the 2025 Western Canada Team Challenge 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. Must be:
 - i between 16 (YOB 2009) and under 24 (YOB 2002) as of December 31, 2025
- g. Submit a BC Team Athlete Declaration by
 - i June 29, 2025
- 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

6.2 IN-ELIGIBLE ATHLETES

The following athletes are in-eligible for participation on the BC Team:

- a. National Senior Team Athletes are not eligible for Canada Games (to include Olympics, Paralympics, WPA/WA Championships, Commonwealth Games or Special Olympic World Games).
- b. Athletes that have held a SR1 and/or SR2 card (as identified by Sport Canada Athletes Assistance program) at any time.
- c. Athletes who hold a C card (as defined by Sport Canada Athletes Assistance program) or are in their first year of Senior National Team status may be deemed eligible on a case-by-case basis.

7. SELECTION CRITERIA

7.1 SELECTION STANDARDS

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

7.2 SELECTION TRIALS

There will be no selection trials for this team.

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:

All selected athletes must show fitness at the 2025 BC Outdoor Track & Field Championships July 04 – 06, 2025 in Coquitlam, BC. Any athletes who cannot attend the championships must submit a BC Championships Exemption Form prior to the start of the event.

- 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.

7.6 PRELIMINARY ROSTER

A preliminary roster will be released no later than Monday, June 30, 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.

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 THE BC TEAM 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

There is a maximum of three (3) BC Team athletes per event.
For additional restrictions, please see Section 6

9.2 TEAM EVENT

2025 WESTERN CANADA TEAM CHALLENGE
JULY 18 – 20, 2025
EDMONTON, AB

9.3 TEAM SIZE

BC Athletics will fund a maximum team size of:

- i 25 athletes (combination of male and female athletes)
- ii 4 staff members

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 will be invoiced prior to departure.

9.5 TEAM ENTRIES

BC Athletics will register all selected athletes into the Western Canada Team Challenge.

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:

- i Are equal to, or surpass the published minimum team standard (see APPENDIX A); and/or
- ii 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

Travel with the BC Team is **MANDATORY**.

The team will be arranging travel for all selected athletes from Vancouver to Edmonton. The team will depart Vancouver on Thursday, July 17th returning to Vancouver on Sunday, July 20th, 2025. BC Athletics will make travel arrangements for all athletes that reside outside of the Metro Vancouver area. If travelling to and from the Western Canada Team Challenge 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**.

BC Athletics will make all arrangements for accommodations for all selected athletes and staff. The accommodation for the Western Canada Team Challenge will be at the University of Alberta Housing.

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 Team BC 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 TEAM STANDARDS

WOMEN	EVENTS	MEN
STANDARD		STANDARD
12.28	100m	10.94
25.06	200m	22.06
57.30	400m	49.38
2:12.53	800m	1:53.57
4:34.18	1500m	3:53.28
20:18.21	5000m	15:26.75
15.40	100mH	
	110mH	16.00
1:05.98	400mH	59.76
12:09.04	3000mSC	11:34.56
1.60m	High Jump	1.85m
3.10m	Pole Vault	3.80m
5.43m	Long Jump	6.53m
11.11m	Triple Jump	13.01m
10.63m	Shot Put	12.32m
33.45m	Discus	38.17m
37.48m	Hammer	30.66m
32.46m	Javelin	46.06m
4394 pts	Heptathlon	
	Decathlon	5423 pts

APPENDIX B

CHANGE HISTORY

LATEST CHANGE

DATE	CHANGE/NOTE
05.06.25	Criteria posted