



# 2017 BC Junior Track & Field Team

## SELECTION CRITERIA & STANDARDS

### 1.0 OVERVIEW

This document will serve as the selection document for the 2017 BC Junior Track & Field Team. All selections will be made in accordance with these criteria. Athletes and coaches are asked to please familiarize themselves with this document. If you have any questions, please contact the Technical Manager for Track & Field Chris Winter at [chris.winter@bcathletics.org](mailto:chris.winter@bcathletics.org).

### 2.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

#### 2.1 Funding

BC Athletics will provide support (pending confirmation of funding for 2017-18) to those athletes selected to the BC Junior Team. For more information, please see the published criteria and standards within this document in addition to the [BC Athletics General Criteria for Funding and Team Selection](#).

#### 2.2 Important Dates

| Date             | Event/Note                                    | Location/Notes   |
|------------------|---|------------------|
| March 18, 2017   | Begin Qualifying Period                       | All Events       |
| May 28, 2017     | <a href="#">Athlete Declaration Due</a>       | 10,000m          |
| May 28, 2017     | End Qualifying Period                         | 10,000m          |
| June 11, 2017    | <a href="#">Athlete Declaration Due</a>       | All Other Events |
| June 11, 2017    | End Qualifying Period                         | All Other Events |
| June 14, 2017    | Canadian Junior 10,000m Track Championships   | Guelph, ON       |
| July 3-4, 2017   | Canadian Junior Combined Events Championships | Ottawa, ON       |
| July 6-9, 2017   | Canadian Junior Track & Field Championship    | Ottawa, ON       |
| July 14-16, 2017 | BC Athletics Track & Field Championships      | Coquitlam, BC    |

#### 2.3 Team Information

##### a. Team Event(s)

2017 BC Junior Team events are as follows:

|   |                |            |
|---|----------------|------------|
| Canadian Junior 10,000m Track Championships   | June 14, 2017  | Guelph, ON |
| Canadian Junior Combined Events Championships | July 3-4, 2017 | Ottawa, ON |
| Canadian Junior Track & Field Championships   | July 6-9, 2017 | Ottawa, ON |

##### b. Team Restrictions

See Section 2.4 Eligibility. Additionally, Athletics Canada Championships Rules restrict Youth Males from participating in the Men's 10,000m Event.



c. Team Size

BC Athletics has budgeted for a team size of 30 athletes plus staff for the 2017 Canadian Junior Track & Field Championships. In the case that additional funding is available, BC Athletics may send additional athletes. **Due to high costs of travel to Ottawa and budget constraints it may not be possible to send a full team of 30 athletes. Final number to be decided after the end of Qualifying Period.**

d. Team Staff

BC Athletics Team Staff will be announced on the [BC Athletics website](#). BC Athletics will name staff to be on site for all event areas/disciplines. If deemed necessary by BC Athletics and the Head Coach, additional staff may be included.

e. Team Fees

All athletes selected to a BC Team are required to pay BC Team Fees. For more information on BC Team Fees including costs per teams, and a breakdown, please consult the [BC Athletics General Criteria for Funding and Team Selection](#).

f. Team Entries

BC Athletics will enter all selected athletes into the Canadian Junior Championship event(s). Selected athletes must compete in their selected event. If an athlete wishes to compete in a different event, then they will have to be re-selected for that event.

An athlete may be entered in additional events if performances in those event(s):

1. Are equal to, or surpass, the published team standard (see: Appendix A); and/or
2. Would not hinder performance in the primary selected event as determined by the BC Athletics Track & Field Committee in consultation with the athlete and personal coach.

If the performance in the secondary event does not meet Criteria 1 (above), then the athlete may still enter the event, but will be responsible for reimbursement of the entry fee to BC Athletics. If the performance in the secondary event does not meet Criteria 2 (above), and would hinder the performance of the primary (selected) event, then the athlete would not be able to compete in the secondary event.

g. Team Travel

BC Athletics will be booking flights from BC departure locations only. Athletes wishing to make their own travel arrangements must contact the Technical Manager for approval prior to the online declaration due date (see: Section 2.8). Athletes must include the following information:

- Travel Information (Dates, Times, Flight # etc.);
- Cost of Travel

Athletes who have been approved to make their own travel arrangements are asked to send receipts to the BC Athletics office ([chris.winter@bcathletics.org](mailto:chris.winter@bcathletics.org)) for reimbursement no later than 2 weeks after the completion of the BC Team event. Selected athletes will receive a refund for either A) the cost of travel

incurred by the athlete, or B) what the cost to BC Athletics would have been to send an athlete from a BC location, whichever is less.

h. Team Accommodations

BC Team athletes are responsible for the payment of their accommodations. BC Athletics will make reservations at a designated hotel for all BC Team athletes and staff. Athletes are encouraged to use BC Team accommodations, but must stay within the set check-in and check-out dates. Athletes wishing to make their own accommodation arrangements must contact the BC Athletics Technical Manager for approval prior to the declaration due date (see: Section 2.8). Athletes must provide BC Athletics with the name and address of the accommodations.

i. Team Meetings

Attendance at all team meetings is mandatory. After selection of team athletes has occurred, the head coach will set all team meetings for the BC Team event(s). Athletes who are not staying in the BC Team accommodations are reminded that they must attend all team meetings.

## 2.4 Eligibility

In order to be eligible for the BC Junior Team, athletes must:

- a. Meet the BC Athletics General Criteria for Funding Support and Team Selection [[CLICK HERE](#)];
- b. Have been registered as a BC Athletics Competitive Athlete Member at the time of achieving the published selection standard (see: Appendix A);
- c. Submit an Online [Athlete Declaration Form](#) prior to the published declaration due date (see: 2.8);
- d. Achieve the published standard in the event they wish to be considered for (see: Appendix A) within the published qualifying period (see: 2.7). Due to limitations in funding, please note that achieving the published standards does not guarantee selection to BC Teams;
- e. Must comply with Competitive Readiness Requirements as outlined in section 5.0;
- f. Must be at least 16 years of age (Youth) as of December 31, 2017 ([see: AC Rule 86e](#)).

## 2.5 Selection Trials

There will be NO Selection Trials for the BC Junior Team(s).

## 2.6 Selection Standards

When producing team standards, BC Athletics works with the philosophy of “probable finalist, possible medallist”. 2017 BC Junior Team Standards are based on the higher performance of either A) the average 3rd place finish over the previous 5 junior national championships, or B) the 8th ranked Canadian junior performance of 2016. The term “Higher Performance” is defined as the more difficult standard (fastest, highest, farthest or greater points depending on the event). For the 10K Walk standards are set based on the average of IAAF Points of all other events.

- a. Eligible Performances

All performances must appear on the 2017 Outdoor Athletics Canada Rankings [[CLICK HERE](#)]. It is the responsibility of the athlete to submit eligible performances to Athletics Canada in order to be considered for selection. Please submit results to [results@athletics.ca](mailto:results@athletics.ca).

b. In-Eligible Performances

For purposes of selection the following performances will not be eligible for selection or funding:

- i. Wind-Aided Performances;
- ii. Hand-Timed Performances;

c. Eligibility Pool

Athletes who have achieved the published standard (see: Appendix A) within the published qualifying period (see: 2.7) will be part of the eligibility pool for selection. Due to limitations in available funding, achieving the selection standard does not guarantee selection to the BC Junior Team. Athletes not a part of the eligibility pool may also be considered pending available funding.

## 2.7 Qualifying Periods

Athletes must achieve the published standard (see: Appendix A) within the published qualifying period (below). Athletes must achieve standard in the event(s) they wish to be considered for. The qualification period(s) for 2017 are as follows:

| Team Event                               | Start                   | End                  |
|--|-------------------------|----------------------|
| CDN Junior 10,000m Track Championships   | Saturday March 18, 2017 | Sunday May 28, 2017  |
| CDN Junior Combined Events Championships | Saturday March 18, 2017 | Sunday June 11, 2017 |
| CDN Junior Track & Field Championships   | Saturday March 18, 2017 | Sunday June 11, 2017 |

## 2.8 Athlete Declaration

Athletes must submit an online declaration [[CLICK HERE](#)] by the published deadlines (below). The declaration deadline(s) for 2017 are as follows:

| Team Event                                    | Due Date             |
|---|----------------------|
| Canadian Junior 10,000m Track Championships   | Sunday May 28, 2017  |
| Canadian Junior Combined Events Championships | Sunday June 11, 2017 |
| Canadian Junior Track & Field Championships   | Sunday June 11, 2017 |

## 2.9 Announcements

The BC Junior Team list of selected athletes will be posted on the BC Athletics website, BC Athletics Facebook page, and BC Athletics Twitter feed at least 72 hours after the last day of the qualifying period. Emails will also be sent to all declared athletes.

## 3.0 TEAM OBJECTIVES

The selection criteria is set to select athletes as probable finalists and/or possible medallists. The specific objectives for this team include:

- To have more athletes advance to finals than in the previous year;
- To have more athletes achieve podium performances than in the previous year;
- To select athletes capable of performing at their personal best level.

#### 4.0 SELECTION CRITERIA

Eligible athletes will be selected using the following criteria:

1. Athletes will be considered by their percentage of standard in descending order until the team size has been met;
2. Other athletes may be considered by nearness to standard and medal potential based on their results during the published qualifying period (see: 2.7).

#### 5.0 COMPETITIVE READINESS

Selected athletes are expected to be competitive 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 steps outline below.

##### 5.1 BC Team Online Athlete Declaration

All athletes must acknowledge that they have read and understand this section of the selection document. Furthermore, athletes must also agree that, should they be selected, they will disclose to BC Athletics any reasons (i.e. injuries) that may affect their competitive readiness.

##### 5.2 BC Team Selection Acknowledgement Form

All athletes, and primary coaches of athletes, selected to a BC Team 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 the athlete must disclose to BC Athletics if there are any reasons (i.e. injury) that may affect their competitive readiness.

##### 5.3 Competitive Readiness

If a selected athlete presents reasons (i.e. 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 athletes competitive readiness.

##### 5.4 Evaluation of Competitive Readiness

Athletes with questionable competitive readiness will be required to prove fitness. This may be done through proof of fitness at a competition. In some cases, medical documentation by a medical doctor only may be used as an evaluation pool if competition is not possible.

##### 5.5 Violation of Competitive Readiness

If an athlete and personal coach falsely certify that a selected athlete is competitive ready resulting in a poor performance or non-performance at the BC Team event, that athlete and coach may be responsible for refunding BC Athletics the total costs incurred for team travel, entries, equipment transportation or other costs associated with the BC Team. BC Athletics will consider these on a case by case basis.

## 6.0 HIGH PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

Athletes wishing to be considered for High Performance Athlete Support (BC AAP and/or IPS) must take part in the BC Athletics Track & Field Championship (July 14-16, 2017 - Coquitlam, BC) unless they have received one or more of the following exemptions:

- Exemption 1: Injury or Illness. Notification must be provided prior to the start of the BC Championships. Only notification from a medical doctor will be accepted;
- Exemption 2: Competing on an Athletics Canada, BC Athletics or TeamBC team. Notification must be provided to the BC Athletics technical manager before or at the time of selection to such teams;
- Exemption 3: Domestic Affliction. Defined as a personal or family tragedy, incident or emergency that does not allow an athlete to attend the BC Championships, or accept selection to a BC Team. Notification must be made to the BC Athletics technical manager as soon as it is possible to do so;
- Exemption 4: Education, Exam or Graduation Commitment. A letter from a “school representative” must be provided to BC Athletics prior to the start of the BC Championships or selection to a BC Team. A “school representative” is defined as only an Academic Advisor/Counselor of Professor/Teacher only.

Athletes who have received High Performance Athlete Support (BC AAP and/or IPS) are reminded that they must make themselves available for BC Team Selection unless otherwise cleared by BC Athletics.

## 7.0 APPEALS

- 7.1 Only athletes who have achieved the published standard (Appendix A) during the published qualifying period (section 2.7) or have met the selection criteria (section 4.0) may submit an appeal.
- 7.2 Appeals for Selection are to be submitted only by filling out the online BC Team Program Appeal for Selection Form [[CLICK HERE](#)].
- 7.3 Appeals must be submitted within 24 hours of the announcement of the team selection (section 2.9). Appeals submitted after this time will not be accepted under any circumstances.

## 8.0 AMENDMENTS

BC Athletics reserves the right to amend this document at any time up to the Selection Date for changes imposed by parties external to BC Athletics, or for changes that, in the opinion of BC Athletics would improve or enhance the selection process.

Any changes made by BC Athletics are deemed to come into effect immediately upon publication on the BC Athletics website. Additional publication of the amended Selection Criteria will be made by whatever means and wherever the original Selection Criteria was published.

## APPENDIX A - BC Junior Team Selection Standards

| Women    | Event       | Men                     |
|----------|-------------|-------------------------|
| 11.90    | 100m        | 10.84                   |
| 24.45    | 200m        | 21.81                   |
| 55.25    | 400m        | 48.14                   |
| 2:09.20  | 800m        | 1:50.88                 |
| 4:28.20  | 1500m       | 3:49.99                 |
| 9:42.38  | 3000m       |                         |
| 16:45.45 | 5000m       | 14:55.59                |
|          | 10,000m     | 31:36.75                |
| 52:52.0  | 10KM Walk   | 46:20.0                 |
| 14.20    | 100mH       |                         |
|          | 110mH       | 14.53 - JR   15.13 - SR |
| 60.75    | 400mH       | 53.59                   |
| 11:08.63 | 3000mSC     | 9:10.00                 |
| 1.70     | High Jump   | 2.03                    |
| 3.60     | Pole Vault  | 4.50                    |
| 5.85     | Long Jump   | 6.93                    |
| 11.90    | Triple Jump | 14.10                   |
| 12.83    | Shot Put    | 16.30 - JR   14.82 - SR |
| 42.66    | Discus      | 47.33 - JR   44.27 - SR |
| 51.89    | Hammer      | 56.16 - JR   51.05 - SR |
| 44.99    | Javelin     | 58.49                   |
| 4771     | Heptathlon  |                         |
|          | Decathlon   | 6218 - JR   5865 - SR   |

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- The 10KM RW standard is based on the average of IAAF Points for all other events;
- In cases where both A or B options resulted in a standard higher than the IAAF World Junior Standard, the team standard was set at the IAAF World Junior Standard (W400m, W800, W1500, W100mH, W400mH, M3000SC);
- Senior specifications are provided for relevant events;
- M 10,000m standard is based on IAAF points for M 5000m standard (823 pts);
- W 5000m standard is based on IAAF points for W 3000m standard (968 pts);