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2019 Western Canada Summer Games Team Selection Criteria

The 2019 Western Canada Summer Games (WCSG) Trials will be held in the Summer of 2019. (End of June/early July, however the exact date is still TBD). All athletes interested in being considered for the team will be required to submit a declaration of interest.

The qualifying period for achieving the Team Selection Standards will **begin April 1, 2019 and will include all outdoor performances achieved until the completion of the WCSG Trials.**

To be eligible for selection, athletes must be under 20 years of age as of December 31, 2018 (i.e. born in 1999 or later); Wheelchair athletes are eligible if they are 30 years of age or under as of December 31, 2018 (i.e. born in 1988 or later); Special O athletes must be under 28 as of December 31, 2018 (i.e. born in 1991 or later).

Performances that are wind assisted or have no wind information will not be accepted for qualifying. Altitude assisted performances will also not be accepted. Performances must also be achieved with the Canada Games appropriate implement weights and Hurdles heights and spacings.

Youth aged athletes will be eligible for selection to the Team. Due to the timing of Legion Nationals and WCSG, the coaching staff will consult with the athlete and their personal coach to make a decision on how many and which events will best meet the needs of the individual athlete. Travel to the Games may require special arrangements.

Final Team Selection will occur after the completion of the Trials with all members being contacted within the week following the selection meet.

The process to finalize team selections will occur in the order listed below. Once the team size is reached based on going through each of the steps, the selection process will end.

- 1) First place at the selection trials, having achieved the A standard
- 2) Second place at the selection trials, having achieved the A standard
- 3) Third place at the selection trials, having achieved the A standard
- 4) Appeals from an athlete who has achieved the A standard (see Appeals section)
- 5) First place at the selection trials, having achieved the B standard
- 6) Second place at the selection trials, having achieved the B standard
- 7) Third place at the selection trials, having achieved the B standard
- 8) Appeals from an athlete who has achieved the B standard (see Appeals section)
- 9) Athlete has an ability to contribute to a relay
- 10) First place at the selection trials, having achieved the C standard
- 11) Second place at the selection trials, having achieved the C standard
- 12) Third place at the selection trials, having achieved the C standard
- 13) Appeals from an athlete who has achieved the C standard (see Appeals section)
- 14) The Head Coach will have the authority to add an athlete in an event if there are not already three eligible athletes in that event.

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APPEALS

Only athletes who are eligible to be considered for selection (i.e. have met the athlete eligibility requirements) and who have achieved a standard in 2019 may submit a letter of appeal for selection. Appeals are only accepted if an athlete is not able to compete in their event at the trials. All appeal letters, whether medical or extenuating circumstances, must be submitted along with supporting documentation indicating that the athlete will be competition ready in time for the Games. These appeal letters must be submitted to the Team Manager prior to the start of the WCSG Trials.

COMPETITIVE READINESS REQUIREMENTS

Once selected to the team, athletes with questionable competitive readiness due to lack of fitness, injury or illness may be removed from the team at any time. Athletes will be required to immediately report any injury, illness or change in training that could affect their ability to compete at their highest level at the Games. Notification must be sent to Head Coach, Alanna Boudreau (execdirector@athleticsmanitoba.com). Failure to report injury or illness prior to the event may result in the athlete being deselected from the team.

“Competitive readiness” is the ability of the athlete to achieve equal or superior performance(s) at the Games, as compared to the performance(s) the athlete achieved in qualifying for the team. If an athlete’s competitive readiness is in question, a performance test involving the Personal Coach, Team Event Group Coach and Head Coach will be arranged. This test will vary in accordance with the event, injury or illness. Failure to demonstrate adequate health, fitness, and/or readiness by the end of the 2019 Tri Province Meet may result in removal from the team.

FUNDING

There will be some funding available for athletes who have achieved A Standard. The qualifying period to achieve a funding standard will begin April 1, 2019 and includes all outdoor performances achieved until the completion of the WCSG. This funding can be used to offset travel and training costs. These funds will be available retroactively after the 2019 Outdoor season with the submission of an application form.

**** Please note that this criteria is subject to change /update ****