



## Athletics Canada National Track & Field Tour

### Introduction

As stated in its [2028 Strategic Plan](#), Athletics Canada aims to develop an “Increased number of high-level competitions in Canada”. To achieve this Athletics Canada aims to work closely with its Provincial/Territorial Branches, Clubs, Local Organizing Committees (LOCs), and Meet Directors to host a series of high-performance competitions, for athletes in both the Olympic & Paralympic streams, during the outdoor track & field season. The purpose of this domestic series is to:

1. Provide meaningful competition opportunities for athletes, at home, in Canada
2. Host events whereby Canadian athletes can earn valuable World Ranking points
3. Reduce the amount of travel required by Canadian Athletes
4. Help to develop athletes for future National Team representation

### World Athletics World Ranking System – A Brief Overview

World Athletics has undertaken to create a global Ranking System where athletes score points based on a combination of result and place depending on the level of the competition in which the result is achieved. The ranking is then based on their average score over a certain number of competitions in a defined period of time. The calendar of the competitions, where athletes are able to score ranking points, is limited to competitions holding a World Athletics or National Permit.

World Athletics has the exclusive right to determine to which Category a given competition should be assigned. Categorization of Area Permit competitions will be agreed with the corresponding Area Association. Specific national permit competitions (other than National Senior Championships) will be placed in category E as designated by the Member Federation in agreement with, and subject to quotas established by World Athletics. All other national permit competitions are placed in category F.

More information on the World Rankings can be found on the World Athletics website [here](#).



## Competition Eligibility Requirements

Meet Directors wishing to have their competition considered for the 2023 Athletics Canada National Track & Field Tour must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- LOCs must be an affiliated Club/Organization/Society for which, all individual members must have a current and appropriate Athletics Canada Branch membership
- Competition must be sanctioned by a Provincial/Territorial Branch
- Competition must obtain World Para Athletics (WPA) Sanctioning
- Competition must align with one of the Competition Label Minimum Requirements outlined below

## Athletics Canada National Track & Field Tour Applications

Applications to the National Track & Field Tour may be submitted via application to Athletics Canada by **Sept 8, 2023**. In the absence of receiving an upgrade, all other competitions will be processed according to “Category F” in the World Athletics rankings.

### Minimum Requirements for Application – Matrix

(See World Athletics “C1.4 Continental Tour Regulations” for full documentation)

Competition Label	WACT - Gold	WACT - SILVER	WACT - Bronze	WACT – Challenger Series	National Permit Meet
<b>Category</b>	A	B	C	D	E
<b>Target # of Competitions in Canada</b>	0	2	2	4	2
<b>Prize Purse (Minimum)</b>	\$180,000 USD  Minimum of 8 disciplines (which must include the HT) must offer \$15,000 USD & a minimum of 6 disciplines must offer \$10,000 USD	\$75,000 USD	\$25,000 USD	\$10,000 - \$24,000 USD	\$2,500 CDN
<b>Min. Spectator Capacity</b>	5,000 (min. 60% attendance)	5,000 (minimum 60% attendance)	5,000 (minimum 60% attendance)	4,000	2,000
<b>Min. Lanes</b>	8 Lanes	8 Lanes	8 Lanes	8 Lanes	8 lanes
<b>Track Certification</b>	Minimum WA Class 2	Minimum WA Class 2	Minimum WA Class 2	Minimum WA Class 2	Minimum WA Class 2
<b>Equipment</b>	World Athletics Certified	World Athletics Certified	World Athletics Certified	World Athletics Certified	World Athletics Certified



<b>Implements</b>	Certified (personal and those provided by the Organiser)	Certified (personal and those provided by the Organiser)	Certified (personal and those provided by the Organiser)	Certified (personal and those provided by the Organiser)	Certified (personal and those provided by the Organiser)
<b>Timing</b>	Fully automatic timing obtained from a Photo Finish System	Fully automatic timing obtained from a Photo Finish System	Fully automatic timing obtained from a Photo Finish System	Fully automatic timing obtained from a Photo Finish System	Fully automatic timing obtained from a Photo Finish System
<b>Results</b>	Public access to live results	Public access to live results	Public access to live results	Public access to live results	Public access to live results
<b>Measurement</b>	EDM and/or approved VDM equipment	EDM and/or approved VDM equipment	EDM (Mandatory)	EDM (Strongly Recommended)	EDM (Recommended)
<b>Display</b>	Minimum 2 clocks, 3 Electronic infield Boards	Minimum 2 clocks, 3 Electronic infield Boards	2 clocks, 3 Electronic infield Boards	2 infield timing boards (double sided), one infield scoring board per field event,	2 infield timing boards (double sided), one infield scoring board per field event,
<b>Data processing / Stadium WIFI</b>	TV compatible	ResultTV Compatible. Requires Lynx  Minimum 100 Mbps (Upload & Download)	ResultTV Compatible. Requires Lynx  Minimum 100 Mbps (Upload & Download)	ResultTV Compatible. Requires Lynx  Minimum 100 Mbps (Upload & Download)	ResultTV Compatible. Requires Lynx  Minimum 100 Mbps (Upload & Download)
<b>Live Broadcast Platform</b>	AthleticsCanada.TV	AthleticsCanada.TV	AthleticsCanada.TV	AthleticsCanada.TV	AthleticsCanada.TV (Recommended)
<b>Video Screen</b>	Minimum 1 (minimum size 40m2) with both Image and data	Minimum 1 (minimum size 40m2) with both Image and data (Recommended)	Minimum 1 (minimum size 40m2) with both Image and data (Recommended)	Minimum 1 (minimum size 40m2) with both Image and data (Recommended)	Facilitates with a Video Screen this will be prioritized
<b>Promotion</b>	The Logos for the Continental Tour, NACAC, and Athletics Canada will be displayed on the home page of the event website and on all printed and promotional material. One Area infield and Area perimeter board will be displayed in prime position in	The Logos for the Continental Tour, NACAC, and Athletics Canada will be displayed on the home page of the event website and on all printed and promotional material. One Area infield and Area perimeter board will be displayed in prime position in	The Logos for the Continental Tour, NACAC, and Athletics Canada will be displayed on the home page of the event website and on all printed and promotional material. One Area infield and Area perimeter board will be displayed in prime position in	The Logos for the Continental Tour, NACAC, and Athletics Canada will be displayed on the home page of the event website and on all printed and promotional material. One Area infield and Area perimeter board will be displayed in prime position in	The Athletics Canada Logo will be displayed on the home page of the event website and on all printed and promotional material. One Area infield and Area perimeter board will be displayed in prime position.



	the main TV configuration. A one-page advertisement for the Area Association will be provided in the Official Programme, should the organisers decide to produce one.	the main TV configuration. A one-page advertisement for the Area Association will be provided in the Official Programme, should the organisers decide to produce one.	the main TV configuration. A one-page advertisement for the Area Association will be provided in the Official Programme, should the organisers decide to produce one.	the main TV configuration. A one-page advertisement for the Area Association will be provided in the Official Programme, should the organisers decide to produce one.	
<b>Electronic False Start</b>	Obligatory	Recommended	Recommended	Recommended	Recommended
<b>Electronic Wind Gauge</b>	Obligatory	Recommended	Recommended	Recommended	Recommended
<b>Warm-up Area</b>	Adequate for all disciplines	Adequate for all disciplines	Adequate for all disciplines	Adequate for all disciplines	Adequate for all disciplines
<b>Anti-Doping</b>	A minimum of 12 urine tests must be conducted at the event, of which at least 4 must be analysed for Erythropoiesis Stimulating Agents (ESA).	A minimum of 6 urine tests must be conducted at the event, of which at least 2 must be analysed for Erythropoiesis Stimulating Agents (ESA).	A minimum of 5 urine tests must be conducted at the event.	A minimum of 5 urine tests must be conducted at the event.	At the discretion of Athletics Canada
<b>Medical</b>	Adequate Medical and Emergency Services on site, including emergency assistance and ambulance service, and minor stitching. Physiotherapy facilities at the stadium and at the Athletes' hotel.	Adequate Medical and Emergency Services on site, including emergency assistance and ambulance service, and minor stitching. Physiotherapy facilities at the stadium and at the Athletes' hotel.	Adequate Medical and Emergency Services on site, including emergency assistance and ambulance service, and minor stitching. Physiotherapy facilities at the stadium and at the Athletes' hotel.	Adequate Medical and Emergency Services on site, including emergency assistance and ambulance service, and minor stitching. Physiotherapy facilities at the stadium and at the Athletes' hotel.	Adequate Medical and Emergency Services on site, including emergency assistance and ambulance service, and minor stitching.
<b>Technical Delegate</b>	WA Technical Delegate	NACAC Technical Delegate	NACAC Technical Delegate	NACAC Technical Delegate	Athletics Canada Technical Delegate
<b>Hotel</b>	Minimum 4 star (****) (Wheelchair accessible)	Minimum 3 star (***) (Wheelchair accessible)	Minimum 3 star (***) (Wheelchair accessible)	Minimum 3 star (***) (Wheelchair accessible)	Minimum 3 star (***) (Wheelchair accessible)
<b>Athlete Transportation</b>	to/from hotel, stadium, airport,	to/from hotel, stadium, airport,	to/from hotel, stadium, airport,	to/from hotel, stadium, airport,	to/from hotel, stadium, airport,



	train station including wheelchair accessible options	train station including wheelchair accessible options	train station including wheelchair accessible options	train station including wheelchair accessible options	train station including wheelchair accessible options (Recommended)
<b>Vaulting Poles, Wheelchair Racing Chairs, Seated Throwing Frames</b>	Transport and storage	Transport and storage	Transport and storage	Transport and storage	Transport and storage (Recommended)
<b>Program (Events)</b>	<p>Organisers must stage a minimum of 12 events, with minimum five (5) events per gender including at least one (1) jumping and one (1) throwing event.</p> <p>*Organizers shall make all events (as applicable) inclusive of Para athletes.</p>	<p>Organisers must stage a minimum of 12 events, with minimum five (5) events per gender including at least one (1) jumping and one (1) throwing event.</p> <p>*Organizers shall make all events (as applicable) inclusive of Para athletes.</p>	<p>Organisers must stage a minimum of 12 events, with minimum five (5) events per gender including at least one (1) jumping and one (1) throwing event.</p> <p>*Organizers shall make all events (as applicable) inclusive of Para athletes.</p>	<p>Organizers must stage a minimum of ten (10) event, with minimum of five (5) events for each gender.</p> <p>*Organizers shall make all events (as applicable) inclusive of Para athletes.</p>	<p>Organizers are encouraged to stage a minimum of eight (8) high performance events, with minimum of four (4) events for each gender.</p> <p>*Organizers shall make all events (as applicable) inclusive of Para athletes.</p>
<b>Program (Duration)</b>	The Organiser shall make every effort to stage the main programme within two (2) consecutive hours.	The Organiser shall make every effort to stage the main programme within two and a half (2.5) consecutive hours.	The Organiser shall make every effort to stage the main programme within two and a half (2.5) consecutive hours.	The Organiser shall make every effort to stage the main programme within three (3) consecutive hours.	The Organiser shall make every effort to stage the main programme within three (3) consecutive hours.

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