

BC TEAM SELECTION CRITERIA

2025 TEAMBC CANADA SUMMER GAMES

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. CANADA SUMMER GAMES

The Canada Summer Games are a multi-sport event held every four years, featuring athletes from across Canada competing in a wide range of summer sports, such as athletics, swimming, soccer, and basketball. Established in 1967, the Games aim to foster national unity, celebrate Canadian sport, and provide a platform for emerging athletes to showcase their talent on a national stage. Athletes represent their provinces and territories, contributing to a spirited competition that highlights the diversity and athletic excellence of Canada's youth.

3. OVERVIEW

This document will serve as the selection document for the **2025 CANADA SUMMER GAMES TEAM. – Team BC**. 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 Able Body selection Criteria, please contact Program Manager for Track & Field, Garrett Collier at garrett.collier@bcathletics.org. For Para selection please contact Lisa Meyers at lisa@bcwheelchairsports.com.

4. 2025 IMPORTANT DATES

a. QUALIFICATION PERIOD(S)

DATE(S)	ITEM	NOTES
MARCH 01 – JULY 06, 2025	ABLE BODY ATHLETES	Performances on AC Rankings
MARCH 01 – JUNE 15, 2025	PARA ATHLETES	
TBD	SPECIAL OLYMPIC ATHLETES	

b. TEAM DATES

DATE(S)	ITEM	NOTES
MAY 31 – JUNE 01, 2025	Selection Trials	MEET INFO
JUNE 01, 2025	Athlete Declarations Due – Able Body	CLICK HERE
JUNE 09 – 11, 2025	TeamBC Able Body Selection	BCA Website
JUNE 15, 2025	Athlete Declaration Due - Para	CLICK HERE
JUNE 18, 2025	TeamBC Para Selection	BCA Website
JULY 04 – 06, 2025	BC Outdoor Track & Field Championships	MEET INFO
JULY 08, 2025	Able Body Team Roster Final	BCA Website
JULY 09, 2025	Para Reallocation Process Complete	
AUGUST 17, 2025	TeamBC Departure to St. John, NL	YVR – YYT
AUGUST 19 – 24, 2025	2025 Canada Summer Games	St. Johns, NL
AUGUST 25, 2025	TeamBC Return to Vancouver	YYT – YVR

5. FUNDING

BC Athletics, BC Wheelchair Sports and Special Olympics BC will provide support (pending confirmation of funding for 2025/2026) to those athletes selected to the 2025 TEAMBC Canada Summer Games Team.

Support for this team includes:

- i Travel to and from St. John's, NL 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 Games
- v Meals for the duration of the Games (excluding travel days)
- vi BC Team Competition Kit
- vii Team BC Games Ceremonial Kit
- viii Competition entry
- ix Support from Team BC Staff

6. ELIGIBILITY

6.1 ELIGIBLE ATHLETES

To be eligible for the 2025 TeamBC Canada Summer Games 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 (Able Body)
 - ii must be under 35 (YOB 1991) years of age or later as of December 31, 2025 (Para)
- g. Compete in the events they wish to be considered for at the 2025 Canada Summer Games Trials (Jesse Bent Memorial Meet, May 31 – June 1, 2025, in Coquitlam, BC).
- h. Submit a BC Team Athlete Declaration by
 - i June 1, 2025, for all Able Body Athletes
 - ii June 18th, 2025, for all Para Athletes
- i. 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).
- j. Must comply with Competitive Readiness Requirements outlined in Section 8

6.2 IN-ELIGIBLE ATHLETES

The following athletes are in-eligible for participation on TeamBC:

- 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 (ABLE BODY ONLY)

For the purposes of team selection, BC Athletics will use 2 sets of standards, Minimum and Automatic. The methodology for each set of standards is as follows:

a. ABLE BODY - MINIMUM STANDARDS METHODOLOGY

Minimum performance standards have been set by the Canada Games Council in partnership with Athletics Canada (NSO) to, “reflect the expected training and/or performance parameters of a typical Canada Games athlete in the Training to Compete phase of Long-Term Development (LTD). These Performance Guidelines have been developed as a tool for P/T teams to use at their discretion in the training and selection of their Canada Games teams.

b. ABLE BODY - AUTOMATIC STANDARDS METHODOLOGY

When producing automatic standards for the 2025 Canada Summer Games Team, BC Athletics works with the philosophy of “probable finalist, possible medallist.” The 2025 BC Canada Summer Games Team Automatic Standards are based on the average of 6th ranked performance from 2023, 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

The selection trials for Able Body athletes will be hosted at the:

2025 JESSE BENT MEMORIAL MEET / CANADA SUMMER GAMES TRIALS
MAY 31 - JUNE 1, 2025
COQUITLAM, BC (PERCY PERRY STADIUM)

Athletes wishing to be considered for this team will be required to compete at the trials event in the event(s) they wish to be considered in.

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 Program Manager for Track & Field at garrett.collier@bcathletics.org or lisa@bcwheelchairsports.com for Para results.

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.

- d. For Para: Performances completed prior to provisional classification that resulted in an advantage to achieve the performance result

example: Prior to provisional classification, an athlete competes as a F53 seated thrower where they throw a 3kg shot put and use strapping to hold their hand on the seated throws chair pole. However, after provisional classification they are classified as a F54 thrower who now throws a 4kg shot put and is not allowed to use strapping on their hand. Their performances achieved in the parameters as a F53 seated thrower will be deemed ineligible.

7.5 SELECTION PROCESS

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

- a. ABLE BODY ATHLETES
 - i Athletes who have achieved the **Automatic Standard**. *

*Note: only one (1) athlete per event can be selected in this category. All athletes must compete at the selection meet unless they qualify for an exemption (see below). Those athletes who qualify for this exemption must prove competitive readiness at the BC Athletics

Outdoor Track & Field Championships July 4-6, 2025, in Coquitlam,

- ii **Winner in Standard**, in the selection trials
- iii **Winner in Non-Standard** in the selection trials but having achieved the published standard during the qualification period (see Section 4)
- iv **Non-Winner in Standard**
- v **Non-Winner in Non-Standard** but having achieved the published standard during the qualification period (see Section 4)
- vi Other athletes may be considered to fill the team quota. Selection of these athletes will be based on performances at the selection trials and results during the qualification period. Selection of athletes under this category will not be eligible for appeal.
- vii Athletes unable to compete at the selection trials for the reasons listed below will have their performances considered relative to the selection criteria. Notification to BC Athletics is required prior to the start of the first day of competition of the selection trials via the [BC TEAM SELECTION TRIALS EXEMPTION FORM](#).

Exemption 1: Injury or Illness. Notification from primary care practitioner must be provided prior to the start of the selection trials.

Exemption 2: Conflict with a competition in the sport of athletics deemed to be of greater importance. Examples of these include Canadian Team Competitions, National Championships or other major events in the sport of Athletics. Notification must be provided to the BC Athletics technical manager before or at the time of selection.

Exemption 3: Domestic Affliction. Defined as a personal or family tragedy, incident or emergency that does not allow an athlete to attend the Team BC Selection Trials 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 Team BC Selection Trials or Selection to a BC Team. A “school representative” is defined only as an Academic Advisor/Counselor or Professor/Teacher only.

b. **PARA ATHLETES**

- i Athletes will initially be categorized based on their discipline (ie. wheelchair racing, para throws, and ambulatory running) and gender (ie. male & female)
- ii Within each of discipline, athletes will be ranked by their Raza point value, using the most current Raza Points Calculator – Open Competition posted on the [World Para Athletics site](#)
- iii The top ranked male and female athlete in each discipline will be moved to a “Tier A” selection pool of athletes. All remaining athletes will be moved to a “Tier B” selection pool

- iv The selection panel will review the “Tier A” pool of athletes and select one athlete from each discipline, based on (but not limited to) the following factors (the order of factors does not imply an order of priority for the selection panel):
 - (a) Best performance(s)/RAZA point value(s) during qualifying period
 - (b) Competition evidence of the ability to perform on demand, preferably in the same event and at a national level competition
 - (c) Number of years training/competing in declared events
 - (d) Number of events to be contested by the athlete at the 2025 Canada Summer Games
 - (e) Gender breakdown of selected athletes, as imposed by the Canada Summer Games Para Athlete selection criteria
- v All unselected athletes from “Tier A” will be moved to the “Tier B” selection pool. The selection panel will review the “Tier B” selection pool athletes and select the remaining position(s) using the same consideration factors as above
- vi The selection panel will review all remaining athletes and identify the list of athletes to be nominated for the reallocation process using the same consideration factors as above.

7.6 COMBINED EVENTS

Those athletes wishing to be considered for selection in the combined events (Decathlon/Heptathlon) for the 2025 Canada Summer Games team must:

- a. Compete in the selection trials meet (see Section 7.2) in a run, jump and throw event. Those 3 events will be scored, and the score must exceed 30% of the Minimum Standard for Decathlon and 42% of the Minimum Standard for Heptathlon. Percentages are reflective of 3 events from the total number of events in each combined event discipline (3/10 for Decathlon and 3/7 for Heptathlon).
- b. Have a competitive result on the 2025 Outdoor Athletics Canada Rankings for a full senior decathlon/heptathlon during the qualifying period.

7.7 PRELIMINARY ROSTER – ABLE BODY ONLY

A preliminary roster will be released no later than Thursday, June 6, 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 Canada Summer Games selection and registration deadlines set forth by TeamBC, 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 the team.

7.8 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 TeamBC 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.

7.9 FINAL TEAM ROSTER

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

ALTERNATES: Understanding the competitive season in August, BC Athletics will also maintain a roster of alternates who may be selected later should roster spots become available.

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 two (2) entries per event per Province/Territory. Exceptions are permitted for Para events and Special Olympics events due to reallocation.

For additional restrictions, please see Section 6

9.2 TEAM EVENT

2025 CANADA SUMMER GAMES
AUGUST 18-24, 2025*
ST. JOHNS, NEWFOUNDLAND

The 2025 Canada Summer Games is a 2-week event. Athletics is in WEEK 2. Athletes will only be onsite for the second week of the games.

9.3 TEAM SIZE

TeamBC has been allotted a team size of:

- i 50 able-bodied athletes (male: up to 27; female: up to 27)
- ii 4 Para athletics athletes (men: up to 2; women: up to 2)
- iii 4 Special Olympics athletes (men: up to 2; female: up to 2)

- iv 8 staff members

9.4 TEAM FEES

The team fee for this team will be **\$300.00 + GST**. This is payable prior to departure by the athlete or their Club. Athletes will be invoiced prior to departure.

9.5 TEAM ENTRIES

There is a maximum of two (2) entries per event per Province/Territory. Exceptions are permitted for Para events and Special Olympics events due to reallocation.

Team BC will enter all selected athletes into the Canada Summer Games.

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, TeamBC Staff in consultation with the athlete and personal coach.

9.6 TEAM TRAVEL

Travel with TeamBC is MANDATORY.

Team BC will be arranging travel for all Team BC athletes from Vancouver to St. Johns. The team will depart Vancouver on Monday, August 18th returning to Vancouver on Monday, August 25, 2025. BC Athletics will make travel arrangements for all athletes that reside outside of the Lower Mainland and Fraser Valley. If travelling to and from the Canada Summer Games 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 TeamBC accommodations is MANDATORY.

The Canada Summer Games will make all arrangements for accommodations for all Team BC athletes and staff. The accommodation for the Canada Summer Games is in the dormitories at Memorial University.

9.8 TEAM COMMUNICATION

BC Team Staff and Team BC 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 Program Manager for Track & Field Garrett Collier at garrett.collier@bcathletics.org.

APPENDIX A

2025 TEAMBC STANDARDS

WOMEN		EVENT	MEN	
STANDARD	AUTOMATIC		STANDARD	AUTOMATIC
12.28	11.42	100m	10.94	10.13
25.06	23.27	200m	22.06	20.61
57.30	52.04	400m	49.38	46.39
2:12.53	2:02.38	800m	1:53.57	1:47.34
4:34.18	4:10.93	1500m	3:53.28	3:38.47
20:18.21	15:32.77	5000m	15:26.75	13:37.26
15.40	13.27	100mH		
		110mH	16.00	14.07
1:05.98	58.73	400mH	59.76	52.14
12:09.04	9:51.53	3000mSC	11:34.56	8:37.75
1.60m	1.77m	High Jump	1.85m	2.10m
3.10m	4.10m	Pole Vault	3.80m	5.06m
5.43m	6.12m	Long Jump	6.53m	7.38m
11.11m	12.66m	Triple Jump	13.01m	15.26m
10.63m	14.79m	Shot Put	12.32m	17.03m
33.45m	50.46m	Discus	38.17m	49.65m
37.48m	62.27m	Hammer	30.66m	63.51m
32.46m	49.78m	Javelin	46.06m	68.21m
4394 pts	5427 pts	Heptathlon		
		Decathlon	5423 pts	6731 pts

APPENDIX B

CHANGE HISTORY

DATE	CHANGE/NOTE
03.26.25	Criteria posted