

Ontario Winter Games: Athlete Selection Policy  
Biathlon Ontario

**Purpose**

This document outlines the athlete selection procedure for the biennial Ontario Winter Games.

**Aims**

- (1) To select the top athletes from eligible clubs for the Ontario Winter Games;
- (2) To promote provincial development so as to become a Core Sport in 2014.

**Preliminaries**

- (1) All member clubs of Biathlon Ontario in good standing are eligible for athlete allocations to the Ontario Winter Games;
- (2) "Athletes", "coaches", "Officials" refer to those individuals that are members in good standing of Biathlon Ontario registered under the categories bearing the same name;
- (3) Athletes, coaches and officials not members in good standing of Biathlon Ontario are not **are not** included or considered for the purpose of this selection;

**Selection Procedure**

*Part I: Club competitor spot allocations*

- (1) Biathlon Ontario must distribute 15 female and 15 male athlete allocations to its member clubs and Cadet programs;
- (2) Allocations will be distributed in a proportional manner. The proportion of the total competitor spots allocated to a club is equal to the score achieved on the distribution matrix outlined in Appendix A;
- (3) Female and male allocations are calculated separately;
- (4) All selected athletes must be registered members in good standing with Biathlon Ontario prior to the submission of their information **outline is Part III section (1).**

*Part II: Internal club selection*

- (1) All clubs allocated competitor spots will execute an internal selection with the goal of selecting the athletes most prepared to compete at a provincial championship.
- (2) The selection process should aim to evaluate the following areas:
  - (a) Physical preparedness;
  - (b) Mental preparedness;
  - (c) Knowledge of IBU rules;
  - (d) Commitment to the sport of biathlon;
- (3) A well planned and executed time trial and ranking is considered a satisfactory internal selection procedure.

*Part III: Unfilled spots*

- (1) Should a club not be able to provide an eligible athlete for one of their allocated spots the spot will be given to the top ranked club. Further unfilled spots

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will go to the second, third, fourth... ranked club. A club will not be offered an additional unfilled spot until this spot has been offered to all other clubs ranked above the club in question.

- (2) If no club can fill a spot with an eligible athlete the spot will be given to the Cadet program. Cadet spots will be distributed to cadets that are residents of Ontario. Athlete selection will be the responsibility of the Cadet organization. They should seek to select an athlete that will be competitive at this caliber of event.

*Part IV: Post-selection administration and deadlines*

- (1) Clubs must send a list of selected athletes to the VP Competition. These must be received no later than January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012;
- (2) Selected athletes must complete the forms in Appendix B and submit it to the VP Competition. The VP Competition must receive the forms no later than January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012. The completed forms package includes:
  - (a) Participant Application Form;
  - (b) Participant Waiver Form;