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#### **HIGH PERFORMANCE BULLETINS**

The High Performance Committee – Short Track (HPCST) will issue bulletins periodically throughout the season informing skaters, coaches and associations of any update and/or changes to selection criteria, competitions, etc.

The HPCST reserves the right to modify or change the enclosed policies in the event that exceptional circumstances arise and that any such changes are clearly in the best interest of the high performance program. In these situations all athletes and coaches will be advised of any changes as soon as they are confirmed by the HPCST.

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### **General Information**

Bulletin 179 describes the selection criteria, and entry requirements for competitions during the 2018-2019 season. A graphic, simplified version of the national and international HP competition program is in the section entitled Competition Progression.

#### Notification

All National and Development Team members must have completed and signed a National Team Agreement in order to be eligible for selection to any of the following competitions.

### **Team Selection Procedures**

All skaters must qualify for international competition through the standards set by the ISU to be eligible to compete in each event. Speed Skating Canada will select athletes for each event in accordance with the following general procedures.

Skaters may request a Bye for selection as detailed in the procedure and policy for the allocation of Byes. The Policy can be found on the SSC website in Bulletin 182.

### National Team Uniforms

All skaters are required to wear cut resistant clothing (undergarment or racing suit) that meets the ISU standards as described in ISU Communication 1265.

ISU regulations regarding helmets in International competitions are available in ISU Communication 2088.

### **Specific to International competitions**

#### Naming of Teams

Selection to a Team is provisional until any and all bye requests have been considered.

Once all bye requests have been considered, SSC will then formally announce a team by posting the team list on the SSC website. Every effort will be made to ensure that this occurs within 7 days of the selection event.

For each Team, the HPCST will name an alternate athlete in the event that a replacement is required. The naming of the alternate may come after the naming of the initial team and is at the sole discretion of the HPCST.

#### Replacement of Skaters

The HPCST reserves the right to replace a skater if medical advice is such that competing in the event may be potentially injurious to the selected skater or that the skater has not recovered sufficiently from an existing injury.

If a skater who is named to a team withdraws or declines his/her position on the team prior to departure for the competition he/she will be replaced on that team at the discretion of the HPCST, and according to budgetary considerations.

If a skater who is named to a team withdraws from that team due to injury, illness etc following departure for the competition, or series of competitions he/she may be replaced on the team at the discretion of the HPCST.

### **Specific to National Competitions**

In order to compete in these competitions skaters must be Canadian citizens and registered participants of Speed Skating Canada. The competitions will be held on the ISU 111.12m oval track. ISU racing rules will apply unless otherwise indicated by SSC.

During an event sanctioned by Speed Skating Canada, athletes must not wear a competition uniform (skin suit) identified as belonging to a national team or to another country, unless he or she belongs to that team or country at the time of the competition. (SSC Rule N1-106).

In addition, no Speed Skating Canada National or Development Team skin suit from a previous season is permitted to be worn by any skater during any National event detailed in this Bulletin unless authorized by the Short Track High Performance Director.

### Registration procedure

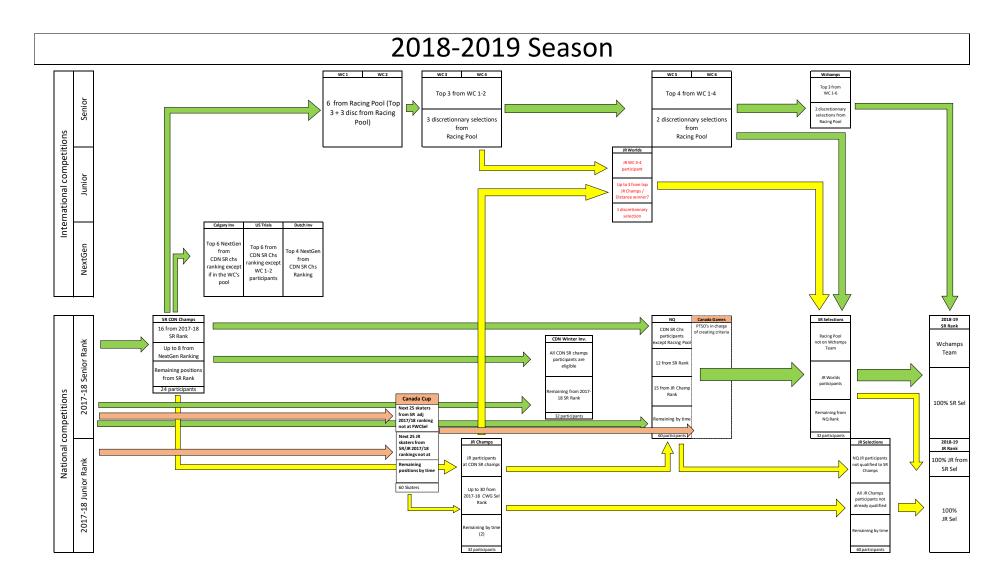
Skaters are required to confirm their intent to participate to Speed Skating Canada **through their branch by:** 

Competition	Dates	Location	Posting of list of pre- qualified	Deadline to confirm participation or submit entries & payment	Posting of final entry list	Deadline for replacements for late withdrawals
Canadian Short	September 21-23	Montreal, QC	-	September 10	September	September
Track					06	17
Championships						
Short Track Canada						
Cup	November 16-18	Laval, QC	October 1	October 15	October 17	November 12
<b>Canadian Junior</b>						
Championships	December 14-16	Calgary, AB	November 21	November 26	November 30	December 10
<b>Canadian Winter</b>						
Invitational	January 11-13	Montreal, QC	October 22	<del>December 10</del>	<del>December 17</del>	January 7
<b>Canadian National</b>						
Open Qualifier	February 1-3	Montreal, QC	December 21	January 7	January 9	January 28
Canadian <del>Senior</del>						
Selections	March 8-10	Calgary, AB	February 13	February 15	February 18	March 4
Canadian Junior						
Selections	March 15-17	Sherbrooke, QC	February 13	February 18	February 22	March 11

#### PLEASE NOTE:

- Participants NOT confirmed by the deadline to confirm will be replaced by the next ranked eligible skater until the deadline for replacements for late withdrawals. After this date, no more changes will be made to the entry list, except in exceptional circumstances which will be decided by the HPCST and will be limited to until 24 hrs prior to the start of the competition.
- Entry submission and confirmation for skaters outside the National Training Centres will ONLY be accepted by the branch coaches who wish to verify whether their skaters have been submitted must consult the website or communicate with their branch
- Entries should only be submitted for skaters who are intending to compete
- Registration fees will be charged to the branch for skaters who enter and then choose to withdraw without medical reason.

### **Competition Progression**



This document is available in a larger format on the SSC website.

# 2018 / 19 International Competition Team Selection Criteria

### Racing Pool

### Preamble:

In order to represent Canada at ISU World Cups and World Championships for 2018-19, athletes will first need to qualify for the Racing Pool. Athletes in the Racing Pool will be expected to train together at the National Training Centre in Montreal for at least part of the season.

Quota: The Racing Pool will be composed of eight (8) men and (8) women.\*

### Sequence of decisions for inclusion on the Racing Pool per gender

Step 1 Select the **six (6) highest ranked** athletes from the Canadian Short Track Championships, based on ranking of totals of best two distances.

If a tie in points exists, the skater with the highest finish position in their 3rd best distance will be ranked higher. If a tie persists, cumulative seeding points of the 3 distances will be used for breaking the tie.

Step 2 If a request has been made for a **bye**, it will be evaluated according to the Bye Policy (see Bulletin 182).

If the athlete requesting the bye is placed among the top 7 positions of the adjusted Canadian Short Track Championships ranking based on best two (2) distances, the athlete will be selected to the Racing Pool in the **7**<sup>th</sup> **position**.

If no request has been made for a bye, or the application of the bye has not resulted in the athlete being placed within the top 7 of the adjusted Canadian Short Track Championships ranking based on best two (2) distances, then the **7**<sup>th</sup> **highest ranked athlete** from this same ranking will be selected to the Pool.

Step 3 The HPCST, based on the recommendation of the National Team coaches, will confirm **one**(1) athlete to be selected to the Racing Pool according to the guidelines for discretionary selections as specified on page 10.

\*The HPC reserves the right to name up to one (1) additional athlete per gender to the Racing Pool at any point during the season, based on either:

- (1) exceptional performances in training or competition; OR
- (2) due to the extended injury of a current member of the Pool

Any addition proposed on this basis will be according to the National team coaches evaluation and pending approval by the committee.

### World Cups 1 and 2

### **Eligibility:**

ISU determines the eligibility of Canada to submit entries for the World Cups. An eligible skater is a skater who has reached the age of 15, by July 1st, 2018. (ISU Rule #108)

Quota: The World Cups teams 2018/19 will be composed of six (6) women and six (6) men.

### Sequence of decisions and team selection criteria: World Cups 1-2

Step 1 Select top **three (3) ranked** athletes from the Canadian Short Track Championships, based on ranking of totals of best two distances.

If a tie in points exists, the skater with the highest finish position in their 3rd best distance will be ranked higher. If a tie persists, cumulative seeding points of the 3 distances will be used for breaking the tie.

Step 2 The HPCST, based on the recommendation of the National Team coaches, will confirm three (3) athletes from the Racing Pool to be selected according to the guidelines for discretionary selections as specified on page 10.

Athletes will be evaluated by the national team coaches according to the following criteria, or any other criteria deemed relevant in order to select the athletes to the team in Step 2 above (listed in no particular order):

- Potential for Podium performances
- International performances & experience (limited to Olympic Games, ISU World Cups & World Championships Senior or Junior & FISU Universiades)
- National performances
- Training performance
- Readiness for competition
- Commitment to the training program
- Medical and health status

### World Cups 3 and 4

### **Eligibility:**

ISU determines the eligibility of Canada to submit entries for the World Cups. An eligible skater is a skater who has reached the age of 15, by July 1st, 2018. (ISU Rule #108)

Quota: The World Cups teams 2018/19 will be composed of six (6) women and six (6) men.

### Sequence of decisions and team selection criteria: World Cups 3-4

- Step 1 Select **top three (3)** athletes based on a ranking of each athlete's highest world cup classification attained in either the 500m, 1000m or 1500m distances after World Cup 1-2. If a tie exists, the skater with the highest points in the distance will be ranked higher. If a tie persists, the athlete with the highest world ranking in their second best distance will be favored.
- Step 2 The HPCST, based on the recommendation of the National Team coaches, will approve three (3) athletes from the Racing Pool to be selected according to the guidelines for discretionary selections as specified on page 10.

Athletes will be evaluated by the national team coaches according to the following criteria, or any other criteria deemed relevant in order to select the athletes to the team in Step 2 above (listed in no particular order):

- Potential for Podium performances
- International performances & experience (limited to Olympic Games, ISU World Cups & World Championships Senior or Junior & FISU Universiades)
- National performances
- Training performance
- Readiness for competition
- Commitment to the training program
- Medical and health status

Should the performance of any athlete on the team at the first two World Cups not meet the expectations of the National Team coaches, s/he may be replaced at the sole discretion of the relevant National Team coach for World Cup 3 and 4. The athlete chosen to take this place on the team will be selected according to the criteria listed in point 2 above.

<u>NOTE:</u> Junior athletes who are selected to compete at World Cups 3 & 4 will be automatically preselected to represent Canada at the World Junior Championships and thus be exempt from competing at the Canadian Junior Championships.

### World Cups 5 and 6

### **Eligibility:**

ISU determines the eligibility of Canada to submit entries for the World Cups. An eligible skater is a skater who has reached the age of 15, by July 1st, 2018. (ISU Rule #108)

Quota: The World Cups teams 2018/19 will be composed of six (6) women and six (6) men.

### Sequence of decisions and team selection criteria: World Cups 5-6

- Step 1 Select **top four (4) ranked** athletes based on a ranking of each athlete's highest world cup classification attained in either the 500m, 1000m or 1500m distances after World Cup 1-4. If a tie exists, the skater with the highest points in the distance will be ranked higher. If a tie persists, the athlete with the highest world ranking in their second best distance will be favored.
- Step 2 The HPCST, based on the recommendation of the National Team coaches, will approve **two**(2) athletes from the Racing Pool to be selected according to the guidelines for discretionary selections as specified on page 10.

Athletes will be evaluated by the national team coaches according to the following criteria, or any other criteria deemed relevant in order to select the athletes to the team in Step 2 above (listed in no particular order):

- Potential for Podium performances
- International performances & experience (limited to Olympic Games, ISU World Cups & World Championships Senior or Junior & FISU Universiades)
- National performances
- Training performance
- Readiness for competition
- Commitment to the training program
- Medical and health status

Should the performance of any athlete on the team at the first four World Cups not meet the expectations of the National Team coaches, s/he may be replaced at the sole discretion of the National Team coach for World Cup 5 and 6. The athlete chosen to take this place on the team will be selected according to the criteria listed in point 2 above.

### **World Short Track Championships**

#### **Eligibility:**

ISU Rule 281 determines the eligibility of Canada to submit entries for this Championship. An eligible skater is a skater who has reached the age of 15, by July 1st, 2018. (ISU Rule #108)

**Quota:** If each relay team qualifies in the top eight (8) of the World Relay Classification, then the team will be composed of five (5) women and five (5) men, otherwise it will be composed of three (3) athletes in the gender that did not qualify.

### Sequence of decisions and team selection criteria: team quota of five (5)

- Step 1 Select **top three (3)** athletes based on a ranking of each athlete's highest world cup classification attained in either the 500m, 1000m or 1500m distances after World Cup 1-6. If a tie exists, the skater with the highest points in the distance will be ranked higher. If a tie persists, the athlete with the highest world ranking in their second best distance will be favored.
- Step 2 If a request has been made for a **bye**, it will be evaluated according to the Bye Policy (see Bulletin 182).

If the athlete requesting the bye is placed among the top 3 positions, the athlete will be selected to the Team in the **4**<sup>th</sup> **position**.

If no request has been made for a bye, or the application of the bye has not resulted in the athlete being placed among the top 3 positions, then **proceed to step 3**.

Step 3 The HPCST, in consultation with the National Team coaches, will select the athlete(s) from the Racing Pool for the remaining position(s) according to the guidelines for discretionary selections noted below.

Athletes will be evaluated by the national team coaches according to the following criteria, or any other criteria deemed relevant in order to select the athletes to the team in Step 2 above (listed in no particular order):

- International relay performances & experience (limited to Olympic Games, ISU World Cups and World Championships, both Junior and Senior)
- Relay training performance
- Readiness for competition
- Team dynamics
- Commitment to the training program
- Medical and health status

### Sequence of decisions and team selection criteria: team quota of three (3)

Step 1 Select **top two (2)** athletes based on a ranking of each athlete's highest world cup classification attained in either the 500m, 1000m or 1500m distances after World Cup 1-6.

If a tie exists, the skater with the highest points in the distance will be ranked higher. If a tie persists, the athlete with the highest world ranking in their second best distance will be favored.

Step 2 If a request has been made for a **bye**, it will be evaluated according to the Bye Policy (see Bulletin 182).

If the athlete requesting the bye is placed among the top 3 positions, the athlete will be selected to the Team in the **3<sup>rd</sup> position**.

If no request has been made for a bye, or the application of the bye has not resulted in the athlete being placed on the team, then **the third athlete based upon the ranking** described in step 1 will be added to the team.

#### **Individual distances**

Canada's quota to skate individual distances at the 2019 World Short Track Championships from the ISU is three (3) athletes per gender. The top athlete per gender identified in Step 1 (above) will automatically be entered for the individual distances at the World Championship competition. The remaining individual distance entries will be determined at the absolute discretion of the National Team coaches from amongst the remaining team members. This decision may be delayed until the deadline for entries (typically Wednesday prior to the competition) in order to allow for the greatest training data possible to factor into the decision.

In order to meet the overall objective of Team selections for the individual distances the national team coaches' assessment will include the following elements (listed in no particular order):

- Potential for Podium performances
- International performances & experience (limited to Olympic Games, ISU World Cups & World Championships Senior or Junior & FISU Universides)
- National performances
- Training performance
- Readiness for competition
- Commitment to the training program
- Medical and health status

### **Relay**

All five (5) Team members will be eligible to compete in the relay; however, the National Team coach at the World Championships will determine the composition of the relay Team for each round of competition.

### **Performance expectation**

If an athlete's training performances are clearly inferior to the performances that earned him/her selection to the World Short Track Championships Team, the HPCST may make the decision to replace this athlete with the alternate. Any such replacement will be based on a recommendation from the coach(es) responsible for the team at World Championships and confirmed by the HPCST.

### **World Junior Short Track Championships**

#### **Eligibility:**

A Junior skater is a skater who has reached the age of 14, but not the age of 19 by July 1st, 2018. (ISU Rule #108)

Quota: The Team will be composed of four (4) women and four (4) men

<u>Sequence of decisions and team selection criteria: World Junior Short Track Championships</u>
Athletes will be selected on the basis of results of the Canadian Junior Short Track Championships, pre-selection and byes as described below.

### Step 1 Pre-Selection:

Junior skaters who were selected to the World Cup 3/4 team in the 2018-19 season will be pre-selected to the World Junior Short Track Championship Team.

A maximum of **two (2)** athletes per gender may be pre-selected to the World Junior Short Track Championships.

Step 2 Select the highest ranked athletes based on ranking of totals of best two distances of the Canadian Junior Short Track Championships **until three (3) athletes are selected** to the team, including those who were pre-selected in Step 1.

If a tie in points exists, the skater with the highest finish position in their 3rd best distance will be ranked higher. If a tie persists, the skater with the greatest number of total points from the 3 distances will be used for breaking the tie.

Step 3 If a request has been made for a **bye**, it will be evaluated according to the Bye Policy (see Bulletin 182) specific to byes for the World Junior Championships.

If the athlete requesting the bye is placed among the top 3 positions, the athlete will be selected to the Team in the **4**<sup>th</sup> **position**.

If no request for a bye has been made, or if a request or requests have been made but have not resulted in placing the athlete on the team, then an athlete that has **won a distance** at the Canadian Junior Short Track Championships but has not been selected in the previous steps will be selected to the Team.

If all distance winners have been selected, the **next ranked athlete** based on ranking of totals of best two distances of the Canadian Junior Short Track Championships will be selected to the Team. If more than one distance winner has not yet been selected to the team, then the one with a better ranking considering best two distances will be selected. If a tie persists, then the one with the higher total of points of the three distances will be selected.

#### **Individual distances:**

If one or fewer athletes have been preselected to the team, the team member with the best result in each distance at the Canadian Junior Championships will automatically be entered for that distance at World Junior Championships.

The remaining individual distance entries will be determined at the absolute discretion of the team coach(es) at the World Junior Championships from amongst the remaining team members.

If two athletes have been preselected to the team, all individual distance entries will be determined at the absolute discretion of the team coach(es) at the World Junior Championships.

In order to meet the overall objective of Team selections for the individual distances the national team coaches' will assess skaters based on the following criteria (listed in no particular order):

- Potential for Podium performances
- International performances & experience (limited to Olympic Games, ISU World Cups & World Championships Senior or Junior & FISU Universiades)
- National performances
- Training performance
- Readiness for competition
- Commitment to the training program
- Medical and health status

### **KPN KNSB Short Track International Invitation Cup**

Quota: The Team will be composed of four (4) women and four (4) men\*

<u>Sequence of decisions and team selection criteria:</u> Athletes will be selected on the basis of their inclusion in the NextGen ranking list and their performance at the Canadian Short Track Championships.

- Step 1 Select top four (4) athletes per gender from the Canadian Short Track Championships ranking who meet NextGen criteria.
- Step 2 If any athletes selected in Step 1 are not available or decline their position on the team, the remaining places will be filled by the next athletes from the Canadian Short Track Championships ranking who meet the NextGen criteria.

Individual distances:

All individual distances will be decided by the coach(es) present at the competition.

### **US Short Track Fall WC Qualifier & AmCup 1**

Quota: The team will be composed of six (6) women and six (6) men\*

<u>Sequence of decisions and team selection criteria:</u> Athletes will be selected on the basis of their results at the Canadian Short Track Championships

- Step 1 Select top six (6) athletes per gender from the Canadian Short Track Championships ranking who have not been selected to attend World Cup 1 & 2.
- Step 2 If any athletes selected in Step 1 are not available or decline their position on the team, the remaining places will be filled by the next athletes from the Canadian Short Track Championships ranking.

Individual distances:

All individual distances will be decided by the coach(es) present at the competition.

\*Please note that participation in these competitions is provisional and may vary according to the quota of entrants permitted or the availability of other, more suitable competitions for the targeted participants and that the selection criteria may be updated and/or adjusted to reflect this. All such adjustments will be communicated and updated on the SSC website once confirmed.

### **Guidelines for Discretionary Selections**

All discretionary selections will be evaluated according to the same process.

The relevant coach(es) per gender will

### 1. Set the weighting of criteria listed for the discretionary selection.

These criteria and weighting may differ for men and for women, even for the same category of selection, (example: discretionary selection to the Worlds team) in order to provide a relevant scale for the position being considered, with respect to the athletes already named to the team in previous steps. The present HP Bulletin provides a list of criteria for each team selection that may be referred to by the coach. These criteria may be amended to ensure the most complete evaluation of the athletes under consideration.

### 2. Decide which athletes they will evaluate via these criteria

A minimum of three athletes should be considered, which are entirely at the discretion of the relevant coach(es). No position in the adjusted selection ranking guarantees a consideration for this evaluation.

3. Evaluate all the athletes on the same criteria and in consideration of the same information available to them.

The coach(es) will give a number value per element, as well as an explanation of their rating.

The High Performance Committee will

- 1. Receive the relevant coach(es)'s evaluations and proposals prior to the selection conference call.
- 2. **Confirm the fair establishment of weighting for criteria** by the relevant coach(es) If deemed necessary:
  - a. Provide clarity on matters of process that are raised during the review
  - b. Ask questions to comprehend the ratings per athlete.
  - c. Request further details regarding the ratings

## 3. Ensure that the procedures were properly followed and respect the objectives of High performance

If not satisfied with any of the elements listed above, the HPC may request that the coaches make adjustments to their evaluations in order to properly follow the procedures and intent of the discretionary selection.

### 4. Confirm the coach(es)'s proposals for selection

Once satisfied the process has been followed fairly and with the principle interest of high performance in mind, confirm the coach(es) proposal for selection.

If there is disagreement among the committee members, the High Performance Director will ultimately be responsible for the final decision.

"International performances" will be defined as performance in ISU World Cup or World Championships (both Junior and Senior) competitions within the past twelve (12) months. When performances from the past twelve (12) months are not sufficient to enable a fair comparison and evaluation between athletes, competitions from beyond this period may be considered at the discretion of the HPCST.

### 2018 / 19 National Competition Entry Criteria

### Canadian Short Track Championships

**Location**: Montreal, Quebec

Date: September 21-23, 2018 inclusive

Field of entry: Twenty-four (24) skaters per gender

Deadline to confirm/send entry and payment for prequalified: September 10, 2018

Posting of final list: August 31, 2018

**Deadline for replacement of late withdrawals:** September 17, 2018

<u>Deadline for submission of bye requests due to pre competition circumstances:</u> September 20, 2018 – 5 p.m. EST

#### **Eligibility:**

Competitors at the Canadian Short Track Championships must have reached the age of 15 before July 1, 2018 (ISU Rule 108).

Entry to the Canadian Short Track Championships is done through the following priorities up to a maximum number of entries (see below):

- 1. The top sixteen (16) ranked skaters based on adjusted Canadian senior ranking from the 2017-18 season, not including those who are injured, have retired or decided not to skate this season.
- 2. The next eight (8) ranked skaters based on the Next Gen ranking from the 2017-18 season not already named above, not including those who are injured, have retired or decided not to skate this season.
- 3. Remaining positions will be filled with the next athletes in order of the adjusted Canadian senior ranking from the 2017-18 season
  - \*Any skaters who decline their place in the field of entry will be replaced by the next athlete from the ranking their selection was based on.

#### **Results for National Ranking:**

No ranking points will be allocated for this competition. The purpose of this competition is to qualify for the Racing Pool, and for NextGen/Senior targeted international competitions.

### **Short Track Canada Cup**

**Location**: Laval, Québec

**Date**: November 16-18, 2018 inclusive

Field of Entry: Sixty (60) entries per gender

Posting of pre-qualified skaters: October 1, 2018

Deadline to confirm/send entry and payment for prequalified: October 15, 2018

Posting of final list: October 17, 2018

Deadline for replacement of late withdrawals: November 12 2018

**Deadline for submission of bye requests:** November 15, 2018 – 5 p.m. EST

#### Eligibility:

Competitors at the Short Track Canada Cup must have reached the age of 14 before July 1, 2018 (ISU Rule 108).

Entry is done through the following priorities up to a maximum number of entries (see below):

- 1. The 25 highest ranked athletes according to the adjusted 2017-18 Canadian senior ranking (excluding those who competed at the 2018 Canadian Short Track Championships, or were originally qualified but unable to compete due to injury/illness etc.)
- 2. The 25 highest ranked junior aged athletes from 2017-18 according to that season's Canadian senior and junior ranking respectively (excluding those who competed at the 2018 Canadian Short Track Championships, or were originally qualified but unable to compete due to injury/illness etc. and excluding those already entered above).
- 3. Remaining positions\*: Athletes who meet the time standard stated below based on their combined 500m + 1500m times as recorded from August 1st 2018 to October 15, 2018 in a SSC sanctioned competition with electronic timing. Please note in special circumstances manual times will be accepted (adjusted upwards by 0.2).

#### Time Standard\*

Women: 3min 36sec based on combined 500m and 1500m times. (ex: 0:52+2:44)
Men: 3min 14sec based on combined 500m and 1500m times. (ex: 0:46+2:28)

\*Exception: In the event that the number of entries meeting the time standard exceed the total

number of places available, each province will be guaranteed an entry of at least one

(1) skater per gender who meet the time standard stated above.

If any of the skaters who qualified for entry by points 1 & 2 above cannot or choose not to compete, they will be replaced by those who submitted their entry by time.

### **Competition schedule/Format:**

This competition will be a 3 day event, with each distance skated once (1500m, 500m, 1000m).

### **Results for National Ranking:**

No national ranking points will be allocated for this competition. The purpose of this competition is to qualify for Canadian Junior Championships and provide additional racing experience to senior skaters.

### Canadian Winter Invitational (This competition is cancelled)

**Location**: Montreal, Quebec

Date: January 11-13, 2019 inclusive

<u>Field of entry:</u> Minimum of thirty-two (32) skaters per gender, with intention to invite participants from

other countries

Posting of pre-qualified skaters: October 22, 2018

Deadline to confirm/send entry and payment: December 10, 2018

Posting of final list: December 17, 2018

Deadline for replacement of late withdrawals: January 07, 2019

#### **Eligibility**

Competitors at the Canadian Winter Invitational must have reached the age of 15 before July 1, 2018 (ISU Rule 108).

Entry to the Canadian Winter Invitational is done through the following priorities up to a maximum number of entries (see above):

- 1. All skaters who competed at the Canadian Short Track Championships, including those who were originally qualified but unable to skate as well as replacement skaters who competed in the competition are eligible.
- 2. Remaining positions up to a total of 32 athletes: athletes will be eligible on adjusted Canadian senior ranking from the 2017-18 season.
- 3. Skaters entered by an invited country who meet the time standard below

#### Time Standard

Women: 3min 36sec based on combined 500m and 1500m times. (ex: 0:52+2:44)
Men: 3min 14sec based on combined 500m and 1500m times. (ex: 0:46+2:28)

### **Competition schedule/Format:**

This competition will be a 3 day event, with each distance skated once (1500m, 500m, 1000m,). Exhibition relays for men and women may be held, time permitting.

### **Results for National Ranking**

No national ranking points will be allocated for this competition. The purpose of this competition is to gain additional high level racing experience in the season.

### **Canadian National Qualifiers**

**Location**: Montreal, Quebec

Date: February 1-3, 2018 inclusive

Field of Entry: Sixty (60) entries per gender

Posting of pre-qualified skaters: December 21, 2018

Deadline to confirm/send entry and payment: January 07, 2019

Posting of final list: January 9, 2019

**Deadline for replacement of late withdrawals:** January 28, 2019

<u>Deadline for submission of bye requests due to pre-competition circumstances:</u> January 31, 2019 – 5 p.m. EST

### **Eligibility:**

Competitors at the Canadian Open National Qualifier must have reached the age of 14 before July 1, 2018 (ISU Rule 108).

Entry to the Canadian Open National Qualifier is done through the following priorities up to a maximum number of entries (see below):

- 1. All Canadian Short Track Championships participants, including those who were originally qualified but did not compete, except athletes in the Racing Pool.
- 2. The 12 highest ranked athletes according to the 2017-18 adjusted Canadian senior ranking (excluding those already entered above).
- 3. The 15 highest ranked junior aged athletes from the 2018 Canadian Junior Championships overall ranking (total of three distances) (excluding those already entered above).
- 4. Remaining positions\*: Athletes who meet the time standard stated below based on their combined 500m + 1500m times as recorded from August 1st 2018 to January 7, 2019 in a SSC sanctioned competition with electronic timing. Please note in special circumstances manual times will be accepted (adjusted upwards by 0.2).

#### Time Standard\*

Women: 3min 36sec based on combined 500m and 1500m times. (ex: 0:52+2:44)
Men: 3min 14sec based on combined 500m and 1500m times. (ex: 0:46+2:28)

\*Exception: In the event that the number of entries meeting the time standard exceed the total

number of places available, each province will be guaranteed an entry of at least one

(1) skater per gender who meet the time standard stated above.

If any of the skaters who qualified for entry by points 1 & 2 above cannot or choose not to compete, they will be replaced by those who submitted their entry by time.

### **Competition schedule/Format:**

This competition will be a 3 day event, with each distance skated once (1500m, 500m, 1000m).

### **Results for National Ranking:**

No national ranking points will be allocated for this competition. The purpose of this competition is to qualify for Canadian Senior Selections or Canadian Junior Selections.

### Canadian Senior Selections

**Location**: Calgary, Alberta

**Date**: March 8-10, 2019

Field of Entry: Thirty-two (32) skaters per gender

Posting of pre-qualified skaters: February 13, 2019

Deadline to confirm/send entry and payment: February 15, 2019

Posting of final list: February 18, 2019

Deadline for replacement of late withdrawals: March 4, 2019

**Deadline for submission of bye requests:** March 7, 2019– 5 p.m. EST

### **Eligibility**

Competitors at the Canadian Senior Selections must have reached the age of 1514 before July 1, 2018 (ISU Rule 108).

Entry to the Canadian Senior Selections is done through the following priorities up to a maximum number of entries (see above):

- 1. All members of the Racing Pool who were not selected to the World Short Track Championships team.
- 2. All members of the World Junior Championships team who were not selected to the World Short Track Championships team.
- 3. Remaining positions: Next highest ranked athletes from Canadian National Qualifier based on the overall ranking of all three (3) distances.

### **Competition schedule/Format:**

This competition will be a 3 day event, with each distance skated twice (1500m, 500m, 1000m). Exhibition relays for men and women will be held, time permitting.

Day 1: 1500m, 500m Day 2: 1000m, 1500m Day 3: 500m, 1000m

### **Results for National Ranking:**

### Canadian Senior ranking

All skaters will receive ranking points beginning at rank 1 and following (per distance).

### **Canadian** Junior ranking

Junior aged skaters will receive ranking points according to their finish with regard to other junior aged skaters. This means that the highest ranked junior in each distance at this competition will earn 1st place for the junior ranking, the next 2nd place and so on (per distance).

The final ranking for this competition will be based on the totals of the best two (2) distances. Ties will be broken by placing the athlete with the better third distance higher in the ranking. Any persisting ties will be broken by favoring the athlete with the most total points (including all three distances).

Nat Sel #2 SR	Name	Status	For <u>CDN</u> <del>senior</del> ranking	For <u>CDN</u> junior ranking
1	Wendy	Junior	1	1
2	Zara	Senior	2	-
3	Polly	Senior	3	-
4	Christine	Junior	4	2
5	Doris	Senior	5	1
6	Victoria	Junior	6	3
7	Roxanne	Junior	7	4
8	Lainey	Senior	8	1
9	Yao	Senior	9	ı
10	Rachel	Senior	10	-
11	Ophelia	Senior	11	-
12	Agathe	Junior	12	5
13	Midge	Senior	13	-
14	Molly	Senior	14	-
15	Johanne	Junior	15	6
16	Petra	Junior	16	7

### **Canadian Junior Short Track Championships**

**Location:** Calgary, Alberta

Date: December 14-16, 2018 inclusive

Field of entry: Thirty-two (32) skaters per gender

Posting of pre-qualified skaters: November 21, 2018

Deadline to confirm/send entry and payment: November 26, 2018

Posting of final list: November 30, 2018

Deadline for replacement of late withdrawals: December 10, 2018

Deadline for submission of bye requests: December 13, 2017, 2018 – 5 p.m. EST

### Eligibility:

Competitors at the Canadian Junior Short Track Championships must have reached the age of 14, but not the age of 19 by July 1st, 2018. (ISU Rule 108)

Entry to the Canadian Junior Short Track Championships is done through the following priorities:

- 1. All Junior athletes who competed at the Canadian Short Track Championships. These include the originally qualified skaters as well as the replacement skaters who participated in the competition.
- 2. Junior athletes, up to a maximum total of 30, taken from the overall ranking (total of three distances) of the Short Track Canada Cup
- 3. Remaining positions: junior athletes based on their combined 500m + 1500m times as recorded from August 1<sup>st</sup> to November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018 in a SSC sanctioned competition with electronic timing. Please note in special circumstances manual times will be accepted (adjusted upwards by 0.2).

### **Competition schedule/Format:**

The schedule for this competition will be 3 days as follows:

Day 1: 1500m Day 2: 500m

Day 3: 1000m, Exhibition relays 3000m women, 3000m men.

#### Special note:

Only skaters who competed at the Canadian Junior Short Track Championships in the 2017/18 season may request a bye for access to the competition. For details, see Bulletin 182 Bye Requests

#### **Results for National Ranking**

No national ranking points will be allocated for this competition. The purpose of this competition is to qualify for the World Junior Championships team and Canadian Junior Selections.

### **Canadian Junior Selections**

Location: Sherbrooke, Quebec

Date: March 15-17, 2019 inclusive

Field of Entry: Sixty (60) skaters per gender

Posting of pre-qualified skaters: February 13, 2019

**Deadline to confirm/send entry and payment:** February 18, 2019

Posting of final list: February 22, 2019

Deadline for replacement of late withdrawals: March 11, 2019

**Deadline for submission of bye requests:** March 14, 2019 – 5 p.m. EST

### **Eligibility:**

Competitors at the Canadian Junior Selections must have reached the age of 14, but not the age of 19 by July 1st, 2017. (ISU Rule 108)

Entry to the Canadian Junior Selections is done through the following priorities up to a maximum number of entries (see above):

- 1. All Junior skaters who qualified for the Canadian Open National Qualifier but did not qualify for Canadian Senior Selections.
- 2. All skaters who qualified for the Canadian Junior Championships but did not qualify for Canadian Senior Selections (excluding those already listed above).
- 3. Remaining positions: Junior athletes who meet the time standard stated below based on their combined 500m + 1500m times as recorded from August 1st 2018 to February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 in a SSC sanctioned competition with electronic timing. Please note in special circumstances manual times will be accepted (adjusted upwards by 0.2).

#### Time Standard\*

Women: 3min 36sec based on combined 500m and 1500m times. (ex: 0:52+2:44)
Men: 3min 14sec based on combined 500m and 1500m times. (ex: 0:46+2:28)

\*Exception: In the event that the number of entries meeting the time standard exceed the total

number of places available, each province will be guaranteed an entry of at least one

(1) skater per gender who meet the time standard stated above.

#### **Competition schedule/Format:**

This competition will be a 3 day event, with each distance skated once (1500m, 500m, 1000m).

### **Results for National Ranking:**

### **Canadian** Junior ranking

All junior aged skaters will receive ranking points based on the number of junior skaters who competed at the Canadian Senior Selections competition (per distance). This means that if Y junior aged skaters compete at Canadian Senior Selections, then the highest ranking points available from Canadian Junior Selections begin at Y+1 rank.

The final ranking for this competition will be based on the totals of points from all three (3) distances. Ties will be broken by placing the athlete with the better third distance higher in the ranking. Any persisting ties will be broken by favoring the athlete with the most total points (including all three distances).

### 2018 / 19 Canadian Senior Rankings

For the purposes of determining a final Canadian Senior Ranking, the athletes selected to the 2019 World Championships Team will be ranked 1 to 5 (or 1 to 3 in the case that a relay team is not qualified to compete) in order of their best individual performance at that competition. Any tie will be broken by favouring the athlete with the better result in their second best distance. Persisting ties will be broken by favouring the third best distance. Athletes who did not skate in individual distances will be ranked after those who did, and according to their order of selection to the team.

If the alternate selected for the Team participates at the World Championships, s/he will be ranked according to the procedure above.

For the remaining athletes, the final Canadian ranking will be determined from the ranking at the Canadian Senior Selections based on the total of best two (2) distances.

In the event of a tie, the athlete with the higher rank in their third distance will be placed higher in the ranking. Any persisting tie will be broken by favoring the athlete with the higher total points of the three distances combined.

### **Individual distance rankings**

These rankings will follow a similar order of prioritization above, with the following order within each category:

1. Athletes who were selected to the ISU (Senior) World Championships
Athletes who skated individual distances at the ISU (senior) world championships will receive
individual distance rankings which correspond to their relative performance in each distance
compared with the other members of the team who skated individual distances.

Athletes who did not skate an individual distance will be ranked either 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> in each distance based on their head to head performance in each distance at the Canadian Short Track Championships. In this situation, if one of the athletes did not compete in any one of the distances at the Canadian Short Track Championships, s/he will automatically be ranked behind the others.

2. Athletes who competed at the Canadian Senior Selections
Individual distance rankings will be based on the total of the athlete's points in the two events
of the same distance at the Canadian Senior Selections. Any tie will be broken by favoring the
athlete with the higher ranking based on best two (2) distances.

### 2018 / 19 Canadian Junior Rankings

For the purposes of determining a final Canadian Junior Ranking, results from the Canadian Senior Selections OR the Canadian Junior Selections will be considered in the following priority order.

- Any juniors who competed at the World Short Track Championships, in order of their best individual performance at that competition. Ties will be broken by referring to the performance in the second best.
- 2. Any juniors who competed at the Canadian Senior Selections, in order of their rank at that competition based on the total of best two (2) distances. Ties will be broken by referring to the points earned in each athletes' third distance.
- 3. All juniors who competed at the Canadian Junior Selections, in order of their rank at that competition based on the total points earned in the three (3) distances. Ties will be broken by referring to the athlete with the higher rank based on best two (2) distances.

### **Individual distance rankings**

These rankings will follow a similar order of prioritization above, with the following order within each category

- 1. Any juniors who competed at the World Short Track Championships
  Athletes who skated individual distances at the ISU (senior) world championships will receive
  individual distance rankings which correspond to their relative performance in each distance
  compared with the other junior members of the team who skated individual distances.
  - Athletes who did not skate an individual distance will be ranked lower in each distance based on their head to head performance in each distance at the Canadian Junior Championships. In this situation, if one of the athletes did not compete in any one of the distances at the Canadian Junior Championships, s/he will automatically be ranked behind the others.
- 2. Any juniors who competed at the Canadian Senior Selections Individual distance rankings will be based on the total of the athlete's points in the two events of the same distance at the Canadian Senior Selections. Any tie will be broken by favoring the athlete with the higher ranking based on best two (2) distances.
- All juniors who competed at the Canadian Junior Selections
   Individual distance rankings will be based on the athlete's performance in the distance at the Canadian Junior Selections

### **Ranking Points (500m, 1000m, 1500m)**

Rank	Points
1	10000
2	8000
3	6400
4	5120
5	4096
6	3277
7	2949
8	2654
9	2389
10	2150
11	1935
12	1741
13	1567
14	1411
15	1269
16	1143
17	1028
18	925
19	833
20	750
21	675
22	607
23	546
24	492
25	443
26	398
27	359
28	323
29	290
30	261
31	235
32	212
33	191
34	171
35	154
36	139
37	125
38	113

Rank	Points
39	101
40	91
41	82
42	74
43	66
44	60
45	54
46	48
47	44
48	39
49	35
50	32
51	29
52	26
53	23
54	21
55	19
56	17
57	15
58	14
59	12
60	11
61	10
62	9
63	8
64	7
65	7
66	6
67	5
68	5
69	4
70	4
71	3
72	3
73	3
74	3
75	2
76	2

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