



Team BCSSA Selection

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This bulletin addresses the mandate of the Athlete Development Committee (ADC) related to the selection of Team BCSSA to represent the province at national competitions. This bulletin refers to how members of Team BCSSA, for each of the age class national championships, will be selected by ADC.

A separate bulletin addresses the Provincial Performance Program (PPP). A PPP athlete ***is not automatically selected*** and will have to meet criteria to be added to Team BCSSA for the championships. Conversely, selection to Team BCSSA ***does not automatically qualify*** this athlete as a PPP athlete.

Introduction

Athlete Development Committee (ADC) is responsible to set criteria in order to select skaters to represent BCSSA as “Team BCSSA” for the Canadian Age Class Long Track Championship and Canada West Short Track Championship. Team BCSSA is selected for these specific events, at specific times of the year.

Please note that all BC skaters, ***including those training out-of-province***, must submit their registration documents to BCSSA for national championship and selection competitions. In the event that there is an online registration process, skaters may register online. Registration details for each national competitions will be released on the BCSSA website and on BCSSA social media channels.

Team BCSSA: Canadian Age Class Long Track (CACLT)

February 10-11, 2018 (Quebec City)

Definition: The Canadian Age Class Long Track (CACLT) features a combined mass start/Olympic Style component for Train to Train (T2T) age skaters. Please refer to the most recent [SSC Competition Bulletin](#) for details about this competition. Note that there have been significant changes to the format for CACLT for this season.

Allotted Spots for Team BCSSA: Team BCSSA's guaranteed quota is outlined below. Additional spots may be granted if another branch does not fulfill their quota. Availability of additional spots is usually known approximately two weeks before the competition.

Category (Age)	Male	Female
11	n/a	2
12	2	2
13	2	2
14	2	2
15	2	n/a

Team BCSSA Eligibility Requirements:

- Must be a member in good standing of BCSSA and must be a Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident (formerly known as Landed Immigrant)
- Must compete in the BC Long Track Championship
- **Must confirm to Athlete Development Committee (via online form) intent to participate in the CACLT by January 20th, 2018**
- Ranking will be based upon: 100% of age class points at the BCLT Championship.

Athlete Assistance: Skaters who qualify for Team BCSSA at the CACLT will receive assistance to participate at this event as follows:

- Direct access to Team BCSSA Personnel for the event (Coach and/or Manager)
- Entry fees for all qualified skaters
- BC pool suit (for competition), if available.

Team BCSSA: Canada West Short Track (CWST)

March 17-18, 2018 (Abbotsford)

Definition: The CWST will feature the top T2T skaters from Alberta, British Columbia, Manitoba, Northwest Territories, Saskatchewan, and the Yukon. Please refer to the most recent [SSC Competition Bulletin](#) for details about this competition.

Allotted Spots for Team BCSSA: Team BCSSA's guaranteed quota is outlined below. Additional spots may be granted if another branch does not fulfill their quota. Availability of additional spots is usually known approximately two weeks before the competition.

Category (Age)	Male	Female
11	n/a	3
12	3	3
13	3	3
14	3	3
15	3	n/a

Team BCSSA Eligibility Requirements:

- Must be a member in good standing of BCSSA and must be a Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident (formerly known as Landed Immigrant)
- Must compete in the BC Short Track Championship AND at least one other multi-day short track competition* during the 2017-2018 season.
**Examples include: Western T2T Series, Western Elite Circuit, BC Winter Games*
- **Must confirm to Athlete Development Committee (via online form) intent to participate in the CWST by February 23rd, 2018**
- Ranking will be based upon: 100% of age class points at the BCST Championship. Note that T2T-aged skaters who choose to skate in the Performance group at the BCST Championship are not eligible to qualify for Team BCSSA for the CWST.

Athlete Assistance: Skaters who qualify for Team BCSSA at the CWST will receive assistance to participate at this event as follows:

- Direct access to Team BCSSA Personnel for the event (Coach and/or Manager)
- Entry fees for all qualified skaters
- BC pool suit (for competition), if available.

Team BCSSA: Other National Competitions

Definition: BCSSA will support Team BCSSA to other national championships and ranking meets in addition to the age class national championships. Note that TEAM BC, selected every four years to represent the province at the Canada Winter Games, is a separate program and will be covered in a unique bulletin for each Games.

Team BCSSA Eligibility Requirements: Selection to national championships and ranking meets (excluding CACLT and CWST) is not made by BCSSA ADC; rather, will be based upon the criteria described in the [SSC High Performance ST](#) and [SSC High Performance LT](#) .

Allotted Spots for Team BCSSA: varies by competition, see the [SSC High Performance ST](#) and [SSC High Performance LT](#) Bulletins for details.

Athlete Assistance: Skaters will receive assistance from BCSSA aimed at activities directly related to Team BCSSA and may include any or all of the following:

- Branch registration services (when applicable)
- Direct access to Team BCSSA Coach for the event (when applicable)
- Entry fees covered or reimbursed
- BC pool suits (for competition), if available. Note that arrangements to pick-up/return the suit (including cost) is the responsibility of the skater.

Registration information posted on the BCSSA website will include details on which of the above benefits are available for the specific competition.