



Zone 4 Qualification Format 2024 BC Winter Games

The 2024 BC Winter Games (BCWG) will take place in Lhtako-Quesnel on February 22-25, 2024. The speed skating event will feature short track races, hosted in Prince George. Please see the [Technical Package for Speed Skating](#) for details. Skaters must be in Division U14 (12 or 13 years old) or U16 (14 or 15 years old) as of June 30, 2023. All skaters compete at the BCWG for their [Zone](#), which is based on their place of residence. There are two methods of qualification to BCWG:

Qualify, via the Zone Qualification Format, for a Zone quota position (see details below)

Qualify into a wildcard position (see Tech Package for details).

Zone 4 Qualification Format

Skaters qualifying for a Zone quota position (2 male and 2 female per Division, per Zone) must participate in their Zone Qualification Format (QF). The Zone QF is established by the Zone Reps (Nick Toth and Alena Xu) and the Provincial Advisor (Chris Acton, SSBC Technical Director).

The Zone 4 QF selects skaters to Zone quota positions based on the skaters' best times skated, as defined below. All times must be skated in a sanctioned competition. Manual times will have 0.2 seconds added to them in order to compare the times to electronic times.

Skated times will be taken from the Events Database Results of the SSBC website (<https://speedskatingbc.ca>) for sanctioned times from Aug. 1st to Dec. 20th, 2023.

For Division U14, each skater is given a U14 Score equal to 1/3 their best time at 1500m (100m. track) plus their best time at 400m (100m. track).

For Division U16, each skater is given a U16 Score equal to 1/3 their best time at 1500m (111 m. track) plus their best time at 500m (111 m. track).

For example, U14 skated times of 0:43,27 (400m) and 3:01,78 (1500m) gives a U14 Score = 103,86. To compare skaters in the same division, a lower score is better.

For identical Scores (very unlikely), the tie is broken by the best times at 400m (U14) or 500m (U16) distances from Aug. 1st to Dec. 20th, 2023.

BC Winter Games Registration

All Zone quota positions must be awarded by December 31st, 2023. Between January 1-15th, 2024, wildcard positions will be calculated and awarded by the Provincial Advisor. All skaters must be registered by the Zone Rep by the BC Winter Games registration deadline of January 22nd, 2024.

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