



# Zone 8 Qualification Format 2026 BC Winter Games

The 2026 BC Winter Games (BCWG) will take place in Trail-Rossland on February 25- March 1st, 2025. The speed skating event will feature short track races, hosted in Castlegar. Please see the [Technical Package for Speed Skating](#) for details. Skaters must be in Division U14 (12 or 13 years old) as of June 30, 2025. 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:

1. Qualify, via the Zone Qualification Format, for a Zone quota position (see details below)
2. Qualify into a wildcard position (see Tech Package for details).

## Zone 8 Qualification Format

Skaters qualifying for a Zone quota position (3 male and 3 female per Division, per Zone) must participate in their Zone Qualification Format (QF). The Zone QF is established by the Zone Rep (Raistlin van Spronsen, Zone 8 Rep) and the Provincial Advisor (Jodi Roberts, SSBC Technical Manager).

The Zone 8 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.

- Times must be skated at an event sanctioned by a Provincial Speed Skating organization (SSBC/SSA) between September 1<sup>st</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025
- Selection will be based on the lowest overall combined ranking of the skater's combined personal best time for the 400m and 1500m distances
- In the event of a tie, the skater with a faster time for the 400-meter distance will be ranked higher

## BC Winter Games Registration

All Zone quota positions must be awarded by December 31st, 2025. Between January 1-15th, 2026, 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, 2026.

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