



**SPEED
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Bulletin:

2026-2027 SSBC

Provincial Skin Suits

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Introduction

This document provides guidance on the qualification and eligibility of Youth skaters registered with Speed Skating BC (SSBC) to be able to purchase an SSBC Provincial skin suit.

Objective

The objectives of the SSBC Provincial Skin Suit Bulletin are:

1. To encourage the retention of our athletes by providing recognition in their respective stage of development;
2. To promote our skaters and provide visibility while competing at National and out-of-Province meets;
3. To inspire the next generation of Youth, Neo-Junior, Junior and Senior skaters.

Procedure

As of July 2026, there is currently one SSBC Provincial skin suit available for purchase in both speed skating disciplines:

- SSBC Provincial skin suit

Skaters that achieve the qualification standards outlined under the applicable skin suit heading will be notified in July 2026 and provided with an order form for that particular skin suit. Skaters will be responsible for 100% of the cost of the skin suit and may only purchase a suit in their discipline (ST vs. LT) for which they qualified to the relevant program (however, consideration will be given for skaters that qualified in Long Track but will be needing a Short Track skinsuit for Mass Start races)

Athlete identification for an SSBC skin suit (July 2026) is based on their official results from the 2025-2026 competition season. The age categories specified below correspond to the skater's age category during the 2025-2026 season, determined as of June 30, 2025.

SSBC Provincial Skin Suit

To be eligible to purchase an SSBC Provincial skin suit - a Youth skater must have achieved the following during the 2025-2026 competition season:

Short Track	Long Track
Any athletes of the 2026 Canadian Youth Short Track Championships - West Medalist (per age/gender)	Any athletes of the 2026 Canadian Youth Long Track Championships top half overall ranking (per age/gender)
Any athletes of the: a) 2026 BC Short Track Championships top 2 overall ranking (per age/gender) b) Achieved 400m time standards: i) Female: 46.4 sec ii) Male: 42.6 sec	Any athletes of the: a) 2026 BC Long Track Championships top 2 overall ranking; b) Achieved 500m OS time standards i) Female: 54.8 sec ii) Male: 53.5 sec

Please note that the current Provincial Skin Suit design will be retired at the end of the 2026-2027 season and will be replaced with a new design, which will be launched in April 2027.