

## 2025 TRIATHLON CANADA PARALYMPIC STREAM NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION POLICY

### A. INTRODUCTION

This document establishes the eligibility and selection criteria to Triathlon Canada's 2025 National Team and National Development Team within the Paralympic Stream. This process formalizes support that was already in place. As more athletes enter into the program, the need for a formalized approach was identified. Athletes will continue to work with the Pathway Development Lead to ensure this support is applied in an optimal manner that improves athlete performance.

The following criteria applies to both male and female athletes.

All funding and support described in this document is subject to change at any time based on Triathlon Canada's current funding capacity.

### B. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

In addition to the qualification criteria listed below, all athletes must:

- a. Be a Canadian citizen;
- b. Have a 2025 Triathlon Canada International Competition Card and Pre Participation Exam
- c. Have a valid Safe Sport Training
- d. Have provided a 2025 Yearly Training Plan (YTP) to the High Performance Director by April 1, 2025.
- e. Be members in good standing with a Triathlon Provincial Sport Organization;
- f. Be in good standing with Triathlon Canada;
- g. Participate fully with Team Canada as per the Triathlon Canada's Athlete Agreement.

### C. SELECTION CRITERIA

Selection to Triathlon Canada's Paralympic Stream National Team is for the period of April 1, 2025 to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025 and will be based on a 2 Tier system.

#### Tier 1 – National Team

Athletes may achieve Tier 1 status by achieving one of the following criteria:

- 2025 Sport Canada Athlete Assistance Program - Senior International or Senior National

#### Tier 2 – Development Team

Athletes may achieve Tier 3 status by achieving one of the following criteria:

- 2025 Sport Canada Athlete Assistance Program – Development Card

## **D. FUNDING**

### **Projected 2025 Support Levels – Paralympic Stream:**

In addition to any AAP support provided, athletes are eligible for the following support, subject to change at any time based on Triathlon Canada funding capacity:

#### **Tier 1:**

- Fully supported (ex. flight, hotel, ground transportation) when travelling to an event as part of a National Team Project. Details of the funding and support level provided will be outlined in the invitation for each project.
- Eligible for additional support of up to \$6000.00 to assist with training and competition needs that are pre-approved by the Paralympic Pathway Lead and High Performance Director.

#### **Tier 2:**

- Partially supported (ex. hotel, ground transportation) when travelling to an event as part of a National Team Project. Details of the funding and support level provided will be outlined in the invitation for each project.
- Eligible for additional support of up to \$2400.00 to assist with training and competition needs that are pre-approved by the Paralympic Pathway Lead and High Performance Director.

## **E. TEAM SELECTION ANNOUNCEMENT**

Announcement of Triathlon Canada's National and National Development Team will be made by April 1, 2025

## **F. MODIFICATION OF POLICY**

Triathlon Canada reserves the right, in extenuating circumstances, to modify this policy as it deems necessary in its sole discretion. In the event that this policy is modified, Triathlon Canada will promptly post an announcement on its website announcing the changes.

## **G. LANGUAGE**

Where there is a difference in interpretation between the French and English versions of this document, the English shall prevail

## **H. APPEALS**

Triathlon Canada is responsible for all Team decisions. As such, an athlete wishing to appeal a decision regarding the Team selection must follow the Triathlon Canada Appeals Policy which can be found on the Triathlon Canada website.