



2018 Triathlon Canada CAMTRI North American Championship Junior Team Selection Policy

A. INTRODUCTION

This document establishes the Eligibility and Selection criteria for entry into the 2018 Confederation of American Triathlon (CAMTRI) North American Junior Triathlon Championship to take place in Sarasota, Florida on March 10, 2018.

The Triathlon Canada High Performance program is charged with fostering and developing podium performances at the Olympic Games and Senior World Championships.

The following criteria apply to both male and female athletes.

B. IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR JUNIOR ATHLETES, PARENTS, and COACHES

1. **Registration must be coordinated through Triathlon Canada, not directly with the CAMTRI race committee.**
 - a. Athletes must submit their **Expression of Interest** via their Smartabase account using the **ITU Entry Request form**.
 - b. Athlete interested in the Mixed Team Relay must also submit an **Expression of Interest (EOI)** for that event separately.
2. The ITU publishes the start list for both the men's and women's races on www.triathlon.org 32 days before the event in question. The athletes who have been entered into the race are put on the start list by the ITU as per ITU rules.
3. In the event that an athlete declines selection, Triathlon Canada has the discretion to consider the next ranked athlete.
4. Being selected to Triathlon Canada's 2018 CAMTRI North American Junior Championship Team does not designate the athlete as a member of Triathlon Canada's National Team or Triathlon Canada's Development Team.
5. This event is self-funded.
6. Triathlon Canada's High Performance Director will recommend the final team selection for ratification to the board.

C. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- a. Be a Canadian citizen;
- b. Be members in good standing with a Provincial Sport Organization;
- c. Be in good standing with Triathlon Canada;
- d. Have a current Triathlon Canada International Competition Card;
- e. Have submitted all required ratified run/swim times as communicated by Triathlon Canada;
- f. Have completed 80% of daily metrics in Smartabase/Training Peaks;
- g. Be deemed healthy to race as per Triathlon Canada's Competition Readiness policy (see Appendix A); and
- h. Participate fully with Team Canada as per the Triathlon Canada Athlete Agreement

D. SELECTION CRITERIA

INDIVIDUAL RACE

Triathlon Canada is guaranteed a minimum of twenty five (25) quota spots per gender. Triathlon Canada is under no obligation to fill all available quota spots.

Eligible athletes will be selected to compete in the 2018 CAMTRI North American Junior Championships, in rank order, per the following criteria:

1. Up to 20 quota spots will be awarded, in order of finish, at the 2017 National Junior Championships, to a maximum of 30th place to athletes who are still eligible as juniors.
2. Remaining quota spots may be filled at the discretion of the High Performance Director. See Section E: Discretionary Selection for further information.

MIXED TEAM RELAY

The Team(s) representing Triathlon Canada at the 2018 CAMTRI North American Mixed Team Relay Championships will be confirmed after the individual events at the discretion of the identified Triathlon Canada Lead Coach and/or Triathlon Canada High Performance Director (or his designate).

E. DISCRETIONARY SELECTION

In accordance with the goal of fielding the strongest team possible, Triathlon Canada's High Performance Director may grant discretionary selection, but is not obliged to exercise, in accordance with Section D. 2.

Discretionary selection will be based on, but is not limited to, the following objective and subjective criteria (not in priority order).

- Submitted ratified times as per 2018 Triathlon Canada's Ratified Times Policy
- 2017/2018 ITU draft legal race results in the sprint and super sprint
- Additional Gold Medal Profile Data

All request for discretionary selection must be submitted through Smartabase with your ***Expression of Interest*** (EOI) for 2018 CAMTRI North American Junior Championships by midnight PST Wednesday **January 24th, 2018.**

F. TEAM SELECTION ANNOUNCEMENT

Announcement of Team Selection will be made public on or before **Friday January 26, 2018.**

G. 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.

Extenuating circumstances may include, but are not limited to, ITU rule changes, non-competitiveness at any selection event(s), or inappropriate timing of any selection event(s) as it relates to the overall Triathlon Canada High Performance program.

H. LANGUAGE

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

I. 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 (see Triathlon Canada website).

APPENDIX A

COMPETITION READINESS POLICY

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this document is to outline the eligibility procedures (the “competition readiness” determinant) that will be used by Triathlon Canada to select athletes who wish to be entered in any international competition.

The objective of the Triathlon Canada Competition Readiness Policy (TCCRP) is to identify and support Canadian athletes who have demonstrated the ability to consistently manage and monitor their health status, adopt a safe and effective training program, communicate clearly and honestly their current health status to Triathlon Canada, and target the appropriate levels of competition; all with the intent of continued progression towards achieving a podium result at the Olympic/Paralympic Games and World Championships. Triathlon Canada will evaluate each athlete entry request on a case by case basis.

POLICY DETAILS

As per International Triathlon Union (ITU) rules and regulations, Triathlon Canada is solely responsible for validating and submitting entry of Canadian athletes into international competition.

Demonstrated competition readiness is only one of many eligibility requirements outlined in Triathlon Canada’s individual event selection criteria documents. Valid and up to date athlete/coaching training logs, Triathlon Canada athlete monitoring programs, validated medical diagnosis/prognosis (through Triathlon Canada’s team physician), and athlete performance analysis will be used to evaluate and determine the competition readiness of an athlete. Triathlon Canada High Performance Director will have sole discretion to allow or deny entry into an event.

TRIATHLON CANADA’S AUTHORITY FOR DECISIONS

All matters relating to the nomination of athletes for international competition are the sole authority of Triathlon Canada. Competition readiness will be determined based on an athlete meeting all of the following criteria

Criteria 1: Current Athlete Health Status

To be considered competition ready by Triathlon Canada, an athlete must provide or demonstrate the following to Triathlon Canada:

- 1.1 A medical report clearing the athlete for competition from Triathlon Canada’s team physician or from a sport science and sport medicine (SSSM) practitioner as approved by Triathlon Canada’s team physician;
- 1.2 Access to or an up-to-date Triathlon Canada approved training/monitoring log; and.

Criteria 2: Athlete Daily Monitoring and History

To be considered competition ready, an athlete must provide or demonstrate the following:

- 2.1 80% completion of Triathlon Canada approved daily monitoring tools;
- 2.2 Not miss three (3) consecutive days of daily monitoring;
- 2.3 Full compliance with Triathlon Canada's Competition Readiness Policy in previous event entry requests;
- 2.4 Adoption and adjustment of training/competition principles in line with best practices for reducing injury as advised by the Triathlon Canada approved SSSM practitioners;
- 2.5 Adherence to return to play protocols during previous injuries as defined and outlined by Triathlon Canada approved SSSM practitioners and as directed by Team Canada's team physician; and
- 2.6 Consistent, clear, and timely communication of athlete training logs and health status as requested by Triathlon Canada.

Criteria 3: Competition Level

To be considered competition ready, an athlete must provide or demonstrate the following:

- 3.1 A commitment to compete at Triathlon Canada National Championships;
- 3.2 Progression of results at each successive level of competition as defined by Triathlon Canada's Podium Pathway;
- 3.3 A potential to achieve a top ten (10) result in the requested event based on performance metrics (previous performances, GMP run and swim times, quality of field); and
- 3.4 A commitment to compete at events in which Triathlon Canada selected an athlete to compete.