

BIATHLON ONTARIO PROVINCIAL TEAM SELECTION POLICY FOR 2018 CANADIAN NATIONAL BIATHLON CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. Preamble and Guiding Principles

- a. The Canadian National Biathlon Championship (CCH) is the premier event of Biathlon Canada. These race results can be used to rank athletes for Ontario Athlete Assistance Program (OAAP) funding and Talent ID opportunity for Biathlon Canada. BiON considers this event to be a National level competitive opportunity for Train To Train athletes.
- b. In an effort to comply with this philosophy, the Athlete Development Committee (ADC) has created a selection policy that clearly identifies a set of minimum standards that must be met for all athletes to participate at the CCH. These standards are objective and easily measurable.

2. Eligibility Requirements and Performance Standards

- a. All athletes wishing to be considered for a position on Team Ontario must be a registered Class A member of BiON in good standing as of December 31, 2017.
- b. Athletes seeking nomination to Team Ontario must complete the selection requirement in this membership year (2017-18).
- c. All athletes and coaches must possess a valid PAL or Jr PAL.
- d. Athletes wishing to be considered for a position on Team Ontario must sign and be in full compliance with the BiON Athlete Code of Conduct.
- e. The Provincial Team uniform consists of the BiON race suit and BiON Kama hat or headband, and must be worn by all Team Ontario athletes, at the CCH.
- f. All athletes excluding Jr Boys and Girls and Masters, must have produced a minimum 70% on snow race performance averaged off the top 3 results from a Biathlon Canada or USBA sanctioned Sprint, Pursuit, Individual or Mass Start.
- g. Jr Boys & Girls aged 14 can attend and race up to Sr Boys & Girls with a coach's recommendation providing BiON has sufficient race support staff to accommodate these athletes.
- h. Masters athletes must have completed at least one Biathlon Canada or USBA sanctioned Sprint, Pursuit, Individual or Mass Start.

3. Final Selection and Appeals

- a. It is the responsibility of each BiON Club to submit a list of qualified athletes, who comply with the eligibility requirements outlined in paragraph 2 above. Subject list should be emailed to Vic Veinotte VP Tech (vic@veinotte.org) and Christine Piche – VP Admin (pichec10@gmail.com), no later than 9 Feb, 2018.
- b. The nomination list is to be generated and submitted by the ADC to the BiON Board of Directors no later than February 11, 2018. The final selection of Team Ontario athletes is the responsibility of the BiON Board of Directors.
- c. The nomination list is to be vetted and the approved selections posted to BiON website no later than February 16, 2018.
- d. Any appeals related to the selection of Team Ontario athletes must be administrated through the sanctioning Club. Clubs are to advise the ADC immediately of any changes to their athlete submission lists or of any appeals being brought forward.

4. Communication

Any questions with regards to this policy can be directed to the BiON VP Technical or VP Administration.
