



2018-2019

***Provincial Performance Program
Skater Selection***

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This bulletin outlines the requirements, as established by the BCSSA ADC, to be eligible for the 2018-2019 Provincial Performance Program. Requirements may be completed either during the 2017-2018 season or during the 2018-2019 season (see below for timing details). Skaters qualify to the Provincial Performance Program for one season at a time and must re-qualify for subsequent seasons.

Updates to this bulletin made in November 2018 exclusively reflect changes to the national competition schedule/formats as determined by Speed Skating Canada, and to regional national competition schedule/formats (e.g. Western Elite Circuit).

Introduction

The Provincial Performance Program (PPP) is aimed at increasing the number of BC skaters in Speed Skating Canada national programs and at increasing the medal count for BC at the Canada Winter Games. The PPP is a five-tier program (Tier Gold to Tier Iron), with Tier Gold being closest to qualifying to Speed Skating Canada national programs. Once qualified, skaters are guaranteed to have a secured position in a specific Tier of the program for the whole season but funding adjustments may be made throughout the season. Skaters have the opportunity to enter the PPP and/or upgrade their Tier at defined points through the season (these skaters then remain secured into their new Tier for the remainder of the season). Skaters nominated to Tiers Gold-Iron of the PP Program receive additional support through the Canadian Sport Institute in the form of IPS (Integrated Performance System) carding.

Skaters in the PPP are on a pathway towards national programs; a goal of the PPP is to ensure that these skaters are being adequately supported at a provincial level.

- Tier Gold skaters are expected to be performing at levels competitive with skaters who are named to national programs. Skaters are typically engaged in Stage 4 programming on the Elite Athlete Pathway (see [Elite Athlete Pathway Overview](#) document for details).
- Tier Silver skaters are expected to be qualifying to compete in the Canadian Senior Championships. Junior-aged Tier Silver skaters are expected to be competitive with skaters who are named to the Canadian Team sent to the World Junior Championships. Skaters are typically engaged in Stage 3 programming on the [Elite Athlete Pathway](#).
- Tier Bronze skaters are expected to be progressing towards qualifying for the Canadian Senior Championships. Junior-aged Tier Bronze skaters are expected to be ranking in the top half of the junior system. Skaters are typically engaged in Stage 2/3 programming on the [Elite Athlete Pathway](#) and are named to the Canada Winter Games short list during the season of the Games.
- Tier Iron skaters (ISU Juniors only) are expected to be participating in national junior ranking competitions and/or performing at the T2T age-class national championships. Skaters are typically engaged in Stage 1/2 programming on the [Elite Athlete Pathway](#) and are named to the Canada Winter Games long list during the two seasons prior to the Games.
- Tier Black skaters (ISU Juniors only) are entering the PP system and are expected to be qualifying to the T2T age-class national championships.

ADC will complete the first review for potential candidates for the 2018-2019 BCSSA PPP in May of 2018. All candidates must be BCSSA members in good standing and Canadian Citizens. Skaters who have achieved these standards will be notified by ADC.

BCSSA PP Program Requirements: Short Track

Candidates include skaters who have met **one (1)** of the qualification requirements (see below). Where applicable, times must be skated on a 111.12m track during the 2017-2018 season in a sanctioned competition (BCSSA/Provincial, SSC or ISU). Only electronically recorded times will be accepted for short track. Times converted from another track will not be accepted.

	2017-2018 Season	2018-2019 Season	
	Qualification Requirement: March 31, 2018	Qualification Requirement: November 30, 2018	Qualification Requirement: February 20, 2019
Tier Gold (All ages)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2017-2018 Senior National Rank* of top 20 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2018 Canadian ST Championship top 20 	(n/a)
Tier Silver (All ages)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2017-2018 Senior National Rank* of top 32 2017-2018 Junior National Rank* of top 10 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compete in the 2018 Canadian ST Championship Top 12 Juniors at 2018 ST Canada Cup 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2019 Canadian Junior Championship top 14 overall
Tier Bronze (All ages)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2017-2018 Senior National Rank* of top 36 2018 Canadian Open Senior Selections #2 results top 30 2017-2018 Junior National Rank* of top 36 2018 Canadian Open Junior Selections #2 results top 30 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Junior competing in 2018 ST Canada Cup 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participate in 2019 Canadian Junior Championship

	2017-2018 Season	2018-2019 Season	
	Qualification Requirement: March 31, 2018	Qualification Requirement: November 30, 2018	Qualification Requirement: February 20, 2019
Tier Iron (ISU Junior at time of completion of requirement)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have a 2017-2018 Junior National Rank* • 2018 Canadian Open Junior Selections #2 results top 50 • Junior with 2017-2018 WEC Open Rank** top 50% • 2017-2018 WEC U17 Rank** of top 50% • Place in the top 5 overall in the F13, F14, M13 or M14 categories at Canada West 2018 • During 2017-2018 season, Junior skater achieves 500m time of 49.731 (females) or 45.459 (males); times represent 110% of the fastest 500m time (per gender) skated at the 2017 Canadian Junior Championship 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior at WEC #1 2018 top 50% Open Rank • WEC #1 2018 top 50% U17 Rank 	(n/a)
Tier Black (ISU Junior at time of completion of requirement)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medallist in an individual distance in Div 1 (F13/14) or Div 3 (M14/15) at the Richmond Western T2T (December 2017) • Place in the top half of the field overall in the F13, F14, M13 or M14 categories at Canada West 2018 • Medallist in an individual distance in the U16 category at the 2018 BC Winter Games • During 2017-2018 season, Junior skater achieves 500m time of 50.677 (females) or 47.443 (males); times represent 115% of the fastest 500m time (per gender) skated at the 2017 Canadian Junior Championship 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior participating in WEC #1 2018 	(n/a)

Abbreviations:

- WEC: Western Elite Circuit

* For more details about the 2017-2018 Speed Skating Canada (SSC) Ranking System, please see the [SSC High Performance ST Bulletins](#).

** When available, further details regarding the 2017-2018 WEC Ranking System will be made available on the BCSSA website.

BCSSA PP Program Selection Requirements: Long Track

Candidates include skaters who have met **one (1)** of the qualification requirements (see below). Where applicable, times must be skated during the specified season in a sanctioned competition (BCSSA/Provincial, SSC or ISU).

	Qualification Requirement: March 31, 2018	Qualification Requirement: December 31, 2018
Tier Gold (All ages)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Place (Canada's World Cup #5 quota*** x2) at CSD 2018 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Place (Canada's World Cup quota*** x2) at CSD 2018
Tier Silver (All ages)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participate in CSD 2018 Top 10 overall at Canadian Junior Championship 2018 Top 5 overall sprint ranking at Canadian Junior Championship 2018 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participate in CSD 2018
Tier Bronze (All ages)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Achieve 2017-2018 Canada Cup time standard*** in >2 distances Top 50% overall at Canadian Junior Championship 2018 Top 30% sprint ranking at Canadian Junior Championship 2018 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Achieve 2018-2019 Canada Cup time standard in >2 distances
Tier Iron (ISU Junior at time of completion of requirement)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Achieve 2017-2018 Canada Cup time standard in 2 distances Participate in Canadian Junior Championship 2018 Place in the top 5 overall in the F13, F14, M13 or M14 categories at CACLT 2018 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Achieve 2018-2019 Canada Cup time standard in 2 distances
Tier Black (ISU Junior at time of completion of requirement)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Achieve 2017-2018 Canada Cup time standard in 1 distance Place in the top half of the field overall in the F13, F14, M13 or M14 categories at CACLT 2018 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Achieve 2018-2019 Canada Cup time standard in 1 distance Junior-aged skater finishing in the top half in a distance at CanAm

Abbreviations:

- CSD: Canadian Single Distance
- FWCT: Fall World Cup Trials
- CACLT: Canadian Age Class Long Track Championship

***For more details about Canada's World Cup quotas and Canada Cup time standards, please see the [SSC High Performance LT Bulletins](#).