



2019-2020

***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 2019-2020 Provincial Performance Program. Requirements may be completed either during the 2018-2019 season or during the 2019-2020 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 adapt to 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 as Targeted Athletes.

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 (Stage 1 programming on the [Elite Athlete Pathway](#)) and are expected to be qualifying to the T2T age-class national championships.

ADC will complete the first review for potential candidates for the 2019-2020 BCSSA PPP in May of 2019. 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).

	Qualification Requirement: March 31, 2019	Qualification Requirement: December 31, 2019
Tier Gold (All ages)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2018-2019 Senior National Rank* of top 20 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2019 Canadian ST Championship top 20
Tier Silver (All ages)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2018-2019 Senior National Rank* of top 32 2018-2019 Junior National Rank* of top 10 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compete in 2019 Canadian ST Championship 2019 Canadian Junior Championship top 12 overall
Tier Bronze (All ages)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2018-2019 Senior National Rank* of top 36 2019 Canadian Senior Selections results top 30 2018-2019 Junior National Rank* of top 36 2019 Canadian Junior Selections results top 30 Named to TEAM BC ST for the 2019 Canada Winter Games 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compete in 2019 Canadian Junior Championship WEC #1 2019 Open results top 10
Tier Iron (ISU Junior at time of completion of requirement)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have a 2018-2019 Junior National Rank* 2019 Canadian Junior Selections results top 50 Junior with 2018-2019 WEC Open Rank top 50% Place in the top 5 overall in the F13, F14, M13 or M14 categories at Canada West 2019 Qualified for the TEAM BC ST Selection Trials 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Junior at WEC #1 2019 top 50% Open Rank Junior at WEC #2 2019 top 50% Open Rank
Tier Black (ISU Junior at time of completion of requirement)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Place in the top half of the field overall in the F13, F14, M13 or M14 categories at Canada West 2019 Junior with 2018-2019 WEC Open Rank top 67% 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Junior at WEC #1 2019 75% Open Rank Junior at WEC #2 2019 top 75% Open Rank

* For more details about the 2018-2019 Speed Skating Canada (SSC) Ranking System, please see the [SSC High Performance ST Bulletins](#) and the [SSC Ranking webpage](#).

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, 2019	Qualification Requirement: December 31, 2019
Tier Gold (All ages)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2018-2019 Canadian Ranking List top 10 in the 500m, 1000m or 1500m • 2018-2019 Canadian Ranking List top 5 in the 3000m/5000m or mass start 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2019 Canadian Single Distance Championship top 50% in a distance
Tier Silver (All ages)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2018-2019 Canadian Ranking List top 20 in the 500m, 1000m or 1500m • 2018-2019 Canadian Ranking List top 10 in the 3000m/5000m or mass start • Top 10 overall at Canadian Junior Championship 2019 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compete in 2019 Canadian Single Distance Championship
Tier Bronze (All ages)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Achieve 2018-2019 Canada Cup time standard*** in >2 distances • Top 50% overall at Canadian Junior Championship 2019 • Named to TEAM BC LT for the 2019 Canada Winter Games 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Achieve 2019-2020 Canada Cup time standard in >2 distances
Tier Iron (ISU Junior at time of completion of requirement)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Achieve 2018-2019 Canada Cup time standard in 2 distances • Compete in Canadian Junior Championship 2019 • Place in the top 5 overall in the F13, F14, M13 or M14 categories at CACLT 2019 • Qualified for the TEAM BC LT Selection Trials 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Achieve 2019-2020 Canada Cup time standard in 2 distances
Tier Black (ISU Junior at time of completion of requirement)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Achieve 2018-2019 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 2019 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Achieve 2019-2020 Canada Cup time standard in 1 distance • Junior-aged skater finishing in the top half in a distance at CanAm 2019

**For more details about the Canadian Ranking List, please see the [SSC Ranking webpage](#).

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