

PENTATHLON CANADA

Qualification and Selection Policy

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This document outlines the policies for Pentathlon Canada's National Team selection and competition qualification requirements, for the 2024 – 2028 quadrennial.

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Introduction

Pentathlon Canada is dedicated to developing high performance athletes with a focus on competing at the highest levels of international competitions. Its mandate and the nature of its HP policies are invested in best serving that mission; qualification and performance at Major Games and Major Championships. This document outlines the policies as they pertain to National Team qualification and competition selection.

For clarifications or questions on the content of the Selection Policy, please contact the Pentathlon Canada HPD at ian.soellner@gmail.com.

Policy amendments will be communicated to Pentathlon Canada members.

Pentathlon Canada National Team Criteria

- Current Pentathlon Canada registered member.
- Canadian citizen with a valid passport, or on the citizenship pathway and approved by the UIPM to represent Pentathlon Canada.
- Participation in the most recent National Pentathlon Championships. *
- Signed NSO – Athlete Agreement.
- When applicable, satisfaction of COC and UIPM criteria.
- Completion of Respect in Sport for Activity Leaders.

Specific National Team Standards

- The following must be satisfied in addition to the above requirements.



National Team	Standards	Eligible Competitions
Senior	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence of a complete pentathlon training program; • Achieve a score, in the preceding or current season, at a UIPM or sanctioned Pentathlon Canada competition, that is equal to or greater than: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men; 1470 or Swim • Women; 1285 or Swim 	UIPM Category A, B & C events
Junior	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence of a complete pentathlon training program; • Achieve a score, in the preceding or current season, at a UIPM or sanctioned Pentathlon Canada competition, that is equal to or greater than: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men; 1400 or Swim + Laser Run – 900 • Women; 1220 or Swim + Laser Run – 790 • Dedicated personal coach engagement with national team coach; 	UIPM JR World Championships UIPM Junior Competitions
Youth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence of a complete pentathlon training program; • Achieve a score, in the preceding or current season, at a UIPM or sanctioned Pentathlon Canada U19 competition, that is equal to or greater than: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • U19 Men; 1390 or Swim + Laser Run – 900 • U17 Men; 1295 or Swim + Laser Run – 860 • U15 Men; 1085 or Swim + Laser Run – 820 • U19 Women; 1215 or Swim + Laser Run – 790 • U17 Women; 1150 or Swim + Laser Run – 760 • U15 Women; 1065 or Swim + Laser Run – 800 • Dedicated personal coach engagement with national team coach; 	UIPM Youth World Championships UIPM Youth Competitions



Development Team	Criteria	Competitions
Senior	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence of a complete pentathlon training program; • Achieve a score, in the preceding or current season, at a UIPM or sanctioned Pentathlon Canada competition, that is equal to or greater than: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men – 1400 • Women – 1220 	UIPM Category B & C events Pan American Championships
Junior	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence of a complete pentathlon training program; • Achieve a score, in the preceding or current season, at a UIPM or sanctioned Pentathlon Canada competition, that is equal to or greater than: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men – 1330 • Women – 1160 • Dedicated personal coach engagement with national team coach; 	UIPM Junior Competitions (except for World Championships)
Youth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Achieve a score, in the preceding or current season, at a UIPM or sanctioned Pentathlon Canada U19 competition, that is equal to or greater than: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • U19 Men – 1320 • U17 Men – 1230 • U15 Men – 1030 • U19 Women – 1155 • U17 Women – 1095 • U15 Women – 1010 • Dedicated personal coach engagement with national team coach; 	UIPM Youth Competitions (except for World Championships)

Notes

- Reaching a National Team standard does not imply qualification for any specific event. It does ensure priority in event selection, and support, to the extent possible, from Pentathlon Canada.
- An achieved standard is valid for the current and following competition season until December 31 (by calendar year). If a standard is updated, the most recent standard applies.
- Senior, Junior, U19 and U17 criteria are based on 5-discipline scores (Score total of fencing, obstacle, swimming, and laser run). U15 ranking is based on 4-discipline results (no fencing).
- Athletes may compete at events which correlate to the criteria they have met specific to each competition category (Senior, Junior, Youth, Master).
- A Swim + Laser Run score is ranked against 5-discipline scores; its purpose is to provide additional opportunities to qualify for international events via recorded time trials.
- Athletes not reaching an above standard are eligible for UIPM Category C and external nationally-sanctioned events.
- The 'Athlete Pool' refers to those athletes who competed in the most recent National Championship. Athletes with an exemption may request the HPD (by email) to be added to the 'athlete pool.'
- Athletes are requested to notify the HPD (by email) when they have achieved a new standard.
- Specific competitions (i.e. Major Games and some Major Championships) will follow a specific qualification pathway.
- Pentathlon Canada events include Winter National and Summer National Championships, or others noted as Canada Cup events.
- Canada Cup events are designated competition within Canada where athletes from all provinces have an open invitation to compete and international competitors may be invited to participate. The event is pre-approved by Pentathlon Canada (PC) as a designated qualifying competition within the selection criterion. A Canada Cup event will be verified by a PC Technical Delegate to ensure scoring and event procedures are consistent with the UIPM rules.
- Allowable Exemption: Criteria for a waiver shall include but not be limited to; injury, school requirements, personal family emergencies, conflicting international competitions or other extenuating circumstances confirmed by Pentathlon Canada High Performance Director.

International Competition Selection Criteria

Pentathlon Canada must approve all athlete registration for any competition outside of Canada. Athletes must apply to Pentathlon Canada to participate in all international competitions.

- Athletes must have met the applicable Pentathlon Canada National Team Standard.
- Selection for international competitions is based on the available entry quotas in ranking priority order.

Major Games Selection Criteria

The INP to compete at a Major Games will be published as early as possible prior to the qualification period, and will include the Canadian Olympic Committee and UIPM selection requirements.