



RINGETTE ONTARIO

PROVINCIAL TEAM SELECTION POLICY (CWG)

PURPOSE

The purpose of this document is to outline the criteria that shall be used to select Team Ontario for Canada Winter Games 2023.

ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- All athletes must be in good standing with Ringette Ontario and their local club.
- All athletes are required to play with a Club team as well as with Team Ontario.
- All athletes must be chosen from the HP AAA Program.

EVALUATION

- Players will be evaluated at HP AAA Training Camps, Ontario Winter Games, Provincial and National Championships.
- Selected players will be invited to Selection Camp, following the conclusion of the National Ringette Championships.
- If additional evaluators are used in Team Ontario player selection during Selection Camp(s), they must represent at least three (3) different regions and be independent of players involved.

ATHLETE SELECTION PROCESS

The Selection Process for players to attend Team Ontario Tryout Camp will be as follows:

- At the conclusion of Ontario Winter Games, the Head Coach of each AAA Team will submit to the Coach of Team Ontario a list of his/her top three (3) athletes, (1 forward/centre, 1 defense and 1 additional athlete (may include goaltender)) to invite to the Team Ontario tryout.
- In addition to the athletes nominated by the HP AAA Program Head Coaches, the Team Ontario coaching staff are permitted to invite additional athletes to bring the total number up to a maximum of sixty (60) participants.

TEAM SELECTION

- Following the final selection, the Head Coach will, in consultation with the Assistant Coaches select the final roster of 18 athletes. The goal being to put together the best possible. Up to five (5) alternates will be selected to continue to train with team.
- Factors that will be considered in this selection include physical and technical aspects of the game, as well as team dynamics. These factors, which will be assigned weight by the Head Coach, as they/them deems appropriate for the decision-making process, include:
 - Previous and current performance
 - Experience
 - Positional requirements (primary and backup)

- Present and projected development and/or improvement
- Leadership/Contribution to team chemistry
- Availability for competition and training

EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES

It is understood that in making selections to create the best possible Team, it is possible that the best individual athletes may not be selected. Athletes may be invited to Selection Camp and/or named to the team as authorized by the Ringette Ontario Technical Director, the Ringette Ontario Executive Director, and Team Ontario Head Coach upon their sole discretion, if an athlete(s) was unable to participate in mandatory events, competitions, or evaluations due to illness, injury, other medical circumstance or personal, educational, or competitive commitments. Exemption requests must be sent in writing/email to Ringette Ontario's Technical Director.

CHANGES TO THE DOCUMENT

If unforeseen circumstances arise which do not allow for this selection process to happen as outlined in this document, Ringette Ontario reserves the right to identify an alternate process. Should this occur, all athletes in the selection process will be notified of these changes in a timely manner.

REMOVAL FROM A CAMP OR FROM THE TEAM

An athlete may be removed from a camp or from a Team where the athlete:

- Is unable to meet performance expectations.
- Is unable to perform due to injury, illness or for other medical reasons as determined by medical professional.
- Is unable to commit to the required Team activities (note: that an athlete may obtain an exemption from the Head Coach and Ringette Ontario).
- Violates team rules and/or Ringette Ontario policies and procedures; or
- Exhibits conduct that is detrimental to the image of Ringette Ontario.

Removal from team must be discussed (in writing/email) with Ringette Ontario Technical Director before decision is made.

SUBSTITUTION OF ALTERNATES

Where necessary and appropriate, an athlete removed from a Team may be replaced by an alternate selected by the Head Coach.

APPEALS

Ringette Ontario Team selections may be appealed in accordance with the procedures set out in the Ringette Ontario Appeals policy.