

NATIONAL TEAM PROGRAM COMPETITION TOURS SELECTION CRITERIA

2021 – 2022 Season
September 7, 2021

PREAMBLE

The National Team Program (NTP) of Biathlon Canada is the document that directs the season plan, costs, and athlete selection principles for Biathlon Canada's participation in the IBU World Cup (including World Championships), IBU Cup (including OECH), IBU Junior Cups (including JOECH), IBU Youth/Junior World Championships for the 2021-2022 season. The foundation for this program evolves from the Biathlon Canada Mission and Vision Statements, and the High Performance 2022 Plan.

Note that the Olympic Winter Games 2022 Selection criteria [can be found here](#).

The High Performance Working Group (HPWG) will execute the NTP. The HPWG is made up of the General Manager (Heather Ambery) and two designated Board Members (Lyle McLeod and Megan Imrie).

HPWG decisions will be informed by advisors to the HPWG. The HPWG may decide who to contact depending on the decision being made and the individuals involved in the decision.

- Potential advisors (this list is non-exhaustive): Biathlon Canada National Team Coaches, Tour Coaches, Next Gen Coach, Athlete and Coach Development Manager, Club coaches, IST members, athlete representatives etc.

NOTE: The HPWG reserves the right to contact whomever necessary in order to make the best decision

GOALS OF THE HIGH PERFORMANCE PROGRAM THROUGH 2022

- Medal results at the Beijing 2022 Olympic Winter Games
- Podium performances at the WCH, WC, IBU Cup, and JWCH
- Consistent professional, respectful, and team-centered behaviour.

OBJECTIVES OF THE HIGH PERFORMANCE PROGRAM 2021-22

- One medal at the Olympic Winter Games 2022
- One medal at a World Cup
- Three different individuals in the top 10 at World Cups/World Championships
- Four top-6 performances at World Cup Relay races (at least one top-6 result per gender in a men's/women's relay)
- Two top-8 performances at IBU Cup races
- Two top-10 performances at Junior Youth World Championships

COVID-19 AND MODIFICATIONS TO THE NTP

Biathlon Canada is carefully following the evolution of COVID-19 on the global and domestic level and how it may impact the 2021/2022 Biathlon season. Unless otherwise required by exceptional and unforeseen circumstances related to the impact of the Coronavirus-19 pandemic, Biathlon Canada will respect the published National Training Program (NTP) as written. However, situations related to the Coronavirus-19 pandemic may arise that require this NTP to be modified. Any modifications will be made promptly and as often as required following developments that directly impact the NTP. In such circumstances, any modifications will be communicated to all affected individuals as soon as possible.

Further, situations may arise that do not allow this NTP to be modified or applied as written due to time constraints or other exceptional and unforeseen circumstances. In such situations, any decision, including nomination decisions, will be made by the High Performance Working Group, in consultation with the relevant individual(s) or committee(s) (as applicable), and in accordance with the stated performance objectives and selection philosophy and approach as stated herein. Should it be necessary to make any decision in this manner, Biathlon Canada will communicate with all affected individuals as soon as possible.

Should a tour or a portion of a tour be cancelled or postponed, Biathlon Canada reserves the right to modify or adjust all components of the tour including the team composition as deemed necessary.

ELIGIBILITY

In order to be eligible for the IBU World Cup (including World Championships), IBU Cup (including OECH), IBU Junior Cups (including JOECH), and IBU Youth/Junior World Championships, for the 2021-2022 season, athletes must be in compliance with the following:

- The athlete must meet age and competency eligibility as defined by the [IBU Event and Competition Rules](#) and any other documentation provided by the IBU;

- Please see Appendix A for a list of eligible athletes for World Cup Tour 1 and IBU Cup Tour 1 as provided by the IBU.
- The athlete must submit a signed Athlete Agreement before the start of the tour;
- The athlete must complete the current Biathlon Canada recommended safe sport education module;
- The athlete must have completed a CCES anti-doping course within the past 12 months;
- The athlete must be registered with Biathlon Canada and be a participant in good standing; and
- The athlete must be in compliance with Biathlon Canada's policies, procedures, and guidelines.

2021-2022 team positions available:

- IBU World Cup (WC), up to: four (4) males, four (4) females;
- IBU Cup (IBUC), up to: four (4) males, four (4) females;
- Open European Championships (OECH), up to: six (6) males, six (6) females
- IBU Junior Cup (JIBUC) and Junior Open European Championships (JOECH), up to: five (5) males, five (5) females;
- IBU Junior World Championships (WJCH), up to: four (4) males, four (4) females;
- IBU Youth World Championships (WYCH), up to: four (4) males, four (4) females;
- FISU, up to: six (6) males and six (6) females.

The HPWG has the right to add athletes as discretionary selections to any tour. If there are more athletes/gender than available start positions, the coaching staff will determine who competes in the competitions.

METHODS FOR TEAM SELECTION:

Four team selection methods may be used to select athletes to represent Canada on the various IBU World Cup, IBU Cup, IBU Junior Cups, and IBU Youth/Junior World Championships tours for the 2021-2022 season. The specific method(s) used for team selection will change depending on the tour in question. A detailed breakdown of the team selection method(s) to be used for each tour can be found in the Season Plan section.

Please note: In all cases, athlete behavior and compliance with Biathlon Canada's policies, procedures, and guidelines will be considered when making team selection decisions.

1. Pre-Selection:

- Athletes achieving top 16 results at WC or World Championships in the previous competitive season (2020-2021) have been pre-selected to compete at World Cup Tour #1: **Christian Gow, Scott Gow, Emma Lunder**.
- Athletes achieving a Top 25 result at WC or World Championships or a top 3 result at IBUC in the previous competitive season have been pre-selected to compete at IBU Cup Tour #1: **Megan Bankes**

- Any Junior/Youth athlete selected in and competing in World Cup Tour 1 or 2 or IBU Cup Tour 1 or 2 is pre-selected for JYWCH.

2. Trials: Athletes' results at Trials will impact their selection for the tours noted below. Athletes will be ranked according to the principles outlined under the "Selection Method: Trial Ranking" section below.

- World Cup/IBU Cup/FISU Trials - Week of November 1st in Canmore, AB: WC Tour #1, IBUC Tour #1, FISU.
 - For the World Cup and IBU Cup senior tours there will be one ranking used at November Trials. Eligible athletes will be selected in order.
 - FISU: one ranking with eligible athletes who have completed their Expression of Interest form.
 - If a Youth athlete qualifies objectively for a Senior category tour, they will be considered as a discretionary selection only. See discretionary selection criteria below.
- World Youth/Junior Trials - January 3, 4, 6 2022 in ValCartier, Quebec: World Youth Junior Championships Team
 - There will be three rankings used at Youth Junior Trials:
 - YWCH selection: All eligible athletes born in 2003-2006 will be ranked together.
 - JWCH selection: All eligible athletes born 2000-2002 will be ranked together.
 - Junior IBU Cup Tour 2 there will be one ranking used for eligible athletes (YOB 2000-2006).
 - A youth-aged athlete may not race in the junior category at JWCH.

Note: A ski/roller ski control protocol will be used at all Trials events. Skis should be clean when they are submitted for wax protocol. As a reminder, there is a fluoro ban in effect in 2021-2022.

3. IBU World Cup, IBU Cup, and Junior IBU Cup Competition Ranking: The athletes' ranking in the current season competition will be considered when making team selection decisions.

Note: In a Super Sprint and pursuit, the final overall result will be used for Competition Ranking.

4. Discretionary Selection: The HPWG will make team selection decisions in consideration of any or all of the following (*NOTE: the order of the following bullet points do not imply order of importance. The relevance and or weighting of any of these points will be dependent on the situation and decision at hand*):

- Current and historical results including but not limited to: IBU International competitions, North American Open (NorAm), Trials, and Domestic races;
- Demonstrated ability to meet Biathlon Canada's *Objectives of the High Performance Program 2021-2022* (see page 1-2 above) and potential to meet long-term objectives of Olympic, World Cup, or World Championship medals through 2026 and beyond;

- Fit with the appropriate competition level for the athlete's long-term development;
- Strategic long-term athlete development;
- Selection process impacted by illness, injury or force majeure;
- Recent improvements in performance parameters, such as shooting performance or ski speed;
- Recent decline in performance parameters, such as shooting performance or ski speed;
- Ability to effectively contribute to a relay performance;
- Competition field size and quality;
- Athlete behavior and compliance to [Biathlon Canada Policies, Procedures, and Guidelines](#).

Should no athletes meet established criteria for a tour position, or should an athlete decline selection, the HPWG may:

- Fill the position as a discretionary selection; or,
- Leave the position unfilled.

The HPWG may choose not to fill an available tour position based on Biathlon Canada budget considerations and overall long-term athlete development strategy.

SELECTION METHOD:

Trial ranking

- Athletes will be ranked using Performance Percentage by dividing the average of the top three finishers' final times by the final time of a particular athlete, truncated to two decimal points.
 - At selection events with one race, the competitor with the highest Performance Percentage will be ranked higher.
 - At selection events with two races, the two Performance Percentages will be averaged for ranking.
 - At selection events with three races, the Performance Percentages for the athlete's best two races (highest performance percentages) will be averaged for ranking.
 - At selection events with four races, the Performance Percentages for the athlete's best three races (highest performance percentages) will be averaged for ranking.
- If there is still a tie, Discretionary Selection will be used.
- An athlete in the men's/women's category must achieve an overall Performance Percentage of at least 94% in the trials period to be eligible for selection (World Cup and IBU Cup).
- A Junior athlete must achieve an overall Performance Percentage of at least 92% in the trials period to be eligible for selection.
- A Youth athlete must achieve an overall Performance Percentage of at least 90% in the trials period to be eligible for selection.

- *To clarify, if a Junior athlete is attempting to qualify for a World Cup or IBU Cup position, they must achieve a minimum performance percentage of the category in which they are qualifying for. In this example, 94%. The same would be true for a Youth attempting to race Senior (94%) or Junior (92%).*
- Results of athletes pre-selected for a tour will not be factored into the performance percentages, **except for** results of athletes pre-selected for IBU Cup Tour 1: these results will be factored into the performance percentage.
- Athletes competing for a nation other than Canada will not be factored into the ranking.
- In the event of an extreme injury, severe illness, or significant adverse unforeseen circumstance that impacts an athlete's ability to compete during the Senior Tour 1 Trials period, the HPWG reserves the right to place an athlete on World Cup Tour 1 or IBU Cup Tour 1 using Discretionary Selection criteria. This reserved right would take precedence over the selection criteria described in the World Cup Tour 1 and IBU Cup Tour 1 Season Plan.
 - In order for an athlete to make a request that illness, injury, or adverse unforeseen circumstance be taken into consideration by the HPWG, the following process must be followed:
 - Chronic Injury or Illness (an injury or sickness that has been present more than 24 hours before the race): A physician's note detailing the problem and the prognosis must be presented to the HPWG prior to the race in question. The HPWG must also receive notice of the athlete's desire to be considered as a Discretionary Selection under this clause no later than two hours after the last competition
 - Acute Injury or Illness (an injury or sickness that has been present less than 24 hours before the race): The HPWG must receive written notice of the problem prior to the race in question. The HPWG must also receive notice of the athlete's desire to be considered as a Discretionary Selection under this clause no later than two hours after the last competition. A physician's note explaining the details of the problem and the prognosis must be presented to the HPWG within 24 hours of the last race of the Trials period.
 - Adverse unforeseen circumstance (e.g. close family bereavement): The HPWG must receive written notice of the circumstance prior to the race in question. The HPWG must also receive notice of the athlete's desire to be considered as a Discretionary Selection under this clause no later than two hours after the last competition

ATHLETE COMMUNICATION AND APPEALS

All team selections and the rationale used for selection will be formally communicated to all impacted athletes by the HPWG.

Cases of incorrect calculation, omission, or process should be brought to the attention of Biathlon Canada's General Manager immediately. If the selection remains in dispute, appeal of selection is subject to the Biathlon Canada Dispute Resolution Policy and Appeal Policy found [here](#).

B. POLICIES, PROCEDURES, FEES:

- While on tour, coaches are responsible for determining competition start order and composition of relay teams.
- Tour fees will be charged for Athletes competing on all tours.
- A deposit for each tour will be collected before each tour commences. Athletes will be notified of the tour costs in advance to each tour and the payment schedule.
- Athletes and staff on tour are required to adhere to all relevant [Biathlon Canada Policies, Procedures, and Guidelines](#)
- Athletes obtaining a top 25 World Cup ranking will have their team fees reduced by the amount Biathlon Canada receives from the IBU Top 25 athlete performance subsidy. Should there be no team fees, the subsidy will be paid to Biathlon Canada.
- Biathlon Canada is the sanctioning authority for Canadian participation in IBU-sanctioned events beyond the North American Cup series and North American Championships.
- The season has been designed with specific athlete development in mind. Therefore, athletes will not have the option to plan and create their own participation in IBU events as has been done in the past. Athletes are welcome to attend non-IBU events on their own.
- Except for the Senior National Team, athletes are responsible for securing their own National "D" Visa (Schengen VISA) extensions (if required).

TRANSFER BETWEEN TOURS:

- The HPWG reserves the right to move athletes between any Biathlon Canada tour at any time. Any such movement will be governed by the Discretionary Selection principles outlined above. Similarly, the HPWG may also decide to release an athlete from the team, where they would return to Canada.
- The HPWG also reserves the right to transfer athletes back to Canada during a tour. Any such movement will be governed by the Discretionary Selection principles outlined above.
- At the completion of each Tour, the HPWG will announce the team that will attend the subsequent Tour using the selection method outlined in the Season Plan.
- Athletes who move between tours will have fees charged, or credited, as required, on a pro rata basis for the races completed within a tour.

2021-2022 SEASON PLAN:

IBU WORLD CUP, IBU CUP, AND IBU YOUTH/JUNIOR CUPS

WORLD CUP AND IBU CUP TOURS

*Departure dates are subject to change

World Cup Tour 1		November 19 - December 20	
Selection:			
Men: 1. Pre-Selection: Christian Gow 2. Pre-Selection- Scott Gow 3. 1 st overall at Tour 1 Trials 4. 2nd Overall Tour 1 Trials		Women: 1. Pre-Selection: Emma Lunder 2. 1 st overall at Tour 1 Trials 3. 2nd overall at Tour 1 Trials 4. 3rd overall Tour 1 Trials	
Tour Logistics			
Event	Dates	Maximum Starts	Fees <small>*all fees are estimates made at time of publication</small>
Season opener: Ostersund	Nov. 24 - 29	4 Male; 4 Female	\$4,500
WC 1 Ostersund	Nov. 29 - Dec. 6	4 Male; 4 Female	
WC 2 Hochfilzen	Dec. 6 - 13	4 Male; 4 Female	
WC 3 Le Grand Bornand	Dec. 13 - 19	4 Male; 4 Female	

IBU Cup Tour 1		November 19 - December 20	
<p>Selection: Should any of the IBU Cup Tour 1 pre-selected athletes noted below make World Cup Tour 1, their position on IBU Cup Tour 1 will become vacant. Positions will be filled in order of Trials Ranking except for position 4, which will remain a Discretionary Selection.</p>			
Men: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 3rd overall at Tour 1 Trials 2. 4th overall at Tour 1 Trials 3. 5th overall at Tour 1 Trials 4. Discretionary Selection 		Women: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pre-Selection: Megan Bankes 2. 4th overall at Tour 1 Trials 3. 5th overall at Tour 1 Trials 4. Discretionary Selection 	
Tour Logistics			
Event	Dates	Maximum Starts	Fees <small>*all fees are estimates made at time of publication</small>
IBU Cup 1- Idre	Nov. 23 - 29	4 Male; 4 Female	\$6,000
IBU Cup 2 - Sjusjoen	Nov. 29 - Dec. 6		
Training Camp- Obertilliach	Dec. 6 - 13		
IBU Cup 3- Obertilliach	Dec 13 - 20		

December Training Camp		December 26 – January 3	
<p>Selection: Athletes selected for World Cup Tour 2 and members of the Senior National Team will be invited to attend the December training camp. From December 20 to 26 all athletes are responsible for their own plans.</p>			
Tour Logistics			
Event	Dates	Maximum Starts	Fees <small>*all fees are estimates made at time of publication</small>

Antholz training camp	December 26 - January 3	N/A	\$1,000
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WC Oberhof // IBU Cup Duszniki // Antholz Camp	January 3 – 10
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Selection:

Men	Women
<p>Antholz Camp Discretionary Selection for all invitations.</p> <p>World Cup Oberhof:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Highest overall World Cup points after World Cup Tour 1 Second overall World Cup points after World Cup Tour 1 Third overall World Cup points after World Cup Tour 1 Fourth overall World Cup points after World Cup Tour 1 <p>**Should any of the above athletes be selected for the Antholz Camp, the remaining positions for WC Oberhof will shift up in priority order and any new positions will become Discretionary Selection.</p> <p>IBU Cup Duszniki All remaining World Cup/IBU Cup Tour 2 athletes not selected for Antholz Camp or World Cup Oberhof.</p>	<p>Antholz Camp Discretionary Selection for all invitations.</p> <p>World Cup Oberhof:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Highest overall World Cup points after World Cup Tour 1 Second overall World Cup points after World Cup Tour 1 Third overall World Cup points after World Cup Tour 1 Fourth overall World Cup points after World Cup Tour 1 <p>**Should any of the above athletes be selected for the Antholz Camp, the remaining positions for WC Oberhof will shift up in priority order and any new positions will become Discretionary Selection.</p> <p>IBU Cup Duszniki All remaining World Cup/IBU Cup Tour 2 athletes not selected for Antholz Camp or World Cup Oberhof.</p>

Tour Logistics

Event	Dates	Maximum Starts	Fees <small>*all fees are estimates made at time of publication</small>
Training camp- Antholz	Jan. 3 - 10	N/A	\$1,000
WC 4 Oberhof	Jan. 3 - 10	4 Male; 4 Female	\$1,000

IBU Cup 4- Duszniki Droj	Jan 6 - 10	4 Male; 4 Female	\$1,000

WC Tour 2 - Ruhpolding and Antholz		January 7 – January 23	
Selection:			
Men: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Highest overall World Cup points after World Cup Tour 1 6. 2nd highest overall World Cup points after World Cup Tour 1 7. Discretionary Selection 8. Discretionary Selection 		Women: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Highest overall World Cup points after World Cup Tour 1 6. 2nd highest overall World Cup points after World Cup Tour 1 7. Discretionary Selection 8. Discretionary Selection 	
Tour Logistics			
Event	Dates	Maximum Starts	Fees <small>*all fees are estimates made at time of publication</small>
WC 5 Ruhpolding	Jan. 7 - 16	4 Male; 4 Female	\$2,000
WC 6 Antholz	Jan 16 - 23	4 Male; 4 Female	

IBU Cup Tour 2		January 6 – February 7	
Selection:			
Men: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Highest overall IBU Cup discipline points after Tour 1 Highest World Cup Points or second highest overall IBU Cup discipline points (World Cup points rank ahead of IBU Cup discipline points) after Tour 1 Discretionary Selection based on all in season racing, including international and Calforex Cup #2. Discretionary Selection based on all in season racing, including international and Calforex Cup #2. <p>*Possibility to add additional positions to OECH based on Discretionary Selection.</p>		Women: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Highest overall IBU Cup discipline points after Tour 1 Highest World Cup Points or second highest overall IBU Cup discipline points (World Cup points rank ahead of IBU Cup discipline points) after Tour 1 Discretionary Selection based on all in season racing, including international and Calforex Cup #2. Discretionary Selection based on all in season racing, including international and Calforex Cup #2. <p>*Possibility to add additional positions to OECH based on Discretionary Selection.</p>	
Tour Logistics			
Event	Dates	Maximum Starts	Fees <small>*all fees are estimates made at time of publication</small>
IBU Cup 5 - Brezno-Osrblie	Jan. 10 - 17	4 Male; 4 Female	<p style="text-align: center;">\$3,000*</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*If an athlete flies from Canada for any part of IBUC Tour 2, \$1,500 will be added to their fee.</p>
OECH pre-camp	Jan. 17 - 24	4 men, 4 women	
OECH - Arber	Jan. 24 - Jan. 31	4 Male; 4 Female *two additional athletes per gender may be added to this tour based on a Discretionary Selection.	
IBU Cup 6 - Nove Mesto	Jan. 31 - Feb. 6	4 Male; 4 Female	

OWG		January 23 – February 21	
Selection: Selection for the 2022 Beijing Olympic Winter Games can be found in the Internal Nomination Procedure (INP) here.			
Men: As per INP		Women: As per INP	
Tour Logistics			
Event	Dates	Maximum Starts	Fees
Pre-Camp Antholz	Jan 23 - 29	TBD based on Olympic Quota	\$1,000
OWG- Beijing	Jan. 30 - Feb. 21	TBD based on Olympic Quota	\$0.00

WORLD CUP TOUR 3		February 21 – March 21	
Selection: *All start spots may not be filled for this tour.			
Men: 1. Athletes in the Top 40 World Cup Total Score will be selected. 2. Discretionary Selection		Women: 1. Athletes in the Top 40 World Cup Total Score will be selected. 2. Discretionary Selection	
Tour Logistics			
Event	Dates	Maximum Starts	Fees <small>*all fees are estimates made at time of publication</small>
Training Camp- TBD	Feb. 21 - 27	4 Male; 4 Female	\$4,000
WC 7 - Kontiolahti	Feb. 28 – Mar. 6		
WC 8 - Otepaa	March 7 – 13		
WC 9 – Oslo	March 14 – 21		

IBU Cup Tour 3		February 28 to March 13, 2021	
<p>Selection:</p> <p>*This tour will not be subsidized by Biathlon Canada and the full cost will be shared equally amongst the athletes attending.</p>			
<p>Men:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Highest overall IBU Cup discipline points after Tour 2 Highest World Cup Points or second highest overall IBU Cup discipline points (World Cup points rank ahead of IBU Cup discipline points) after Tour 2 Discretionary Selection based on all in season racing, including international and domestic. Discretionary Selection based on all in season racing, including international and domestic. 		<p>Women:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Highest overall IBU Cup discipline points after Tour 2 Highest World Cup Points or second highest overall IBU Cup discipline points (World Cup points rank ahead of IBU Cup discipline points) after Tour 2. Discretionary Selection based on all in season racing, including international and domestic. Discretionary Selection based on all in season racing, including international and domestic. 	
Tour Logistics			
Event	Dates	Maximum Starts	Fees <small>*all fees are estimates made at time of publication</small>
IBU Cup 7 - Lenzerheide	Feb 28 - March 6	4 Male; 4 Female	\$5,000
IBU Cup 8 - Ridnaun	March 7-13	4 Male; 4 Female	

FISU - Please See Appendix C

YOUTH / JUNIOR TOURS

*Departure dates are subject to change

Junior IBU Tour 2		January 8 to January 24, 2021	
Selection: All junior-aged athletes (as per the IBU definition) are eligible for selection (YOB 2000-2006)			
Men: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 1st overall Junior at Tour 2 Trials Ranking 2. 2nd overall Junior at Tour 2 Trials Ranking 3. 3rd overall Junior at Tour 2 Trials Ranking 4. 4th overall Junior at Tour 2 Trials Ranking 5. Discretionary Selection 		Women: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 1st overall Junior at Tour 2 Trials Ranking 2. 2nd overall Junior at Tour 2 Trials Ranking 3. 3rd overall Junior at Tour 2 Trials Ranking 4. 4th overall Junior at Tour 2 Trials Ranking 5. Discretionary Selection 	
Tour Logistics			
Event	Dates	Maximum Starts	Fees <small>*all fees are estimates made at time of publication</small>
JIBU 3 - Hochfilzen	January 10 - 15	5 Male; 5 Female	\$5,000
JOECH - Pokljuka	January 17 - 23	5 Male; 5 Female	

Youth World Championships Tour		February 14 – March 3	
Selection:			
Men: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pre-selection: Athletes competing in World Cup or IBU Cup Tour 1 or 2 2. All remaining positions filled via Trial ranking at World Youth Junior Trials 		Women: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pre-selection: Athletes competing in World Cup or IBU Cup Tour 1 or 2 2. All remaining positions filled via Trial ranking at World Youth Junior Trials 	
Tour Logistics			
Event	Dates	Maximum Starts	Fees <small>*all fees are estimates made at time of publication</small>
Pre-Camp - Canmore	Feb. 14 - 20	4 Male; 4 Female	\$3,500
YJWCH – Soldier Hollow	Feb. 20 - Mar. 3		

Junior World Championships Tour		February 14 – March 3	
Selection:			
Men: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pre-selection: Athletes competing in World Cup or IBU Cup Tour 1 or 2 2. All remaining positions filled via Trial ranking at World Youth Junior Trials 		Women: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pre-selection: Athletes competing in World Cup or IBU Cup Tour 1 or 2 2. All remaining positions filled via Trial ranking at World Youth Junior Trials 	
Tour Logistics			
Event	Dates	Maximum Starts	Fees <small>*all fees are estimates made at time of publication</small>
Pre-Camp: Canmore	Feb. 14 - 20	4 Male; 4 Female	\$3,500
YJWCH – Soldier Hollow	Feb. 20 - Mar. 3		

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Appendix A: 2021-2022 Trimester 1 World Cup and IBU Cup eligible athletes

Gender	Family Name	Given Name	Year Birth	WCX	ICX
W	ARIANO	Danica	2001		X
W	BANKES	Megan	1997	X	X
W	BEAUDRY	Sarah	1994	X	X
W	BLACK	Larissa	1999		X
W	BURKE	Calista	1999		X
W	CHLEPKOVA	Ema	2003		
W	COYNE	Karly	2000		X
W	CRAWFORD	Rosanna	1988		X
W	DICKSON	Emily	1997	X	X
W	FRIESEN	Kira	2002		
W	GOWLING	Gillian	1999		X
W	GRUNDAHL	Janice	2000		X
W	HAMEL	Charlotte	1996		X
W	KLOTZ	Annika	2001		X

W	LUNDER	Emma	1991	X	X
W	MALKOSKE	Emma	2004		
W	MOSER	Nadia	1997	X	X
W	NGUYEN-CAO	Claire	2002		X
W	OSNESS	Emma	2001		X
W	PARADIS	Pascale	2002		X
W	PEIFFER	Benita	2000	X	X
W	PEKOS	Zoe	1998		X
W	PERUSSE	Frederique	2001		X
W	ROUSSEAU	Shilo Luca	2000		X
W	SAUVE	Elise	2000		X
W	SELLERS	Anna	1999	X	X
W	SEPANDJ	Darya	1997	X	X
W	SHERRINGTON	Jenna	2002		X
W	SKELTON	Hannah	2000		X
W	STADNYK	Hanne	1998		X

W	TAM VON BURG	Leilani	1995		X
W	TANDY	Megan	1988		X
W	TURNER	Mackenzie	1998		X
W	VARIEUR	Natasia	2000		X
W	WALCH	Naomi	2002		
W	YUNGBLUT	Erin	1993		X
M	ALGRA	Ethan	2002		
M	ALGRA	Peter Jarod	1997		X
M	BENDER	Cole	2001		X
M	BERG	Finn	2002		X
M	BERGEN	Bjorn	2004		
M	BERLING	Chad	1998		X
M	BOCHKARNIKOV	Sergey	1998		X
M	BOLDUC	Zachari	1997		X
M	BORGLUM	Haldan	1999	X	X
M	BURNOTTE	Jules	1996	X	X

M	CHAMPAGNE	Romeo	2002		
M	COMEAU	Alexandre	2004		
M	CONNELLY	Zachary	2001		X
M	CONNON	Liam	2002		
M	DEMERS	Zachary	2001		X
M	DRAPER	Jake	2000		X
M	DUPUIS	Alexandre	1995	X	X
M	ELDEN	Ryan	1999		X
M	FRADETTE	Theo	2004		
M	GAUTHIER	Simon	2004		
M	GAUTHIER	Simon	2002		
M	GILLILAND	Rory	2000		X
M	GIRARD	Vincent	2002		
M	GOW	Christian	1993	X	X
M	GOW	Scott	1990	X	X
M	GREEN	Brendan	1986		X

M	HAMEL	Frederic	2002		
M	HANNA	Pearce	1996		X
M	HUDEC	Matthew	1994		X
M	HULSMAN	Thomas	1999		X
M	KELLY	Kieran	2001		X
M	KIERS	Trevor	1997	X	X
M	KREITZ	Robert	1998		X
M	LINKLATER	Callum	2002		
M	LOVSTROM	Reid	2000		X
M	MARCHAND	Keiran	1999		X
M	MILLAR	Aidan	1995	X	X
M	MOINEAU	William	2002		
M	MOSES	Samuel	2002		
M	NIVEN	Avry	2004		
M	PLETZ	Logan	2000	X	X
M	PULLISHY	Michael	1999		X

M	QUINN	Tobias	1998		X
M	RUNNALLS	Adam	1998	X	X
M	SADESKY	Lucas	2003		
M	SANCHEZ	Teo	1997		X
M	SECU	Andrei	1999		X
M	SMITH	Lucas	2000		X
M	SMITH	Nathan	1985		X
M	STRUM	Matthew	1995	X	X
M	TINWORTH	Liam	2004		
M	TWEEDIE	Angus	1997		X
M	VEEKEN	Nicholas	2003		
M	WIGGER	Cedrick	2000		X

Appendix B: 2021-2022 Senior National Team

Name	Hometown	Club
Adam B Runnalls	Calgary, AB	Calgary Biathlon Racers
Christian Gow	Calgary, AB	Rocky Mountain Racers
Emma Lunder	Vernon, BC	Rocky Mountain Racers
Megan Bankes	Calgary, AB	Foothills Nordic
Nadia Moser	Whitehorse, YT	Biathlon Yukon
Scott Gow	Calgary, AB	Rocky Mountain Racers
Trevor Kiers	Sprucedale, ON	Timmins Biathlon Club

REVISION TO SELECTION CRITERIA 2021 FISU GAMES BIATHLON CANADA

Purpose of this document: This document describes the amended selection mechanism for the 2021 FISU Games.

Background:

- After a paper application selection process at the beginning of August 2020, [Biathlon Canada named a team for the 2021 FISU Universiade](#). Six men and Six women were named to the team, with four alternates.
- On August 31, 2020, [FISU postponed the competition](#) due to the pandemic. Both Biathlon Canada team members and unsuccessful applicants were made aware of this postponement. Biathlon Canada also committed to following up regarding team positions.
- On November 6, 2020, the FISU games were officially postponed to December 2021 (instead of the original January 2021).
- For information on the FISU Biathlon Sport Program, [please follow this link](#).

Team Selection for December 2021 FISU Games:

Due to the postponement of the 2021 FISU Universiade, Biathlon Canada has revised its qualifying criteria for this event and will apply these criteria in the revised selection process for the 2021 FISU Games.

All interested athletes will be required to submit a new Expression of Interest (EOI) form, and those eligible will participate in a process involving a head-to-head Trials format with a possible three Discretionary Selection positions per gender chosen before the head-to-head trials.

The reasoning for this change is as follows:

- **Readiness (Safety and Competitiveness):** Many applicants and Canadian biathletes have not taken part in a formal biathlon race since February 2020. Over 1.5 years will have passed between the last competition and the FISU Games.
- **Progress and development:** the FISU games are an event on Biathlon Canada's athlete development pathway. Biathlon Canada would like to recognize athlete development over the past two years and provide athletes the opportunity to demonstrate their improvement in a trials format.
- **Fairness for all:** Provide all eligible athletes the opportunity to compete for a position in a head-to-head format.

FISU Team Selection Details:

FISU Universiade		December 11 – 21, 2021	
<p>Selection: All athletes must be eligible as per this website.</p> <p>Positions 4 and 5 in each gender may be named as per the mechanism described further below. Should positions 4 and/or 5 not be named by the HPWG by September 24, 2021, the position in question will become an objective “Trials FISU Ranking” continuing the order from the first three positions. (Example: should there be no selection made in position 5 on the Men’s side but there is someone named in position 4: Position 5 Men will become “4th overall at Tour 1 Trials FISU Ranking”).</p> <p>Position 6 in each gender may be named as per the mechanism described further below. Should this position not be named by the HPWG by September 24, 2021, the position in question will become a Discretionary Selection.</p> <p><i>Alternates may be named as a decision of the HPWG as Discretionary Selections.</i></p>			
Men: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 1st overall at Tour 1 Trials FISU Ranking 2. 2nd overall at Tour 1 Trials FISU Ranking 3. 3rd overall at Tour 1 Trials FISU Ranking 4. Selection for athlete unable to attend trials for scholastic reasons and/or extenuating circumstances. 5. Selection for athlete unable to attend trials for scholastic reasons and/or extenuating circumstances. 6. Selection for athlete unable to attend trials for scholastic reasons and/or extenuating circumstances. 		Women: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 1st overall at Tour 1 Trials FISU Ranking 2. 2nd overall at Tour 1 Trials FISU Ranking 3. 3rd overall at Tour 1 Trials FISU Ranking 4. Selection for athlete unable to attend trials for scholastic reasons and/or extenuating circumstances. 5. Selection for athlete unable to attend trials for scholastic reasons and/or extenuating circumstances. 6. Selection for athlete unable to attend trials for scholastic reasons and/or extenuating circumstances. 	
Tour Logistics			
Event	Dates	Maximum Starts	Approximate Cost
FISU Universiade	Dec. 11-21, 2021	6 Male; 6 Female	\$4,500 - \$6,200

DETAILS:

- All interested athletes will need to complete an Expression of Interest (EOI) form indicating their intention to be considered for the FISU Team. This form will be open from September 8 to September 17, 2021. If an athlete has not completed this form by September 17, 2021 they will not be considered for the team during Trials or Discretionary Selection.
 - o A deposit of \$1,000 must also be paid at this time.

TOUR 1 TRIALS FISU RANKING:

- **Tour 1 Trials** will take place from November 1 – 7, 2021 in Canmore, Alberta. The format for trials will be confirmed in the event invitation.
- Performance Percentages will be used to calculate athlete ranking.
 - o The information provided on the EOI will be utilized by the HPWG to determine the minimum Performance Percentage that each athlete must meet in order to be eligible to qualify for the FISU Team. This will be established and announced by September 24.
 - o At trials, one ranking will be used for eligible athletes who completed an EOI during the September 8 to September 17, 2021 period. Athletes will be selected in order from this ranking list.

“Selection for athlete unable to attend trials for scholastic reasons and/or extenuating circumstances”: Only considered for eligible athletes who were previously named to the FISU Games Team in August 2020 by Biathlon Canada. If there are more applicants for this selection than positions available, the Discretionary Selection principles will be used to offer positions. To be considered, the athlete must:

- o Indicate their inability to attend trials in their EOI form and the reasons they cannot attend.
- o Provide a letter from a Comp Dev Certified coach indicating they can safely and competitively perform at the FISU level and provide recent time trial results for both roller ski biathlon and biathlon on snow.
- o If applying for scholastic reasons: provide a letter from their Post Secondary School confirming the reason and proof of denied exam/midterm deferral or similar.
- o Provide all other documentation supporting a claim of extenuating circumstances

The HPWG will confirm any selections in this category by September 24, 2021.