

## **Western Canadian Team Championships Team Selection Criteria**

### **General Guidelines**

- Athlete eligibility:
  - Under 15 – Born 2003 or later
  - Under 17 – Born 2002 or 2001
  - Under 19 – Born 2000 or 1999
- A referee and deputy referee will be present for the entire duration of both stages of the tryouts.
- Coaching will not be permitted during play for any team tryout competitions, and coaches will not be permitted onto the field of play as determined by the tryout referee.
- Lines judges will not be available.
- All try-outs will adhere to Badminton World Federation (BWF) regulations. Regulations in this document overrule the BWF regulations.

### **Team Selection**

- The selected team will consist of 3 male members and 1 male alternate as well as 3 female members and 1 female alternate for each of the U15, U17 and U19 age categories.
- The tryout will include Boys Singles, Girls Singles, Boys Doubles and Girls Doubles. Mixed doubles will not be played.
- Doubles events will be conducted before the singles events.
- The top doubles team for the tryout for each gender and age category will automatically be named to the final team. Those athletes that make the final team in doubles will be removed from the singles portion of the tryout.
- The top singles player for the tryout for each gender and age category will be automatically named to the final team.
- Pools for the singles portion of the tryout will be published after the conclusion of the doubles events. However, ranking for the singles event will be published ahead of time.
- The format for the tryout will include round-robin pools followed by complete playoffs.
- Players will be ranked prior to the try-outs based on the age appropriate MBA ranking points gained for singles and doubles in the 12 months preceding the final tryout.
- Players are required to play both events during the tryout except in the case where they are exempt from singles due to their doubles result or if no partner is available. Athletes may select their own doubles partners. If a player does not have a doubles partner they must register with “partner required” and a partner will be given, if available.
- Those athletes who are unable to play in the doubles event, due to an uneven amount of players, will be required to be selected based on their singles tryout or by committee selection.
- The 1 alternate position for each male and female, will be determined by the Selection Committee.
- The Selection Committee will select the alternate positions using Badminton Manitoba and Badminton Canada sanctioned tournament results from the 12 months prior to the starting date of the final tryout and tryout results, as well as



provincial ranking. All athletes must complete the tryouts or submit an extenuating circumstances submission in order to be chosen for the team. In the case of extenuating circumstances an athlete who did not complete the tryouts may be selected.

- The Team will be named within 7 business days after the concluding day of the Final Tryout.
- Any appeals will follow Badminton Manitoba's appeals policy. See the Policies and Procedures webpage at [badminton.mb.ca](http://badminton.mb.ca).

### **Extenuating Circumstances**

- Extenuating circumstances include any unforeseen injuries, family emergencies or other unforeseeable events which prevent an athlete who was eligible for and desired to compete in the tryouts from completing them.
- In order to be eligible for possible team selection any athletes experiencing extenuating circumstances must draft a letter explaining the situation and their argument for being selected to the team.
- In the case of an illness or injury, the letter must be accompanied by a doctor's note.
- The letter must be submitted to the chair of the selection committee within **three business days** after the concluding day of the Final tryout. This is to allow for the selection committee to address any extenuating circumstances before the final team is named.
- Once received the selection committee will review the circumstances and determine if the athlete will be selected to the team.