

Western Canadian Team Championships

Team Selection Criteria

General Guidelines

- Athlete eligibility:
 - Under 15 – Born 2006 or later
 - Under 17 – Born 2004 or later
 - Under 19 – Born 2002 or later
- The final team will be selected based on the results of the Manitoba Junior Provincials taking place from March 19 – 22, 2020 at Prairie Badminton.
- The tournament will be run according to the Manitoba Badminton Association's standard policies and procedures.
- Western Canadian Team Championships will take place in Winnipeg at Prairie Badminton, from April 24th to 26th.

Team Selection

- The selected team will consist of 6 male members and 2 male alternates, and 6 female members and 2 female alternates for each of the U15, U17 and U19 age categories.
- The top two (2) doubles teams and top two (2) singles players will be named to the Western Canadian Team Championships team.
- If selecting the top doubles teams and singles players does not result in 6 separate athletes, the Selection Committee will select the 5th and 6th athletes for the team.
- The 2 alternate positions, for each male and female, will be determined by the Selection Committee.
- The Selection Committee will select the 5th and 6th team position and alternate positions using Badminton Manitoba and Badminton Canada sanctioned tournament results from the 12 months prior to the starting date of the tournament, provincial ranking, and subjective factors such as leadership ability, overall effect on the team, coachability, work ethic, attitude, reliability, ability to compete at WCTCs, etc.
- All athletes must complete the tournament 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 tournament may be selected.
- If any athlete(s) is/are selected to the team via extenuating circumstances, the athlete(s) will take the vacant spots on the team based on the tryout results. If there are no vacant spots on the team, an equivalent # of players must be removed from the team to make room for the player(s) receiving extenuating circumstances.
- Athletes applying for extenuating circumstances must show strong evidence that he/she had a strong likelihood of making finals for doubles or singles, the events that the team is being selected from.
- Choosing the player(s) to omit from the team will be based on the result of the tryouts, provincial ranking, and subjective factors such as leadership ability, overall effect on the team, coachability, work ethic, attitude, reliability, ability to



compete at WCTCs, etc.

- The team will be announced within 5 business days after the concluding day of the tournament, Friday March 27th at the latest.
- Any appeals will follow Badminton Manitoba's appeals policy. See the Policies and Procedures webpage at 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 tournament 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.
- Athletes applying for extenuating circumstances must show strong evidence that he/she had a strong likelihood of making finals for doubles or singles (the events that the team is being selected from)
- 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 as early as possible with the limit being **three business days** after the concluding day of the tournament. 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.