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Selection Criteria for the 2019 Canada Games Figure Skating Team

Canada Games is an Olympic format, multi sport event that has been held every 4 years, in both summer and winter (alternating every 2 years) since 1967. Those chosen for Team Nova Scotia will be representing the province from February 23rd to March 3rd, 2019 and will be residing in the Canada Games accommodations under the care of the Team Coaches and Managers.

The Canada Games Prospects Team will consist of skaters who intend to compete at the Pre Novice and Novice Levels in the 2018-2019 skating season. This team will include skaters from all disciplines, who have attended the Canada Games Prospects Team events and have signed the application form. Ages for the 2019 Canada Games are as follows as of July 1st 2018:

1. PRE-NOVICE EVENTS:

a. SINGLES:

- i. **TEST:** Must have passed the complete Junior Bronze Free Skating Test.
- ii. **AGE:** Pre-Novice Singles competitors shall be under the age of 16 before July 1 preceding the event.

b. PAIR:

- i. **TEST:** Must have passed the complete Junior Bronze Free Skating Test.
- ii. **AGE:** Pre-Novice Pair competitors shall be under the age of 18 before July 1 preceding the event.

c. DANCE:

- i. **TEST:** Must have passed the complete Junior Bronze Dance test or higher.
- ii. **AGE:** Pre-Novice Dance competitors shall be under the age of 18 before July 1 preceding the event.

2. NOVICE EVENTS:

a. SINGLES:

- i. **TEST:** Must have passed the complete Gold Free Skating Test.
- ii. **AGE:** Novice Singles competitors shall be under the age of 17 before July 1 preceding the event.

b. PAIR:

- i. **TEST:** Must have passed the complete Gold Free Skating Test.
- ii. **AGE:** No age requirements.

c. DANCE:

- i. **TEST:** Must have passed at least two pattern dances from the Gold Dance Test or higher.
- ii. **AGE:** Shall meet ISU Junior age criteria (maximum age limit only applies)

To remain on the Canada Games Prospects Team, and to be eligible for team selection to the 2019 Canada Games, skaters must attend all mandatory events as outlined on the application form. If a skater is unable to attend a mandatory event, they must submit a written explanation to the Skate Canada Nova Scotia Canada Games Committee (the Committee).

The Committee reserves the right to consider both placement in competitions and attendance at Canada Games Prospects Team events in their final team selection. Skate Canada Nova Scotia is committed to sending the best possible team to the 2019 Canada Games.

The **FINAL** selection of the 2019 Canada Games Figure Skating Team will follow Skate Canada Challenge in December 2018. Successful team members will be notified by December 15th 2018. No more than 12 skaters can be selected and no more than a maximum of 6 male or 7 female skaters will be included in that 12. Provinces may only have 2 entries per category. (Please see the technical package on the Skate Canada website www.skatecanada.ca for more details).

- Nova Scotia skaters ranked first will be awarded 4 points, second 3 points, and third 2 points at both Sectionals and Challenge. The highest number of total points earned from Sectionals November 2018 and Challenge December 2018 gives a skater an opportunity at the Canada Games Team.
- In the event of a tie, the points achieved at Challenge will be weighted more highly, as it is a more accurate representation of a national competition.
- Consideration will also be given to relative placement at Challenge.
- The Committee will take into consideration the skater's commitment to mandatory Canada Games Prospects Teams events.