

Canadian Sport Institute And **Curl BC** Athlete and Coach Nomination Criteria

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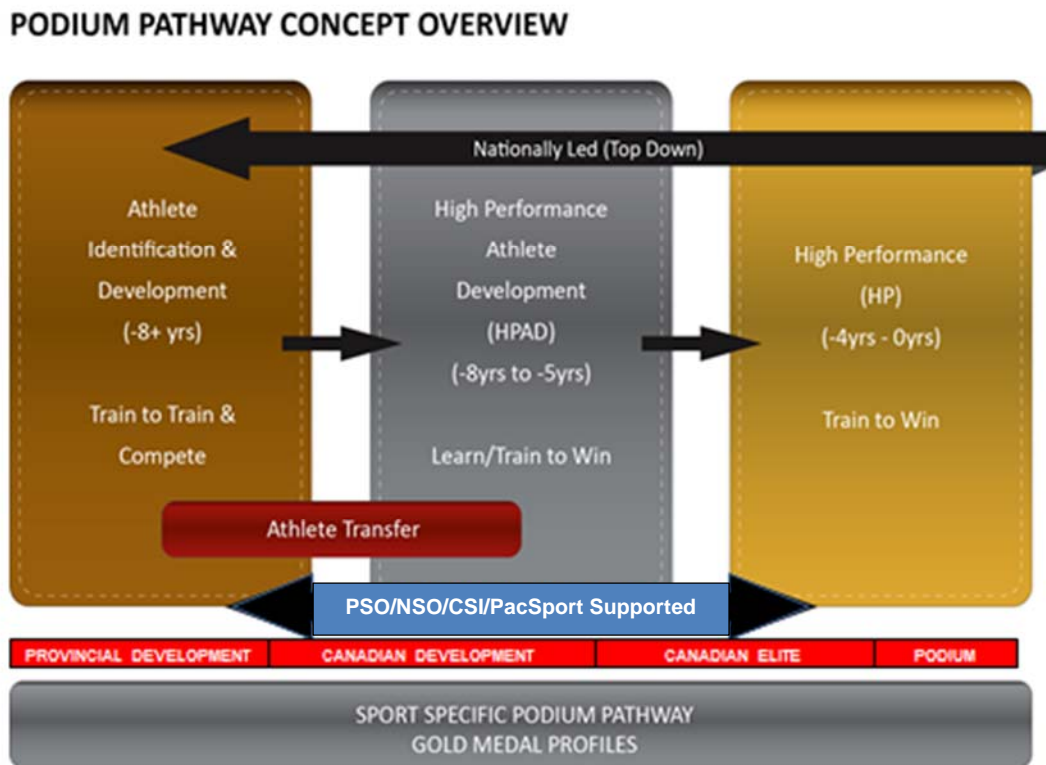
CANADIAN SPORT INSTITUTE / PACIFICSPORT / CURL BC ATHLETE AND COACH NOMINATION

PURPOSE

The Canadian Sport Institute, through a partnership with the Province of BC and ViaSport, the network of PacificSport Centres, and Curl BC collaborates to deliver programs and services to place BC Athletes¹ on National Teams, and ensure athletes and coaches have every advantage to win medals for Canada. The partners work jointly to encourage sport excellence and increase podium performances in communities throughout British Columbia.

Canadian Sport Institute / PacificSport athlete and coach support for the Canadian Development and Provincial Development nomination focuses on athletes and teams 5-12 years from the Podium, identified by the sport specific Podium Pathway (see Figure 1 below) and Gold Medal Profile. These athletes and teams represent both the next generation (5-8 years from Podium) and future generations (9-12 years from Podium) of Olympic and Paralympic (or World Championship) medalists. Support may be focussed more toward the future generation (9-12 years from Podium) for some targeted Paralympic sports depending on the quality of the next generation (5-8 years from Podium) of athletes and teams.

Figure 1



¹ In general a BC athlete is defined as an athlete born, developed, and/or trained/centralized (for a minimum of three months) in British Columbia.

DETAILS

Through the above partnership, and with the above purpose in mind, Curl BC may nominate athletes and their coaches who meet specific criteria for Canadian Sport Institute / PacificSport athlete or coach registration. Upon registering, athletes and coaches can engage in enhanced programs, benefits, and selected support services through the Canadian Sport Institute and the network of PacificSport regional centres in BC

Canadian Sport Institute and PacificSport athlete support is divided into [four levels](#) based on performance, each with a slate of designated benefits. Please click on the following for an outline of Canadian Sport Institute [Athlete](#) and [Coach](#) generic eligibility, programs, and benefits. Please see Appendix 1 for an outline of Curl BC targeted athlete benefits, programs, and services as delivered through Curl BC.

Targeted athletes are nominated by Curl BC based on the athlete criteria below. Any enquiries regarding the sport-specific selection criteria can be made to Melissa Soligo, mksoligo@curlbc.ca. As a general principle, all athletes are expected to demonstrate evidence of their ongoing performance progression and tracking toward Curl BC HP program benchmarks to remain targeted. Curl BC PSO Technical Representative and the Canadian Sport Institute Technical lead working with Curl BC have the final authority over the Canadian Sport Institute nomination process.

The athlete and coach nomination cycle for Canadian Sport Institute / PacificSport / Curl BC targeting runs **starting July 31st annually**, and athletes are selected based on performances from the previous 12 – 24 months. Athletes who meet Canadian Development criteria throughout the annual nomination cycle may be added to the Curl BC targeted athlete list, on a case by case basis, by contacting the PSO Technical Representative.

GENERAL CRITERIA

- 1) For PSO nominations, athletes must be registered and in good standing with Curl BC as a competitive athlete and meet the definition of a BC athlete.
 - a. A BC Athlete is defined as:
 - i. An athlete who is centralized and training within British Columbia for a minimum of a 2 month period and is playing in a BC event.
- 2) Athletes must be accepted into the Curl BC High Performance Program of the current year. (see: <http://www.curlbc.ca/high-performance/about-the-program/>)
- 3) In principle, all athletes nominated should have a designated coach who is responsible for planned programming with the coach(es)'s name and email identified on the targeted athlete list.
- 4) Athletes must have proof of fitness testing in the current year. The onus is on the athlete to get fitness testing done prior to the carding process. The fitness protocols will be provided by Curl BC's Strength and Conditioning Specialist. Please contact the Provincial Coach for further details.
- 5) MUST be on a team for the upcoming year and striving to compete at a National Event (Brier, Scotties, U21, U18, CWG, CCAA, USport , Mixed Doubles, wheelchair curling,)

ATHLETE/COACH ENROLMENT

Once the athlete or coach is nominated, he or she will be notified by Curl BC and will be provided with information on how to register with his or her local Canadian Sport Institute or PacificSport Regional Centre. A Canadian Sport Institute or PacificSport Athlete Coach Services representative may contact the nominated coach to encourage athlete registration. Athletes and coaches must register with their local centre to initiate the process of receiving athlete or coach support.

NOMINATION CRITERIA

Please note the Canadian Sport Institute generic and the Curl BC sport-specific criteria:

Canadian Development (Equivalent to former level 1, 1a)

Canadian Sport Institute Generic Criteria:

- Athletes who compete on the senior national team in eligible events and who do not receive Sport Canada Athlete Assistance program funding, **OR**;
- Athletes who are in the HP Athlete Development (L2W/T2W) stage of the Podium Pathway – as identified by the NSO (including Gold Medal Profile). If the NSO does not have an approved Podium Pathway, the following criteria will be used:
 - Athletes who have been targeted as 'Hot prospects' defined as the expectation to be selected to the senior national team in eligible events within 24 months which is verified by the NSO.

Curl BC Specific Criteria:

Athletes will be considered for nomination if they have met the General Criteria and at least one of the criteria below:

- Athletes who are ranked TOP 15 in the previous year's final CTRS rankings (<https://www.curling.ca/team-canada/>)
- Athletes who medaled at the previous year's Men's or Women's National Championship
- BC Next Gen Targeted Athletes (as nominated by Curling Canada)

Provincial Development – Level 1 (Equivalent to former level 2)

Canadian Sport Institute Generic Criteria:

- Athletes who are in the Athlete Identification & Development stage of the Podium Pathway, as identified by the NSO, and who are tracking towards the HP Athlete Development stage according to the NSO specific Podium Pathway and Gold Medal profile. If the NSO does not have an approved Podium Pathway, the athlete must be tracking towards Canadian Development and meet one of the two criteria below:
 - Have competed at the U23 or Junior World Championships in an eligible event (or equivalent International Developmental Event) in the past 24 months, **OR**;
 - Have won a medal in an eligible event at their Sport Specific National Elite/Open, U23, or U19 Championships (or equivalent level of performance standard) in the previous 24 months.

*Note: Athletes who are eligible for Provincial Development are normally supported for a maximum duration of 5 years (combined Provincial Development Level 1 and Level 2).

Curl BC Specific Criteria:

Athletes will be considered for nomination if they have met the General Criteria and at least one of the criteria below:

- Athletes who medal at Nationals (adult) (Men's Women's, USport, CCAA) in the previous 2 years
- Athletes that medaled at the World Junior (U21) in the last 2 years
- Athletes (adult) in the top 3 teams in BC OR top 50 on the CTRS ranking list in the last 2 years.
- Athletes who medaled at the Canadian Junior Championships (U21) in the last 2 years
- Athletes who medaled at the National Wheelchair Championships (no age restrictions) in the previous year

- Athletes that medaled at the National Mixed Doubles Championships (no age restrictions) in the previous year

Provincial Development – Level 2 (Equivalent to former level 3)

Canadian Sport Institute / PacificSport Generic Criteria:

- Athletes who are tracking towards Provincial Development (Level 1) status (according to the NSO specific Podium Pathway and Gold Medal profile). If the NSO does not have an approved Podium Pathway, the athlete must meet one of the two criteria below:
 - Competed in an eligible event at the appropriate age group national championships (or equivalent level of performance standard) and/or place within the top 20% at the appropriate age group provincial championships in the previous 12 months, **OR**;
 - Competed for Team BC in Canada Summer Games or Canada Winter Games in the previous 12 months.²

Curl BC Specific Criteria:

Athletes will be considered for nomination if they have met the General Criteria and at least one of the criteria below:

- Athletes who have won CWG qualifier and will be competing in the next CWG (within one year)
- Athletes who competed in a U18 National Championship or U18 Optimist National Championship in the last 2 years
- Athletes who placed top 3 in BC juniors (U21)(in the last 2 years) AND have competed in a minimum of 2 events AND plan to compete next season
- Athletes who placed top 3 in the BC U18's in the last year AND have competed in a minimum of 2 events AND plan to compete again next season
- Athletes who won the BC Mixed Doubles Championships (no age restriction) in previous year and competed in a minimum of 2 events
- Athletes who won BC Wheelchair Provincial in the last year (no age restriction)

Coach Nomination

Canadian Sport Institute / PacificSport Generic Criteria:

Coaches are nominated by having his or her name included in the Targeted Athlete List for an athlete who achieves designated criteria. The PSO may nominate up to two coaches per athlete in cases where a personal coach may have significant impact on the athlete's training program. While not required, it is highly recommended that PSO nominated coaches meet one of the following criteria:

- Be the lead person designing and implementing an annual training program for the athlete, **OR**;
- Be designated as Provincial or Regional coach by the PSO, **OR**;
- Be designated as a National Development / Senior coach by NSO, **OR**;
- Be designated as athlete's coach of record based on sport specific criteria below.

Curl BC/CC Specific Criteria: (Optional)

- Coaches who are working regularly with targeted athletes in the current year

² Recommended that PSOs include "Long listed athletes for upcoming competition at Canada Games, Western Canada Games" in their Sport Specific Criteria.

APPENDIX 1

Curl BC Targeted Athlete/Coach Benefits, Programs, and Services

Canadian Development

- [<Sport-specific athlete/coach benefits, programs, and services listed here>](#)

Provincial Development – Level 1

- [<Sport-specific athlete/coach benefits, programs, and services listed here>](#)

Provincial Development – Level 2

- [<Sport-specific athlete/coach benefits, programs, and services listed here>](#)