




BC SOCCER
HIGH PERFORMANCE

Canadian Sport Institute and BC SOCCER Athlete and Coach Nomination Criteria

Criteria Approved September 2018:

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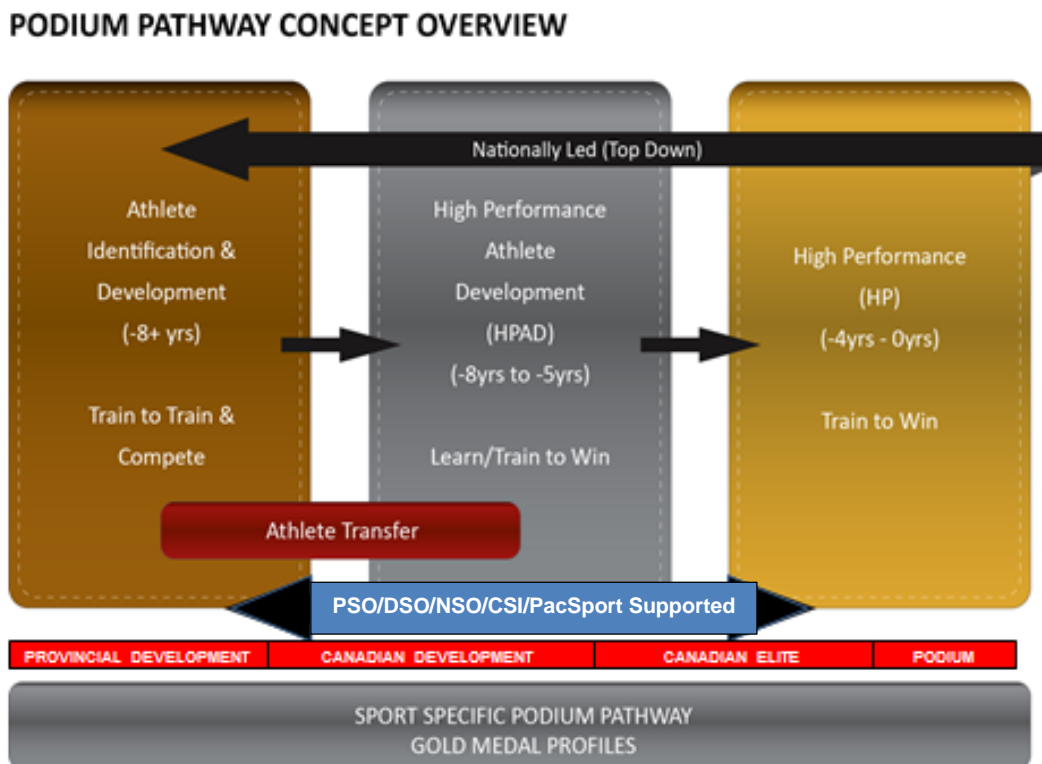
CANADIAN SPORT INSTITUTE / PACIFICSPOORT / BC SOCCER ATHLETE AND COACH NOMINATION

PURPOSE

The Canadian Sport Institute, through a partnership with the Province of BC and ViaSport, the network of Pacific Sport Centres, and BC SOCCER 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 / Pacific Sport 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, BC SOCCER 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](#) eligibility, programs, and benefits. Please see Appendix 1 for an outline of BC SOCCER targeted athlete benefits, programs, and services as delivered through BC SOCCER.

Targeted athletes are nominated by BC SOCCER based on the athlete criteria below. Any enquiries regarding the sport-specific selection criteria can be made to Chris Cerroni, Director of Soccer Development for BC SOCCER at chriscerroni@bcsoccer.net. As a general principle, all athletes are expected to demonstrate evidence of their ongoing performance progression and tracking toward BC SOCCER HP program benchmarks to remain targeted. BC SOCCER PSO/DSO Technical Representative and the Canadian Sport Institute technical lead working with BC SOCCER have the final authority over the Canadian Sport Institute nomination process.

The athlete and coach nomination cycle for Canadian Sport Institute / Pacific Sport / BC SOCCER targeting runs September 30th annually, and athletes are selected based on performances from the previous 12 months. Athletes who meet criteria throughout the annual nomination cycle may be added to the BC SOCCER targeted athlete list, on a case-by-case basis, by contacting the PSO/DSO Technical Representative.

CORE CRITERIA

- 1) For PSO/DSO nominations, athletes must be registered and in good standing with BC SOCCER as a competitive athlete and meet the definition of a BC athlete.
- 2) **Complete application designating coach and declaration to comply with standards.** 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.
- 3) Coaches discretion *may* be applied in the case of injured athletes who have previously been nominated and registered as a targeted athlete in the previous year and who were unable to compete for all or part of the competitive season due to injury or other extenuating event.
- 4) 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.
- 5) See Appendix A

ATHLETE/COACH REGISTRATION

Once the athlete or coach is nominated, he or she will be notified by BC SOCCER 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 BC SOCCER sport-specific criteria:

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

Canadian Sport Institute Core 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.

BC SOCCER > Sport Specific Criteria:

- *Athletes identified to represent Senior National Team in sanctioned match play within the past 12 months*
OR
- *Invited to Senior CSA National Team program camp in preparation for major event in past 12 months.*
OR
Male athletes who compete in U23 olympic qualification event in previous
AND
- *Must be verified by CSA as a targeted senior National team athlete.*

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

Canadian Sport Institute Core 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).

BC SOCCER > Sport Specific Criteria:

- *Currently participating (last 12 months) in Vancouver Whitecaps FC Girls Elite REX (Female) in partnership with BC Soccer or Vancouver Whitecaps FC Academy Program (Male) and are designated to be training in program for more than 3 months.*
OR
- *Must have participated in either a U15, U17, U18 or U20 Canada Soccer Association National Team Program event, which includes either a official camp or competitive match within the past 12 months.*

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

Canadian Sport Institute / Pacific Sport Core 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

BC SOCCER > Sport Specific Criteria:

- *Currently participating in the BC Soccer Provincial Program in partnership with Vancouver Whitecaps FC Training Group for U14 – U16 age groups (Male & Female)*
AND
Score in 85 percentile of BC Soccer player assessment

Coach Nomination

Canadian Sport Institute / Pacific Sport Core 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/DSO 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/DSO 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/DSO, **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.

BC SOCCER > Sport Specific Criteria: (Optional)

- *Must be a BC Coach and in good standing with BC SOCCER.*
- *Must hold a minimum 'B' National Canada Soccer Association license or foreign equivalent.*
- *Must have been an appointed Head Coach or Support Staff Coach in a U13-U18 BC Soccer Association Provincial Program, which includes either a session, game or camp within the past 12 months.*

APPENDIX 1

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

1A. BC Soccer Provincial Program

<https://www.bcsoccer.net/provincial-program>

[1B. BC Soccer Player Profile and Assessments \(Attached\)](#)

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