



**Canadian Sport Institute Pacific
and British Columbia Provincial Football Association
Athlete and Coach Nomination Criteria**

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PURPOSE

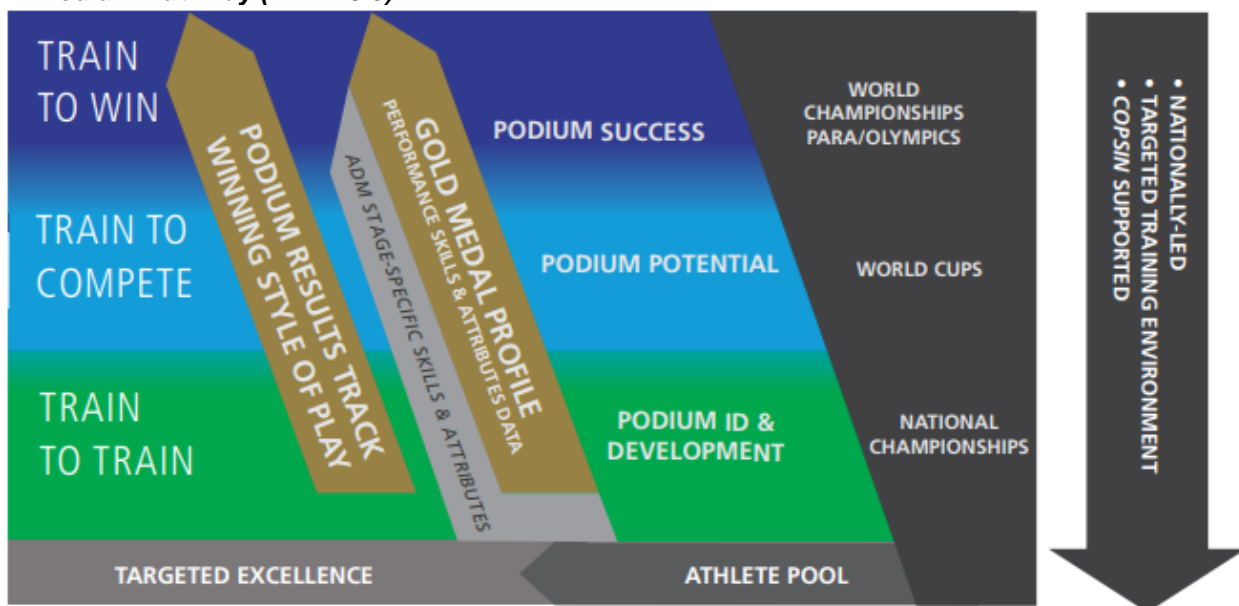
Canadian Sport Institute Pacific, through a partnership with the Province of British Columbia (BC), viaSport, the network of PacificSport centres, and British Columbia Provincial Football Association, collaborates to deliver programs and services to place BC athletes¹ on national teams, and ensure athletes 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 BC.

This template provides a standardized process with which to identify athletes and coaches within the British Columbia Provincial Football Association high performance program as well as athletes who are tracking against key development pathway metrics toward national teams. The levels within the targeted pathway seek to create a common standard across all sports; hence, the template must be used in its entirety. PSO/DSOs are able to adapt the template to suit their own purposes (e.g. branding, application process, etc.) provided all relevant information is contained within.

Canadian Sport Institute / PacificSport athlete and coach support for the Sport Canada AAP Carded nomination focuses on athletes and teams 0-4 years from the international podium, identified by the sport-specific Podium Pathway (Figure 1) and Gold Medal Profile. These athletes and teams represent the current generation of national team athletes who are carded by the NSO through Sport Canada's Athlete Assistance Program.

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 international podium, identified by the sport-specific Podium Pathway (Figure 1) and Gold Medal Profile. These athletes and teams represent both the next generation (5-8 years away) and future generations (9-12 years away) of Olympic and Paralympic or World Championship medallists.

Figure 1 – Podium Pathway (LTAD 3.0)



¹ A BC athlete is defined as an athlete born, developed, and/or trained/centralized (for a minimum of three (3) months in a twelve (12) month period) in British Columbia.

DETAILS

Through the above partnership, and with the above purpose in mind, British Columbia Provincial Football Association may nominate athletes and their coaches who meet specific criteria for Canadian Sport Institute Pacific / PacificSport athlete or coach enrollment. Upon completion of enrollment and onboarding, athletes and coaches can engage in enhanced programs, benefits, and selected support services through Canadian Sport Institute Pacific and the network of PacificSport regional centres in BC.

Canadian Sport Institute / PacificSport athlete support is divided into four levels based on performance, each with a slate of designated benefits. Please see Appendix A for an outline of British Columbia Provincial Football Association targeted athlete benefits, programs, and services as delivered through British Columbia Provincial Football Association.

Targeted athletes are nominated by British Columbia Provincial Football Association based on the athlete criteria below. As a general principle, all athletes are expected to demonstrate evidence of their ongoing performance progression and tracking toward British Columbia Provincial Football Association high performance program benchmarks to remain targeted. British Columbia Provincial Football Association and the Canadian Sport Institute technical lead working with British Columbia Provincial Football Association, Jaymee Shea [or other appointed individual] have the final authority over the Canadian Sport Institute nomination process. Any inquiries regarding the sport-specific selection criteria can be made to Jaymee Shea at technicaldirector@bcpfa.com

The athlete and coach nomination cycle for Canadian Sport Institute / PacificSport / British Columbia Provincial Football Association targeting runs [DATE RANGE] annually, and athletes are selected based on performances from the previous 12 months. Athletes meeting criteria throughout the annual nomination cycle may be added to the British Columbia Provincial Football Association targeted athlete list, on a case by case basis, by contacting the PSO/DSO Technical Representative Jaymee Shea at technicaldirector@bcpfa.com

ATHLETE/COACH ENROLLMENT

Once the athlete or coach is nominated, they will be notified by British Columbia Provincial Football Association and will be provided with information on how to enroll. All athletes and coaches must enroll with Canadian Sport Institute / Pacific Sport in order to receive athlete or coach supports and benefits.

CORE CRITERIA

1. For PSO/DSO nominations, athletes must be considered in good standing at the discretion of the PSO/DSO with British Columbia Provincial Football Association as a competitive athlete and meet the definition of a BC athlete.
2. All athletes nominated should have a designated coach who is responsible for planned programming. Specific coach criteria must be identified under coach nominations
3. Athletes who fail to meet targeting criteria due to injury or absence, may remain on British Columbia Provincial Football Association's nomination list at the discretion of the PSO/DSO when:
 - a. There is an expectation the athlete in question would have met criteria if no injury or absence had occurred **AND**;
 - b. The athlete in question was nominated by British Columbia Provincial Football Association in the previous 24 months.
4. Pay any required registration fees including membership, insurance and affiliation
5. Attend all selection camps as stipulated by The British Columbia Provincial Football Association

LEVEL-SPECIFIC CRITERIA

Please note both the Canadian Sport Institute criteria and the British Columbia Provincial Football Association sport-specific criteria:

Sport Canada AAP Carded

Canadian Sport Institute Criteria:

- Athletes who appear on the Sport Canada AAP Carding List and verified by the NSO. These athletes are in the High Performance (HP/T2W) stage of the Podium Pathway.
 - It is the responsibility of British Columbia Provincial Football Association to consult with the NSO, identifying and nominating any Sport Canada AAP Carded athletes in the province of British Columbia.
- ***Please note, there are currently no Sport Canada AAP sanctioned events by Football Canada, however Flag Football has been added to 2028 Olympics, so we may have athletes that qualify at this level.

Canadian Development

Canadian Sport Institute Criteria:

- Athletes who compete on the senior national team in eligible events, but do not receive Sport Canada AAP funding, and verified by the NSO. These athletes are in the High Performance (HP/T2W) stage of the Podium Pathway **OR**;
- Athletes who are in the HP Athlete Development (L2W/T2W) stage of the Podium Pathway (including Gold Medal Profile) and verified by the NSO. If the NSO does not have an approved Podium Pathway, the following criteria will be used:
 - Athletes who have been targeted as “NextGen” defined as the expectation to be selected to the senior national team in eligible events **within 24 months** and verified by the NSO.

The British Columbia Provincial Football Association Criteria

- a) Any athlete's rostered and verified to Football Canada's National team – Team Canada- (verified by NSO) who do not receive Sport Canada AAP Funding
- b) Senior Flag Nationals selected to Team Canada
- c) Football Canada Cup selected to Team Canada

Provincial Development Level 1

Canadian Sport Institute Criteria:

- Athletes who are in the Athlete Identification & Development stage of the Podium Pathway, and who are tracking toward 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 toward Canadian Development and meet the criteria below:
 - Meet specific performance-based benchmarks in accordance with an overall athlete monitoring and tracking framework (utilizing Gold Medal Profile) **AND**;
 - Athletes at this level are anticipated to convert to national team program as a Canadian Development or Podium athlete within a maximum duration of five years (combined Provincial Development Level One and Two) **AND**;
 - Competed at the appropriate² age group or junior world championships in an eligible event (or equivalent international developmental event) in the previous 24 months **OR**;
 - Won a medal in an eligible event at their sport-specific national senior/open, appropriate² age group or junior championships (or equivalent level of performance standard) in the previous 24 months.

The British Columbia Provincial Football Association Criteria

- Any athlete rostered to Team BC who have participated in:
 - a) Football Canada Cup
 - b) Senior Flag Nationals

Provincial Development Level 2

Canadian Sport Institute Criteria:

- Athletes who are in the Athlete Identification & Development stage of the Podium Pathway, and who are tracking toward Provincial Development One 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 the criteria below:
 - Meet specific performance-based benchmarks in accordance with an overall athlete monitoring and tracking framework (utilizing Gold Medal Profile) **AND**;
 - Athletes at this level are anticipated to convert to national team program as a Canadian Development or Podium athlete within a maximum duration of five years (combined Provincial Development Level One and Two) **AND**;
 - Competed in an eligible event at the appropriate² age group national championships (or equivalent level of performance standard) in the previous 24 months, **OR**;
 - Won a medal in an eligible event at their appropriate² age group provincial championships in the previous 12 months, **OR**;

The British Columbia Provincial Football Association Criteria:

- Any athlete rostered to Team BC who have participated in either:
 - a) U16 Western Regionals and or Nationals
 - b) U16 Flag Regionals (Team BC selected NOT Club representation)
 - c) U18 Flag Nationals (Team BC selected NOT Club representation)

² Definition of appropriate is based on a number of factors such as peak development age, average age of National Team, sport's competition schedule, and logical pathway progression. Final determination will be made by CSI Pacific.

Coach Nomination

Canadian Sport Institute Criteria:

Coaches are nominated when they are the coach of an athlete who achieves designated criteria. The PSO/DSO may nominate up to two coaches per athlete in cases where both the Provincial/National coach and a personal coach have a significant impact on the athlete's training program. While not required, it is highly recommended that PSO/DSO nominated coaches meet at least one of the following criteria:

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

AND,

- Be working towards being NCCP Comp Dev Trained

The British Columbia Provincial Football Association Criteria:

- *Coach must be registered, and in good standing with The British Columbia Provincial Football Association*
- *Coach must meet minimum Provincial and National certification requirements.*

Official Nomination

Canadian Sport Institute Criteria:

Officials are nominated by the PSO/DSO where they have participated in a national event sanctioned by the NSO.

- Be designated as an official by the NSO.

AND,

- registered with BCFOA and/or LMRA

The British Columbia Provincial Football Association Criteria:

- *Official must be registered, and in good standing with The British Columbia Provincial Football Association associate members*
- *Official must meet minimum Provincial and National certification requirements.*

Appendices – Sport may choose to provide appendices below to enhance understanding of criteria

Appendix A – Sport Specific Eligible Services and Benefits

British Columbia Provincial Football Association Targeted Athlete/Coach Benefits, Programs, and Services

1. Podium / Canadian Elite (Sport Canada AAP Carded)

- Potential to include recognized athletes on Pathway to Podium

2. Canadian Development

- *Any BCPFA Tackle or Flag Football athlete who has been rostered to Team Canada*

3. Provincial Development Level 1

- *Any athlete rostered to Team BC who have participated in either:*
 - a) Football Canada Cup*
 - b) Senior Flag Nationals*

4. Provincial Development Level 2

The British Columbia Provincial Football Association Criteria:

- *Any athlete rostered and selected for Team BC who have participated in either:*
 - a) U16 Western Regionals*
 - b) U16 Flag Regionals or Nationals*
 - c) U18 Flag Nationals*