





Canadian Sport Institute Pacific and Badminton BC 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 Badminton 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 BC.

This template provides a standardized process with which to identify athletes and coaches within the Badminton BC 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 sportspecific 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.

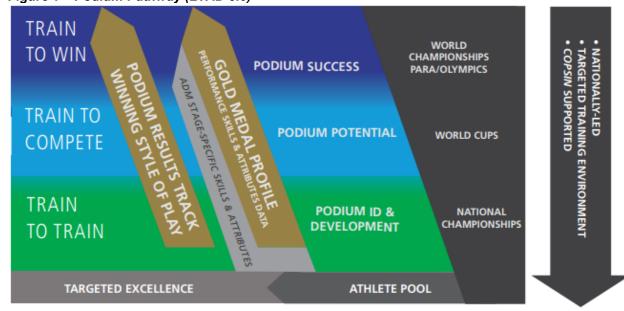


Figure 1 – Podium Pathway (LTAD 3.0)

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, Badminton BC 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 Badminton BC targeted athlete benefits, programs, and services as delivered through Badminton BC.

Targeted athletes are nominated by Badminton BC 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 Badminton BC high performance program benchmarks to remain targeted. Ram Nayyar, High Performance Coordinator and the Canadian Sport Institute technical lead working with Badminton BC, have the final authority over the Canadian Sport Institute nomination process. Any inquiries regarding the sport-specific selection criteria can be made to High Performance performance@badmintonbc.com

The athlete and coach nomination cycle for Canadian Sport Institute / PacificSport / Badminton BC targeting runs September 1st - August 31st 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 Badminton BC targeted athlete list, on a case-by-case basis, by contacting the PSO/DSO Technical Representative High-Performance Coordinator at performance@badmintonbc.com.

ATHLETE/COACH ENROLLMENT

Once the athlete or coach is nominated, they will be notified by Badminton BC 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 Badminton BC 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 Badminton BC nomination list at the discretion of the PSO/DSO and in agreement with CSI Pacific when:
 - a. There is an expectation the athlete in guestion would have met criteria if no injury or absence had occurred AND;
 - b. The athlete in guestion was nominated by Badminton BC in the previous 12-month cycle
 - c. There is an agreed timeline on the return to play process
- 4. Minimum age of targeted athlete is 16-years-old, however at the discretion of CSI staff exceptions can be approved
- 5. Maximum number of athletes at each level based on historical conversion rates from 2019-2025, identified by CSI Pacific and communicated to the sport by CSI staff. At the discretion of CSI staff exceptions can be approved

LEVEL-SPECIFIC CRITERIA

Canadian Sport Institute 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 Badminton BC to consult with the NSO, identifying and nominating any Sport Canada AAP Carded athletes in the province of British Columbia.

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 12 months and verified by the NSO.
 - Evidence to be provided by PSO/DSO in order to confirm nomination.

Provincial Development Level 1 (PD-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 12 months OR;

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.

- 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 12 months.
- Evidence to be provided by PSO/DSO in order to confirm nomination.

Provincial Development Level 2 (PD-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 12 months, OR;
 - Won a medal in an eligible event at their appropriate² age group provincial championships in the previous 12 months, OR;
 - Evidence to be provided by PSO/DSO in order to confirm nomination.

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. The coach must meet the following criteria:

- Be the lead person designing and implementing an annual training program for the athlete.
 - Evidence to be provided by PSO/DSO in order to confirm nomination.

It is recommended that PSO/DSO nominated coaches must also meet at least one of the following criteria:

- Be designated as Provincial or Regional coach by the PSO/DSO, or
- Be designated as a National Development / Senior National coach by the NSO, or
- Be designated as athlete's coach of record based on sport-specific criteria below.

AND,

Be working towards NCCP Comp Dev trained status

Badminton BC Specific PSO Criteria

1.0 Canadian Development Criteria

Badminton BC Sport-Specific Criteria:

1.1 Member of the Senior National Team

AND

1.2 Placed Top 3 Senior National Championship or contested Para National Championship if applicable in the past 12 months

AND

1.3 Demonstrated evidence of badminton training program in past 12 months (Coach in good standing, evidence of training provided by coach)

AND

Senior athletes must meet at least **ONE** of the following results in the past season:

- 1.4 Competed at the BWF World Championships Quarterfinalist or higher in the past 12 months OR
 - 1.5 International Challenge Winner (WS/MD/WD/XD) in the past 12 months

OR

1.6 BWF World Tour 100 & 300 – Quarterfinalist or higher in the past 12 months

OR

1.7 Competed at a BWF Para International event and classified in the past 12 months

2.0 Provincial Development Level 1 Criteria (PD-1)

Badminton BC Sport-Specific Criteria:

2.1 Member of National or Junior National Team or Next Gen

AND

- 2.2 National Level competition:
 - 2.2.1 Top 4 Finish at Senior National Championships* in the past 12 months

OR

2.2.3 Top 4 Finish at Junior National Championships U17 and Up in the past 12 months

AND

2.3 Demonstrated evidence of badminton training program in past 12 months (logbook hours, YTP, coach in good standing)

OR

Must meet at least **ONE** of the following results in the past season:

- 2.4 International or National Competition
 - 2.4.1 Competed at the BWF World Junior Championships in past 12 months

OR

2.4.2 Top 4 Finish at the Pan Am Junior Championships U17 and Up in past 12 months

*For small draw sizes, results must be in the top HALF of the draw size (e.g. if draw size is 4, must finish in the top 2). Additionally, results are only considered if a round has been won. For example, in a draw of 3, where one player/team starts in the final, that team needs to win the tournament for the result to be considered. However, if the draw is a round robin, results will be counted for the teams that place $1^{\rm st}$ and $2^{\rm nd}$.

3.0 Provincial Development Level 2 Criteria (PD-2)

Badminton BC Sport-Specific Criteria:

3.1 Top 4 Finish at the BC Provincial Championships* (U17 and U19) in past 12 months

AND

3.2 Top 4 at year end ranking (prior to adjustments to age groups)

AND

3.3 Demonstrated evidence of badminton training program in past 12 months if requested (logbook hours, YTP, coach in good standing)

*For small draw sizes, results must be in the top HALF of the draw size (e.g. if draw size is 4, must finish in the top 2). Additionally, results are only considered if a round has been won. For example, in a draw of 3, where one player/team starts in the final, that team needs to win the tournament for the result to be considered. However, if the draw is a round robin, results will be counted for the teams that place 1st and 2nd.

4.0 Coach Nomination

Badminton BC Sport-Specific Criteria:

Registered as a coach with Badminton BC and/or Badminton Canada and in good standing

AND

Active badminton coach with NCCP Competition Introduction Certified (Provincial and Regional Certified) status or higher

OR

Have coached at an international event recognized by Badminton Canada (not held domestically)

AND

At least **ONE** of the following in the previous season:

Chartered Professional Coach (ChPC) designation

OR

Coaches who have completed the Advanced Coaching Diploma or the UBC High Performance

OR

Coaching Master's program may be able to apply directly with CSI Pacific.

OR

Coaches who have completed the program and have successfully transferred their credits and actively keeping up with PD points

APPENDIX 1 - Sport-Specific Benefits, Programs, and Services

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

Badminton BC Targeted Athletes and Coaches will receive priority access to high performance services from Badminton BC, including access to camps, training groups, and additional athlete services offered by members from the High-Performance Committee.

Additionally, targeted athletes will have better access to funding as performance results for funding will share many elements of the Targeted Athlete List criteria.

To be nominated in the Badminton BC Pathway in collaboration with the Canadian Sport Institute Pacific, the goal is to demonstrate progression through the high-performance pathway. The maximum number of athletes at each level is based on historical conversion rates from 2019-2025, identified by CSI Pacific and communicated to Badminton BC by CSI staff. At the discretion of CSI staff exceptions can be approved.