

2024 BC Summer Games Zone Qualification

Overview

BC Summer Games is an exciting, high quality competition opportunity that sets the stage for youth athletes entering into the high performance pathway.

As a result of the cancellation of the 2020 BC Summer Games, BC Games Society approved Triathlon BC to revise the eligible age groups for the 2022 and 2024 Summer Games. For the 2024 games, a three-year age eligibility will be in place of 14-16yrs old. This will ensure that athletes will not miss the opportunity to attend the BC Summer Games event. The 2026 BC Summer Games returning to the pre-pandemic age range of 14-15yrs old.

To ensure an equitable competition experience for all athletes, Triathlon BC will further breakdown the 2024 eligible age group and select athletes within two age groups:

- Male and Female 14-15yrs old
- Male and Female 16yrs old

These age and gender categories will also be use for awards at the BC Summer Games.

It is the priority of Triathlon BC to fill all quota spots for the BC Summer Games.

All athletes are asked to submit a BC Games Expression of Interest Form. This form ensures all athletes meet the BC Games requirements, along with creating a communication pathway for Zone qualification events, camps, and other opportunities prior to the BC Summer Games.

Click Here to submit your BC Games Expression of Interest Form.

BC Summer Games Information

As per the BC Summer Games Technical Package the following parameters regarding Zone Selection apply to Triathlon:

- BC Summer Games Information
 - o July 18-21st, 2024
 - o Maple Ridge, BC
 - o Triathlon's venue is Whonnock Lake Park
- Athlete Eligibility
 - Athletes must be annual members of Triathlon BC for the 2024 season to qualify as BC Summer
 Games Athletes. Athletes must be active members prior to competing in the qualifying event
 - Athletes must submit the Athlete Expression of Interest Form before their zone qualifying event in order to be selected.
- Triathlon Events at the Games (may be adjusted if needed)
 - o Super Sprint Triathlon (400m Swim/ 10km Bike/ 3km Run)
 - Mixed Relay (Distances TBC)
 - Duathlon (1km Run/6km Bike/ 1km Run)
 - o F1 Triathlon (200m Swim/ 4km Bike/ 1km Run)
 - Aquathlon (300m Swim/ 1km Run)

- Draft-legal bike events
 - Bike events at the BC Summer Games are draft-legal. All participants must have completed a draft certification course prior to the BC Games.
 - For zones where the Qualification event is draft-legal, athletes will be required to complete a draft certification in order to be eligible for Zone Qualifier and Zone Wildcard spots.
- Eligible Age Group
 - 14 16 years of age as of December 31, 2024 (Birth Years 2008, 2009, 2010)
- BC Summer Games Race Age Groups (medal categories)
 - o 14-15 yrs of age (Male and Female)
 - o 16 yrs of age (Male and Female)
- Zone Team Composition
 - o 6 competitors can be selected to their respective zone through qualifying events.
 - Additional athletes may be selected to each zone through Provincial Wildcard spots and 2023
 SuperSeries Champion spots.
 - Triathlon BC has created a policy to allocate these spots to each zone to ensure fairness. Please refer to the policy below.
- Zone Qualification Events
 - All qualifying events must occur before Monday, June 10, 2024
- Games Registration Deadline
 - All participants must be registered with BC Games by June 17th, 2024
 - Registration link will be provided to the selected athletes
- Zone locations and boundaries
 - Information about the location and boundaries of each zone can be found here: https://bcgames.org/games/zones/

Qualification

For the 2024 BC Summer Games, there are 52 spot available for competition. Athletes can qualify to their respective zones through the process below:

Zone Qualifier Event spots (32 spots total)

4 spots per zone: 2 male, 2 female per zone

- Top finishers in their Race Age Group category at each Zone Qualifying Event will receive a qualification spot.
 - The Race Age Group categories are:
 - Female DOB 2008
 - Male DOB 2008
 - Female DOB 2009-2010
 - Male DOB 2009-2010
- If any 'Zone Qualifier Event spots' are unable to be filled, those spots will become 'Zone Wildcard spots' of the same gender.
- Zone Qualifier Event spots will be allocated on the Tuesday following each Zone Qualifying Event.

Zone Wildcard spots (16 spots total)

2 spots per zone: 1 male, 1 female per zone:

- Top male and female finisher born between 2008-2010 at their respective Zone Qualifying Event, who has not already been selected, will receive a qualification spot.
 - o If there are additional spots available, the next best placed athlete who has not been selected will receive a qualification spot.
- If any 'Zone Wildcard spots' are unable to be filled, that spot will become an additional 'Provincial Wildcard spots' of any gender.
- Zone Wildcard spots will be allocated on the Tuesday following each Zone Qualifying Event.

Provincial Wildcard spots

Two spots; 1 male, 1 female

- Provincial Wildcard spots can be allocated to an athlete of any zone, of any age born 2008-2010.
 Provincial Wildcard spots will be available for athletes who showcase exceptional performances and attitude. Selection will be made by Triathlon BC based on nominations from Zone reps. Selections of Provincial Wildcard spots will take into consideration any one or more of the factors below, in no particular order.
 - Athlete's performance at respective zone qualifying event.
 - Athlete's performance at 2024 SuperSeries events.
 - Athlete's performance at non-drafting triathlon events.
 - o Athlete's attitude, composure, and behaviour at triathlon events.
 - o Athlete's attendance, performance, and attitude at Triathlon BC training camps and clinics
 - o 200m swim and 1500m run benchmark times
 - Maintaining or establishing gender balance across all zones
- Provincial Wildcard spots will be allocated on, or before, June 10th.
 - o If any spots remain after June 10th, they will be allocated as seen fit by the Triathlon BC, until all spots are filled. Late EOI's may be accepted.

2023 SuperSeries Spots

2 spots total: 1 male, 1 female

- Triathlon BC 2023 SuperSeries Youth Champion (male and female) will be recognized for their triathlon achievement and are automatically selected for 2024 BC Summer Games in their respective Zone.
 - As these two athletes are automatically selected, their results will not count towards spots within their Zone Qualifier Events and Wildcard spots.

Zone Qualifying Events

Zone	Date	Race	Location	Event type
Zone 1	June 9	WASA Triathlon	Kimberley	Non-drafting Event
Zone 2	May 5th	Cherry Triathlon	Kelowna	TBD
Zone 3, 4, 5	May 20th	North Shore Triathlon	North Vancouver	Draft legal event
Zone 6	May 26th	Shoreline Orthodontics Tri-K	Courtenay	Draft legal event
Zone 8	May 26th	PG Northern Triathlon	Prince George	Draft legal event
Zone 7	TBD	Vanderhoof Triathlon	Vanderhoof	TBD

- TBD A few events are still determining if they will be able to host a draft-legal or non-drafting event, as well as event dates. This document will be updated when these details are confirmed.
- If the Zone Qualifying Event is a Draft legal event, athletes must have completed a draft certification course prior to participating in the event.
- Draft legal equipment rules will apply to all events, regardless if they are draft legal or not.
 - no TT bikes, no disc wheels, and no aerobars allowed.

Questions: Please contact Triathlon BC Program Manager Tim Sherstobitoff at programs@tribc.org if you have any questions regarding this document and the BC Summer Games Selection process.

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