

2020 BC Summer Games Zone Qualification

Background Information:

As per the BC Summer Games technical package, the following parameters regarding Zone Selection apply to Triathlon:

- *BC Summer Games Information*
 - July 23-26 in the Maple Ridge
 - Triathlon's venue is [Whonnock Lake Park](#).
- *Age Description*
 - 14 – 15 years of age as of December 31, 2020.
- *Zone Team Composition*
 - 4 competitors (no more than 3 of one gender) per zone. Through the identified selection process Triathlon BC will select 2 males and 2 females from each zone. If, due to low participation, 2 males and 2 females cannot be selected, three of one gender may be selected.
 - All spots are zone specific and cannot go towards another zone.
- *Wildcards*
 - 20 wildcard spots (no more than 11 of one gender)
 - Wildcard spots are not zone specific. Triathlon BC has created a policy to allocate these spots to each zone to ensure fairness. Please refer to the policy below.
 - Province wide wildcards will be allocated to the top placing 2 males, and 2 females at the 2019 Triathlon BC SuperSeries
- *Zone Qualification Events*
 - All qualifying must occur before Monday, June 15, 2020 to allow for the registration deadline of June 22, 2020

For the 2020 BC Summer Games, Triathlon BC will follow the Qualification procedure outlined below. The aim of this document is to add objectivity for team and wildcard selection.

Target Races & Dates:

Below is a list of targeted zone races for the BC Summer Games. Athletes looking to Qualify for these games should plan on participating in these races this spring.

Date	Race	Zones/Regions	Race Director
March 7, 2020	UBC Triathlon	Lower Mainland (Zone 3,4,5)	Alyssa Reyes
May 18, 2020	North Shore Triathlon SuperSeries	Lower Mainland (Zone 3,4,5)	Mick Maguire
To be determined*	To be determined	Thompson Okanagan (Zone 2)	Laura Medcalf
May 31, 2020	Comox Valley Tri-K	Island (Zone 6)	Nathan Blaylock
To be determined*	To be determined	North West (Zone 7)	To be determined
May 23, 2020 (TBC)	PG Kids Triathlon	North East (Zone 8)	Clayton Wilkinson
June 7, 2020	Victoria Youth Triathlon	Island (Zone 6)	Rob Dibden
June 13, 2020	WASA Triathlon	Kootenays (Zone 1 & 2)	Barb Fode

**Please note – Zone qualification races are still being determined for Zone 2 and Zone 7*

Qualifying Events: The events identified above will act as the selection event for each Zone (pending approval from race director & zone representatives). Out of these events, the initial Zone team, consisting of the first and second male athletes and the first and second female athletes, will be selected.

UBC Triathlon (March 7): The two fastest males and two fastest females from each of the lower mainland zones will be selected from this event to make up the zone teams the **Fraser Valley (Zone 3)**, **Fraser River (Zone 4)**, and **Vancouver-Coastal (Zone 5)**. A total of 12 spots will be awarded at this race, consisting of 6 females and 6 males.

North Shore Triathlon (May 18): This race will be acting as the rolldown and wildcard race for each of the lower mainland. Any spots not taken from the UBC Triathlon will rollover to the North Shore Draft Legal SuperSeries race. Additionally, 6 wildcards will be awarded to the fastest female who has not already qualified and fastest male who has not already qualified in the Fraser Valley (Zone 3), Fraser River (Zone 4), and Vancouver-Coastal (Zone 5) zones.

PG Kids Triathlon (May 23): This race will be acting as the wildcard and qualification race for the North East (Zone 8) region of the province. The two fastest females and two fastest males will qualify for the zone team out of this race. Additionally, the next fastest female and next fastest male will receive a wildcard to be a part of this team.

Comox Valley Tri-K (May 31): The two fastest males and two fastest females from this race will qualify to be a part of the zone team for the Vancouver Island- Central Coast (Zone 6).

Victoria Youth Triathlon (June 7): This race will act as the rolldown and wildcard race for the Vancouver Island – Central Coast (Zone 6) region. Any spots not taken from the Comox Valley Tri-K Race will rollover to the Victoria Youth Draft Legal race. Additionally, the fastest female who has not already qualified and fastest male who has not already qualified in this region will be awarded a wildcard.

WASA TriKids Triathlon (June 13): This race will be acting as the wildcard and qualification race for the Kootenays (Zone 1) region of the province. The two fastest females and two fastest males will qualify for the zone team out of this race. Additionally, the next fastest female and next fastest male will receive a wildcard to be a part of this team.

Wildcards: For the 2020 BC Summer Games, there are twenty (20) wildcards available. Two wildcards per zone will be allocated totalling sixteen (16) wildcards. Four (4) *province wide* wildcards will be awarded by Triathlon BC at Triathlon BC Super Series Events.

Wildcards will be allocated as follows:

Zone	# of Cards	Specification
Kootenays (1)	2	Two (2) wildcards will be given to the next fastest male & next fastest female at the WASA Triathlon
Okanagan (2)	2	Two (2) wildcards will be given to the next fastest male & next fastest female at the Zone Qualification event.
Fraser Valley (3)	2	Two (2) wildcards will be given to the next fastest male & next fastest female at the North Shore Draft Legal SuperSeries Race
Fraser River (4)	2	Two (2) wildcards will be given to the next fastest male & next fastest female at the North Shore Draft Legal SuperSeries Race
Vancouver-Squamish (5)	2	Two (2) wildcards will be given to the next fastest male & next fastest female at the North Shore Draft Legal SuperSeries Race
Vancouver Island – Central Coast (6)	2	Two (2) wildcards will be given to the next fastest male & next fastest female at the Victoria Youth Triathlon Draft Legal SuperSeries Race
North West (7)	2	Two (2) wildcards will be given to the next fastest male & next fastest female at the Kermode Kids Triathlon
North East (8)	2	Two (2) wildcards will be given to the next fastest male & next fastest female at the PG Kids Triathlon

Province Wide Wildcards: Four (4) wildcards have not been allocated to a specific zone. These wildcards have been allocated to the 2019 Triathlon BC SuperSeries. The top two eligible males and females from this series will be awarded a wildcard spot for the 2020 BC Summer Games.

Wildcard Re-allocation: If wildcards are not allocated in their designated zone, due to low participation, Triathlon BC will re-allocate these spots. Wildcards that are re-allocated will be done through evaluation and the race deemed to be the most competitive will receive extra wildcards. Wildcard re-allocation will be assessed and given to races based on the level of “Competitiveness”. Competitiveness will be evaluated on the time differential between the top 5 finishers. Faster races that have a close time differential will be deemed more competitive than others.

EXAMPLE OF “COMPETITIVENESS”: The top finishing time of race #1 is 00:58:51 and the average time differential between finishers 1-5 is 00:1:04. The top finishing race time of race #2 is 1:01:00 and the time differential between finishers 1-5 is 0:00:40. Even though race #1 was completed slightly faster, the time differential between competitors 1-5 was closer in race #2 and therefore race #2 is deemed to be the more “competitive” race.

EXAMPLE OF WILDCARD RE-ALLOCATION: At the Zone 1 (Kootenay) race only 3 youth complete the qualification race and are named to the Zone team. This leaves 2 wildcards that will need to be re-allocated. The remaining races are assessed on their level of competitiveness and the race deemed most competitive received the extra 2 wildcards from Zone 1. These wildcards will go to the next fastest male and next fastest female.

Eligibility for Athletes:

1. Athletes must be annual members of Triathlon BC for the 2020 season to qualify as BC Summer Games Athletes. Athletes must be active members prior to competing in the selection event.
2. In order to qualify for the BC Summer Games athletes must be between the ages of 14 & 15. Ages are calculated as of December 31, 2020.

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