

Surf Canada National Junior Surfing Team Selection Policy

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1.0 Objectives:

- To select the best competitive surfers to represent Canada at the International Surfing Association (ISA) World Junior Surfing Championships (WJSC)
- To provide a clear criteria for athletes who strive toward being selected to represent their country

2.0 National Selection Panel:

The National selection panel for the CSA Canadian Surfing Team will comprise of:

- CSA President
- General Manager Sport Development & High Performance
- National Coach

3.0 Eligibility for Canadian National Team Selection:

To be eligible for selection in the National Team athletes must:

- Be a Canadian citizen with a valid Canadian passport
- Be a registered member of Surf Canada
- Be of the correct age to fulfil the ISA entry requirements for the U/16 girls, U/16 boys, U/18 girls and U/18 boys divisions
- Athlete's ages are taken from the 1st of January of the year of the International competition.
- Comply in all respects with the drugs policy of ISA and the WADA Code
- Not be subject to any suspension or disqualification imposed by the CSA or other surfing authority having jurisdiction over the Athlete or the competition

4.0 The Canadian Junior Surf Team:

The format of Team Canada to compete at the ISA World Surfing Games:

- 2 x U16 Girls (Shortboard)
- 2 x U18 Girls (Shortboard)
- 4 x U16 Boys (Shortboard)
- 4 x U18 Boys (Shortboard)

Team Support Staff will be made up of the following:

- 1 x Head Coach
- 1 x Manager
- Female Chaperone (if neither coach nor manager is female)

5.0 Selection Criteria:

5.1 Athletes

5.1.1 The CSA National Championships will determine the selection of all positions on the Canadian Junior Team, with the exception of two male positions which will be reserved for wildcard selections.

5.1.2 Where a selected Canadian Team Member declines their selection or is unable to compete as a result of failing the medical screening and fitness test as provided in clause 6.1 below, this Athlete will be replaced with a wildcard selection.

Selection	U16 Girls	U16 Boys
1	Canadian Champion	Canadian Champion
2	Runner-up	Runner-up
3	N/A	Wildcard
4	N/A	Wildcard
Selection	U18 Girls	U18 Boys
1	Canadian Champion	Canadian Champion
2	Runner-up	Runner-up
3	N/A	Wildcard
4	N/A	Wildcard

5.2 Wildcard Selection

The wildcard selection is at the sole discretion of the National Selection Panel. Factors contributing to selection will include but not limited to the following (based on the 3 P's: Performance, Potential, Personality):

- Result from Nationals in the category to be selected
- Result from Nationals in secondary category, weighted in favour of more advanced division(s)
- Average heat score across all categories from Nationals
- Results from recognized non-Canadian competitions
- Level of athlete development
- Coachability, contributing positively to Team dynamic, exceptional sportsmanship
- X-factor(s) – i.e. the will to compete, day in – day out, all conditions and circumstances

6.0 Injury

6.1 In the case of a selected Canadian Team member incurring injury or incapacity to compete at the highest level in the lead up to either the ISA World Surfing Games, the athlete will be required to pass a medical screening and fitness test conducted by a CSA approved medical staff.

6.2 In relation to fitness, the determination of the Canadian Team medical staff is final.

7.0 Appeals:

Decisions made by the Selection Panel are final, there is no right of appeal.