



# **SASKATCHEWAN WRESTLING SELECTION CRITERIA** **CANADA SUMMER GAMES PROGRAM 2022**



1. All athletes must be born in the year 2003, 2004, 2005 & 2006
2. Athletes must be members in good standings with the Saskatchewan Amateur Wrestling Association
3. Athletes will qualify for the team through a three-tier process as follow:

## **TIER 1 – TRIALS LADDER**

APRIL 2 – F.W. Johnson Collegiate, 400 Fines Drive (Regina)

### **Ladder Tournament Schedule:**

- 11:00-11:30AM – Onsite Weigh-in
- 1:00PM – Ladder Tournament Start Time (until Completion)

### **Ladder Tournament Format:**

- Bracket for weight classes with 6 or more athletes. If #3 has not wrestled #2 there will be a true second match
- Pool for weights of 5 or less
- If there are only 2 athletes in the weight class, they will wrestle best 2 of 3 matches
- No weight allowance
- Coaches will only be allowed to oversee the actual weigh-in of their personal athletes

## **TIER 2 - CANADA GAMES IDENTIFIED PROGRAM**

MARCH - JUNE 2022

- Top 3 athletes in each weight class from Tier 1 Trials will be invited to be involved in the “Canada Games Identified Program” regardless of whether they make the team or not.
- All athletes in the program will need to commit to the Canada Games Training Program in order to have an opportunity to compete in the final trials

### **Program will include:**

- Training Camp #1 – April 3 at F.W. Johnson Collegiate, 400 Fines Drive Regina
- Easter Training Camp & Competition – April 16-23 (Location(s) TBA)
- Canada Games Final Trials – May 14 (Saskatoon – Times TBA)

## **TIER 3 - FINAL TRIALS**

MAY 14, 2022 – Saskatoon (Times TBA)

### **Final Trials Information:**

- Weigh in will occur the morning of the final trial - competition will commence 2 hours after the weigh in.
- Ladder will be set based on results from Tier 1 trial. The ladder will only recognize the top 3 athletes.
- The #1 athlete will have a 1 match advantage in a best 2 of 3 format (ex. #1 will have to be beaten twice in a row)
- If the previous #1 athlete does not compete in the same weight class, then the #2 athlete from the tier 1 trials will move up to #1 but will not have a match advantage. #3 would also move up if #2 or #1 did not compete in the same weight class. If #1, #2 and #3 do not compete then a pool or bracket will be formed with the winner being the Champion unless there are only 2 in the weight class, then the final would be best 2 of 3.
- All athletes that competed in the Tier 1 trial that were not in the top 3 and any additional athletes that meet criteria would be placed in a pool/bracket. The winner of the pool/bracket would then join the ladder at the bottom.

- Athletes may change weight classes, however they will then relinquish their previous position from the Tier 1 trial and go to the bottom of the ladder or join the pool/bracket of the new weight class
- Winner of the Tier 3 Trial will be named as the Canada Games Team Member - Loser of the final will be the alternate
- If a weight class is uncontested, CG coaches will communicate the need to fill the weight class to club coaches. If there is more than one athlete put forward, a wrestle-off will occur at the CG coaches' discretion. If 1 or no athletes are put forward, coaches will use their discretion to fill the weight class. Once a decision is made the placement must be ratified by the HP Committee.
- Club Coaches can submit an athlete's name who has not been involved in Tier 1 and/or Tier 2 to the CG Head Coach(es) to be considered for an invitation to compete in the Tier 3 trials. The CG coach(es) must submit a notice of entry by May 7 to the VP Technical who will then discuss the invitation with the High-Performance Committee.
- If the High-Performance Committee agrees with the submission, it would be passed on to the Board for ratification. The invited athlete would assume the lowest spot on the Tier 3 ladder or if there is more than one, a wrestle-off(s) would occur and the winner would take the bottom rung of the ladder.

## **CANADA GAMES PROGRAM**

May 15, 2022 – Canada Games

Tier 3 Trials Champions will represent Saskatchewan at the Canada Games if they commit to the Canada Games Program (under coaches' discretion) and will be required to participate as follows:

- May Training Camp – May 15 – Saskatoon
- WCL Canadian Trials – Edmonton – May 26-29 – Trials
- WCL U-17/U-19 Championships – Calgary - June 7-9
- Summer training – TBD by Canada Games Coaching staff for month of July
- Canada Summer Games – Departing August 5<sup>th</sup>

## **Special Circumstances**

- Any athlete that is age appropriate and places in the top 3 at the SHSAA Provincials or competed in at least 1 Univ. level competition between Oct 2021 and March 2022 may receive a medical exemption from Trial #1.
- This exemption will allow them to be part of the Tier 2 Canada Games Identified program. The athlete will assume the bottom position on the tier 3 ladder or placed in the pool. No previous wrestle offs will be required.
- Medical exemptions will only be allowed at the tier 3 trials if the athlete was #1 and his/her medical issue will be resolved and a wrestle-off can occur prior to names being required by the Games Council. The CG head coach will have final discretion regarding the wrestle-off date. The wrestle off will occur at the home of the winner of Trial #3 and the athlete who has the medical exemption will be down 1 match.
- At any time, a wrestler named to the Canada Games Team may be replaced based on the discretion of the coaching staff **and** the discretion of the SAWA High Performance Committee. Coaches must file a notice to SAWA's High Performance Committee. The Committee will then make the decision and send it to the Board for a final decision.