

## **CANADA HOPES /CADETS**

### **ATHLETE PATHWAY**

(update Fall 2016)



#### **CANADA HOPES WEEK – EAST/WEST**

The Canada Hopes Week is held annually in the summer, either before or after the Canadian Championships – Eastern Hopes Week (Ontario and east) and Western Hopes Week (Manitoba and west).

The program is linked to the ITTF Hopes Program and offers Canadian players of this age group an opportunity to qualify for the ITTF World Hopes Challenge

The Canada Hopes Week combines a week of skill development, training and competition.

The purpose of the week

- expose young talents to a regional, multi-province event;
- coaches of hopes players interact with a national team coach;
- national team coach to see young, talented player in a camp/competition environment;
- for hopes players, it is an opportunity to interact, train with and compete against players in their age group.

#### **COMPETITION**

The format of the competition should allow the Hopes players to play in one category and, depending on their level, end up in a final competition group with players of their own level – not necessarily their own age – suggested playing format: progressive round robins.

The competition may be held on the last two days of the Hopes week, or on 3-4 afternoons with training sessions in the morning.

The tournament establishes the highest ranked U13, U11 and U9 player in both genders.

The Canada Hopes Week competition will be ranked as a 1\* event.

#### **EDUCATION**

The Canada Hopes Week organizers are encouraged to add education activities to the Canada Hopes Week; e.g., young umpire clinic, coach education clinic (Introduction To Competition); tournament director seminar. Grants for learning facilitators are available through Table Tennis Canada.

#### **CANADA HOPES WEEK AS A QUALIFICATION EVENT:**

The Canada Hopes Week serves as a qualification event for a number of programs, such as the Canadian Hopes Challenge, the Canada Cup Finals. It is also part of the pathway to the North American Hopes Challenge, the ITTF World Hopes Challenge, the Canadian Cadet team and the North American Cadet team to the World Cadet Challenge.

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EAST - WEST  
#1-#4 of CA11/gender

**CANADA HOPES CHALLENGE**  
CA12  
(January/February)  
max 12 players/gender:  
#1-#4 Canada Hopes Week  
4 players by coach selection

**ITTF NORTH AMERICA HOPES CHALLENGE**  
CA12  
(before ITTF deadline)  
Top 4 finishers\* of Canada Hopes Challenge  
(must have participated in the East/West Hopes week)

**ITTF WORLD HOPES WEEK**  
CA12  
(tbc)  
Winners of North America Hopes Challenge

CADET COMPETITIONS

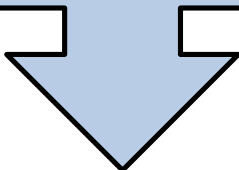
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Winner of CA13/gender



**CANADA CUP FINALS**  
Winner of CA13 guaranteed spot  
plus qualifiers through Canada Cup competitions  
Plus 'wild cards'



**CANADIAN CADET TEAM**  
(see annual team selection memo)

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