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Table Tennis Canada

National Junior Team Selection Memo
Calendar of events and qualification criteria for 2017

2017 is shaping up as an exciting year for Canada's Junior and Cadet players. The currently planned international events for the National Junior team are:

INTERNATIONAL JUNIOR AND CADET EVENTS:

• PANAM JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS, June 20-25, 2017 • Buenos Aires, Argentina
4 Canadian boys and 4 Canadian girls (born on or after January 1, 1999)
Selection date: April 16, 2017

• WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS, November 26 – December 3, 2017 • Riva del Garda, Italy
4 Canadian boys and 4 Canadian girls (born on or after January 1, 1999)
Selection date: September 15, 2017 (if Canada qualifies at the PANAM Junior Championships; same number of players and age cut-off as PANAM Junior Championships)

• YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES – NORTH AMERICAN QUALIFIER – December 17, 2017 • Las Vegas, USA
8 Canadian boys and 8 Canadian girls (born on or between 01/01/2000 – 31/12/2003) will be entered in the North American Qualifier.
Selection date: September 15, 2017

• YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES – ITTF ROAD TO BUENOS AIRES SERIES
The ITTF has announced the qualification system for the YOG in Buenos Aires; it consists of a continental qualification (December 17, 2017 in Las Vegas, USA) and the Road to Buenos Aires series.
see: https://www.ittf.com/tournament/2798/2018/3rd-youth-olympic-games/

Should there be any Canadian players eligible for the Road to Buenos Aires series, Canada will select the highest ranked, eligible Canadian player (in the Canadian ranking) to the Road to Buenos Aires competitions.

WORLD CADET CHALLENGE, October 21-29, 2017 • Suva, Fiji
2 Canadian boys and 2 Canadian girls (born on or after January 1, 2002)
Selection date: August 16, 2017

QUALIFICATION CRITERIA

ALL PROVISIONS IN THE NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION POLICY ARE IN EFFECT.

Players collect points at

• Butterfly Canada Cup #1, Burnaby BC (MS, WS, Hopes events) • January 14-15, 2017
• Butterfly Canada Cup #2, Markham ON (MS, WS, Hopes events) • February 11-12, 2017
• Butterfly Canada Cup Finals, Markham, ON (MS, WS, Hopes events) • March 11-12, 2017
• Canadian Championships, Markham, ON (CA Boy, Girls; JR Boys, Girls, Y21 Men, Women; Men's, Women's Singles) • July 10-15, 2017

In addition, players collect points
• from the ITTF World Ranking (player must appear as active on the list): 1st Canadian player, 2nd Canadian player etc.

• from the Canadian Ranking
Players ranked in order of their ranking points will earn points according to their ranking.

Qualified Players and Coach Selections
For each team, 50% of the team members are qualifying by ranking in the points standing specific to the event – see points distribution below; the other 50% of the team members will be selected by the High Performance Committee whose members are:
• the coach assigned to the competition
• a full-time National Team Coach
• the High Performance Director (or the CEO if the position of the High Performance Director is vacant).
• the High Performance Committee will be given strong direction to select players who are active in Canada in *** and **** competitions.

Points table (in competitions and rankings):
1st position – 100 points
2nd position – 80 points
3rd position – 60 points
4th position – 50 points
5th position – 40 points
6th position – 30 points
7th position – 20 points
8th position – 10 points

Points aging:
- Each competition loses 10% of its points value for each month that has passed on the selection date; e.g., The Butterfly Canada Cup #1 which will have occurred on January 14-15, will have 'aged' by 3 months on the selection date for the PANAM Junior Championships – hence, its points will have aged by 30%. This means that the best Junior finisher will earn 70% of the 100 points available = 70 points.
- This principle will be applied to all competitions.
- The most current ranking available will be used for the ranking points (which will always be counted at their full value.)

Please direct any questions concerning the Junior Team Selection to tonyk@ttcan.ca