



Bicycle Nova Scotia 2022 Canada Summer Games Road Cycling Team

Selection Criteria

Date: August 14th –August 22th 2022

Location: Niagara, Ontario

Description: Road Race, Time Trial, Criterium

Team Composition: up to 4 Males, 4 Females, *1 wild card + 1 alternate Male/Female

The selection period for the 2022 Niagara Canada Games will take place this year from April 10th to June 26th 2022.

Selection criteria will comprise of both the results from a series of identified road races, ITT selection races, and a coaching assessment. We underscore that selection will thus be based on both objective and subjective criteria.

Additionally, race series uncertainties and the potential for the continuing impacts of COVID-19 may result in *ad hoc* changes to the selection criteria. Competitors seeking selection will be deemed to have acknowledged that they are participating on that basis.

Without limitation, *ad hoc* changes to the selection criteria may include reliance on 2021 (as well as 2022) race results, power data analysis, training volume analysis, fitness testing (supervised by coaching staff), and an overall assessment by coaching staff of each competitor's experience and her or his competitive potential.

Competitors seeking selection to the team must complete the application form and submit it to jon.burgess@bicycle.ns.ca, no later than April 20th 2022.

Objectives

Bicycle Nova Scotia's objective is to identify and select a team that balances the best possible results in the pending Games with an investment in athlete development for the purposes of future Games. It is on that basis that pending selections seek two main objectives:

- A) The selections of athletes with the potential of achieving a 15 top finish in the Road race, or 10 Top in ITT**

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B) The selection of athletes with the potential of achieving or identified as podium finishes in the next Games (currently slated for 2024)

Eligibility:

- All competitors must hold a valid Cycling Canada licenses issued by Bicycle Nova Scotia.
- All competitors must be in good standing with Bicycle Nova Scotia.
- All competitors must meet basic eligibility requirements as outlined in the Canada Games Road Cycling technical package: <https://www.canadagames.ca/sports/cycling-road>
- All competitors must meet the vaccination criteria set out by Sport Nova Scotia (please note this criteria is subject to change or enhancement based on the evolution of the pandemic).
- Male competitors applying for selection must be, as of Dec 31st, 2022, no less than 16 years of age and no more than 22 years of age.
- Female competitors applying for selection must be, as of Dec 31st, 2022, no less than 16 years of age and no more than 24 years of age.

Note: Nova Scotia is permitted to enter two female athlete birth year 1999 or later, and two athletes whose birth years are between 2001 and 2006.

Selection Criteria:

Subject to the comments set out above, the following criteria will apply as nearly as reasonably possible to the selection of Nova Scotia's team:

- 1) The Male and Female competitors with the highest combined points earned in at least two identified selection races combined with points earned in at least one selection ITT race (or such races as are deemed as such by coaching staff).
- 2) The Male and Female competitors with the 2nd highest combined points earned in at least two identified selection races combined with points earned in at least one selection ITT race (or such races as are deemed as such by coaching staff).
- 3) As selected by coaching staff.
- 4) As selected by coaching staff.
- 5) *As selected by coaching staff. Wild card spot (either Female or Male team)

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As noted above, competitors "as selected by coaching staff" will be selected based on the combined bases fitness, participation in provincial programming, competition experience, national competition results, age and Games finish placements or development potential.

Upon completion of the selections as above, an alternate will be chosen based on next placed athlete in both points and the other criteria

***Bicycle Nova Scotia has the discretion to add one additional athlete to either the Female or Male team as outlined in the technical guide. Once the selection races are completed, the coaching staff will assess the remaining athlete pool and assign one additional athlete to either team based on the objectives stated above.**

Competitors are expected to compete in at least 2 selection Road races and 1 ITT to be eligible for selection. In addition, athletes must meet the minimum speed standards set out below for the ITT event. Any competitor who can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the coaching staff that she or he is engaged in competitive racing outside of Nova Scotia or provide a reason which, in its sole discretion, is acceptable to the coaching staff, for not competing as above, the coaching staff may, again within its sole waive the application of these criteria.

For selection purposes, Male competitors will compete in the Men's "Elite/A" category in Nova Scotia racing, and Female competitors in the Female "Elite/A" category. For selection purposes, points will be awarded in the following order based on the finishing order relative to other Canada Games athletes.

1st Place 100pts	6th Place 65 pts	11th Place 40 pts
2nd Place 90 pts	7th Place 60 pts	12th Place 35 pts
3rd Place 80 pts	8th Place 55 pts	13th Place 30 pts
4th Place 75 pts	9th Place 50 pts	14th Place 25 pts
5th Place 70 pts	10th Place 45 pts	15th Place 20 pts

Points will not be awarded to competitors who are the sole entrants in their applicable categories or fail to finish the qualifying race.

Selection Period:

Assessment period will begin April 10th and conclude June 26th 2022. Selection races will take place in May and June 2022. The following events will be used for selection:

- 1) BNS #1 AMP Circuit Race May 8th
- 2) Long Weekend Omnium Time Trial May 22nd

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- 3) Long Weekend Omnium Road Race May 23
- 4) Hightide Road TT June 11
- 5) High Tide Road Race June 12

*Note, time trial bikes will not be permitted for ITT races as Canada Games regulations state athletes may only bring one (1) bicycle to Canada Games to be used in the Road Race and ITT events. Aerobars, disk wheels and TT apparel are permitted. A minimum performance standard for the ITT has been set at 37kph average speed for the men, and 32kph average speed for the women. Failure to meet this standard will render the athlete ineligible for selection.

Selection Committee:

A Selection Committee will be used to review selection documents for equity and fairness, as well as hearing all athlete disputes upon completion of final selection. The Selection Committee will consist of the Chair (BNS Competition president), BNS Board member, and one appointed community member.

Appeal Procedure:

Appeals related to finish results in any qualifying race must be submitted and resolved at the impugned event with its Chief Commissaire, and the competitor must follow the BNS/CCA Race Committee/College of Commissaires appeal procedure at that race.

Final selection appeals must be submitted within one (1) week of the provisional Team announcement. If a competitor wishes to lodge any such appeal, a written submission must be completed and submitted to the Canada Games Committee. The Committee will review the appeal and put forward a recommendation for the Head Coach to follow.

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