BCWG 2022 ZONE 2 QUALIFICATION FORMAT

The 2022 BC Winter Games (BCWG) will take place in Vernon, BC on February 24th-27th, 2022. The speed skating event will feature short track races. Please see the Speed Skating Technical Package for details. Skaters must be 12 or 13 years old as of June 30th, 2021. All Skaters compete at the BCWG for their Zone, which is based on their place of residence. There are three methods of qualification to the BCWG.

- 1. Qualify, via Zone Qualification Format, for a Zone quota position (see details below).
- 2. Qualify, via Zone Wild Card Format, for a Zone wildcard position (see details below).
- 3. Qualify into a wildcard position (see Technical Package for details).

Zone 2 Qualification Format

Skaters qualifying for a Zone quota position (1 male and 1 female per Zone) must participate in their Zone Qualification Format (QF). The Zone QF is established by the Zone Rep (Nancy Goplen) and scheduled for Saturday, Nov 27th in Kelowna.

Zone 2 QF selects skaters to Zone quota positions based on the skaters' best times skated as defined below.

• Eligible Times must be skated based on the following criteria:

- o Categories: Male, Female
- o Distances: 400m and 1500m on the 100m track
- Tie breaker distance: 400m (see below for details)
- BCSSA and/or SSC Sanctioned Competitive Meets
- Qualifying Dates: Between August 1st, 2021, and December 31st, 2021.

Note: Time determinant: Times captured manually will have 0.2 seconds added to them to be able to compare to the times to electronic times.

• Zone 2 Selection Process:

- o the skater's combined "personal best" time from the 400m and 1500m races held between August 1st, 2021, and December 31st, 2021, at a sanctioned competition.
- Selection will be based on the lowest over-all combined ranking for each male and female quota positions.
- o In the event of a tie, the results of a 400m held between August 1st, 2021 and December 31st, 2021 will be reviewed and the fastest "personal best" time will be the definitive tie breaker. **Zone Wild Card**

Selection Process:

o Any Zone with 2 or more eligible female skaters will be guaranteed one wildcard position for a female

skater. Any Zone with 2 or more eligible male skaters will be guaranteed one wildcard position for a male skater.

- o Any Zone with only 1 eligible male or 1 eligible female skater will not receive a Zone wildcard.
- o A list of wildcard contenders need to be submitted using a wildcard application.
- Selection will be based on the second lowest overall combined ranking from the skaters' "Personal best" time from the 400m and 1500m races for each male or female position.
- o In the event of a tie, the results of a <u>400m</u> held between August 1st, 2021 and December 31st, 2021, will be reviewed and the fastest "personal best" time will be the definitive tiebreaker.
- o Zone wildcard positions will be determined after December 31st, 2021.

• Wild Card Selection Process:

- o A minimum of 8 and up to a maximum of 16 wildcards for Speed Skating, for each gender, are potentially awarded after December 31st, 2021. The number of wildcards available will be dependent on whether Zones are granted a Zone wildcard (see above). This is to achieve the maximum allowed athletes for the event (24 male and 24 female).
- o Inclusion: U14 Males, U14 Females.
- o All eligible skaters registered who have not otherwise qualified for their Zone.
- Remaining wild card positions will be distributed based on the best (lowest) combined 400m+1500m time. Times must be skated at a sanctioned competition between August 1, 2021, and December 31, 2021, on the 100m track.

BC Winter Games Registration

All Zone quota position and Zone Wildcard position must be awarded by December 31st, 2021. Between January 1st and 15th, 2022, wildcard positions will be calculated and awarded by the Provincial Advisor. All skaters must be registered by the Zone Rep by the BC Winter Games registration deadline of January 24th, 2022.

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