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2026 JUNIOR TRACK SELECTION POLICY

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Deadline to appeal this policy: Feb. 18, 2026

All programming subject to change.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

This document lays out the criteria to be used by Cycling Canada (CC) to select athletes to the Canadian team for 2026 Junior Track projects.

The criteria are organized by Section as follows:

- Section A – PROGRAM OVERVIEW
- Section B – ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA
- Section C – SPECIFIC SELECTION CRITERIA

The program objectives and calendar are stated in Section A.

To be considered for selection, athletes must meet the Eligibility Criteria in Section B and the time standards listed on the CC website.

Selection decisions are based on the Specific Criteria in Section C.

Unless expressly stated in the Specific Selection Criteria, selections are subject the General Selection Criteria found on the CC website.

2026 JUNIOR TRACK NATIONAL TEAM CALENDAR

Dates	Project	Location	Application deadline
Jan. 10-12	Apeldoorn The Next Generation International <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Departure Jan. 6 • Competition Jan. 10-12 	Apeldoorn NED	Nov.21
Aug 12-23	Junior Track World Championships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performance Camp Aug. 4-13 • Departure Aug. 12 • Competition Aug. 19-23 	Heusden-Zolder BEL	March 29

All dates subject to change.

SECTION B – ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for selection to the Canadian team, an athlete must:

- Be a Canadian citizen.
- Have a valid Canadian passport that does not expire before the date required by the consular authorities of the country in which the event is being held.
- Be in compliance with all relevant CC and UCI requirements for eligibility.
- Hold a valid UCI license indicating nationality as Canadian.
- Sign, submit and comply with the CC National Team Agreement.
- Have completed all relevant UCI, WADA and CCES anti-doping requirements.
- Have signed the consent form agreeing to be bound by the Universal Code of Conduct to prevent and address Maltreatment in Sport (UCCMS).
- Minors must have parental permission to participate in training programs and competitions.

Additional eligibility requirements may be detailed in the Specific Selection Criteria below.

**SECTION C- SPECIFIC SELECTION CRITERIA****Apeldoorn The Next Generation**

<i>Project title:</i>	<i>Apeldoorn The Next Generation International Juniors 2026</i>	
<i>Departure date:</i>	Jan. 6, 2026	
<i>Competition dates:</i>	Jan. 10-12, 2026	
<i>Location:</i>	Apeldoorn NED	
<i>Category:</i>	Junior (born 2008-2009)	
<i>Max. team size:</i>	Women	Men
	4 Endurance 3 Sprint	4 Endurance 3 Sprint
	<i>CC reserves the right to increase, decrease or reconfigure the team size per Section B, Clause 5, of the General Selection Criteria.</i>	
<i>Selection panel:</i>	Selection recommendation made by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CC Track Endurance Coach Panel (see CC website) Selection recommendation reviewed by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chief Sport Officer, or delegate • Director of High Performance Services, or delegate 	
<i>Selection dates:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nov. 21, 2025 – Application deadline • Nov. 24, 2025 – Coach Panel submit team selection to Head Coach and DHPS • Nov. 26, 2025 – Selection decision approved and published; athletes informed; appeal period starts • Dec. 5, 2025 – Appeal deadline*; selections final* <p>* Anyone not named in the selection decision must appeal by the deadline or they lose their right to appeal.</p>	
<i>Eligibility:</i>	Athletes who are junior in 2026 (born 2008-2009)	
<i>Prerequisites for selection:</i>	To be considered for this project, athletes must complete the application form found on the CC website no later than the date indicated above.	
<i>Selection criteria:</i>	<p>Endurance:</p> <p>Positions will be filled with eligible athletes in the following order until the team size is met:</p> <p>Elimination, Individual Pursuit, Points Race, Scratch, and Team Pursuit.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Medalists in individual endurance events at the 2025 Junior World Championships (Omnium, Points Race, Scratch Race, Elimination Race or Individual Pursuit). 2. Members of the 2025 UCI Junior Track World Championship team. 3. Fastest U17 time in the individual pursuit at the 2025 Canadian Junior and U17 Track Championships. 4. Riders who finished top 5 in junior women’s or men’s bunch races at the 2025 Canadian Junior Track Championships, in the following priority order: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. Points Race II. Scratch Race III. Elimination Race Riders will be ranked by finishing position. 	



<p><i>Project title:</i></p>	<p><i>Apeldoorn The Next Generation International Juniors 2026</i></p> <p>5. Coach Panel discretion based on assessment of riders’ eligibility, ability to meet CC time standards, and results in the Points Race, Scratch Race, Elimination Race, Individual Pursuit, and Time Trial at the 2025 Canadian Junior and U17 Track Championships.</p> <p>Sprint:</p> <p>Positions will be filled with eligible athletes in the following order until the team size is met:</p> <p>Sprint, Keirin, Time Trial, and Team Sprint.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Medalists in sprint or keirin at the 2025 UCI Junior Track World Championships.2. Members of the 2025 UCI Junior Track World Championship team who competed in sprint or keirin.3. Fastest times in the U17 and Junior flying 200m at the 2025 Canadian Junior and U17 Track Championships who have also met the 200m Junior B sprint time standard between Jan. 1, 2025, and the selection date.4. Highest placed finishers in the Junior Women’s and Junior Men’s Keirin at the 2025 Canadian Junior Track Championships who have met the Junior B sprint time standard for the flying 200m between Jan. 1, 2025, and the selection date.5. Coach Panel discretion based on assessment of riders’ eligibility, ability to meet CC sprint time standards, and results in the Sprint and Keirin at the 2025 Canadian Junior and U17 Track Championships. <p>In all events, CC reserves the right to not select or start an athlete or team who, in the opinion of the Coach Panel, does not have the requisite skills, fitness or performance level needed to compete safely or successfully at the international level. This assessment is based solely on the expert opinion of the Coach Panel.</p> <p>CC reserves the right to fill any vacant or remaining start positions at the competition with athletes who were already selected for other events if needed. Selection of starters will be at the discretion of the Coach at the event.</p> <p>Per Section B, Clause 1 of the General Selection Criteria, the starting composition for team events shall be determined on site by the coach of that event.</p>
<p><i>Self-funding:</i></p>	<p>Athletes are responsible for the following costs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Travel costs to and from project• Project Fee per CC’s National Team Athlete Fees Policy. The fee is based on the athlete’s National Performance Pool status, the number of project days, the project location, and whether meals are provided. The fee may change if the project parameters change. Fees must be paid two weeks prior to the start of the project.



UCI Junior Track World Championships

Project title:	UCI Junior Track World Championships		
Departure date:	Aug. 12, 2026		
Competition dates:	Aug. 19-23, 2026		
Location:	Heusden-Zolder BEL		
Category:	Junior (athletes born in 2008 and 2009)		
Max. team size:		Women	Men
	Endurance	4	4
	Sprint	3	3
	<i>CC reserves the right to increase, decrease or reconfigure the team size per Section B, Clause 5 of the General Selection Criteria.</i>		
Selection panel:	Selection recommendation made by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CC Track Endurance and Track Sprint Coach Panels (see CC website) Selection recommendation reviewed by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chief Technical Officer, or delegate • Director of High Performance Services, or delegate Selection reviewed by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High Performance Committee 		
Selection dates:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March 30, 2026 – Application deadline • March 31, 2026 – Coach Panel submits recommendations to CTO and DHPS, or delegates • April 2, 2026 – Selections submitted to High Performance Committee • April 4, 2026 – Selection decision approved and published; athletes informed; appeal period starts • April 12, 2026 – Appeal deadline; selections final* <p>* Anyone not named in the selection decision must appeal by the deadline or they lose their right to appeal.</p>		
Eligibility:	<p>To be selected for the Junior World Championships, athletes must meet the eligibility requirement previously stated in the selection document and be eligible to compete in the Junior category at the 2026 Junior World Championships.</p> <p>Athletes must attend the Canadian Junior Track Championships (March 27-29, 2026 – Edmonton AB)</p> <p>Endurance athletes must meet an endurance Junior A standard in the 3000m Individual Pursuit or 1km Time Trial between Nov. 1, 2025, and the selection date.</p> <p>Sprint athletes must meet a Junior A sprint standard in the 1km Time Trial or 200m between Nov. 1, 2025, and the selection date.</p>		
Prerequisites for selection:	To be considered for this project, athletes must complete the application form found on the CC website no later than the date indicated above.		
Endurance Selection Criteria:	The Coach Panel will select 4 athletes per gender will be selected in the following order until the team size is met or there are no more eligible athletes:		



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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Medalists in track endurance events at the 2025 Junior Track World Championships who have met the Junior A Individual Pursuit standard in the Individual Pursuit between Nov. 1, 2025, and the selection date. 2. Winners of the junior points races at the 2026 Canadian Junior Track Championships (or, if already selected, the next finisher, providing they are among the top 3) who have met the Junior A Standard in the Individual Pursuit between Nov. 1, 2025, and the selection date. 3. Top 2 finishers in the Individual Pursuit at the 2026 Canadian Junior Track Championships (or, if already selected, the next finisher providing they are among the top 3) who have met the Junior A standard in the Individual Pursuit between Nov. 1, 2025, and the selection date. 4. Winners of the junior scratch races at the 2026 Canadian Junior Track Championships (or, if already selected, the next finisher providing they are among the top 3) who have met the Junior A standard the Individual Pursuit between Nov. 1, 2025, and the selection date. 5. Winners of the junior elimination races at the 2026 Canadian Junior Track Championships (or, if already selected, the next best finisher providing they are among the top 3) who have met the Junior A standard the Individual Pursuit between Nov. 1, 2025, and the selection date. 6. Athletes selected at the discretion of the Coach Panel based on assessment of results in the Points Race, Scratch Race, Elimination Race, Individual Pursuit and Time Trial at the 2026 Canadian Junior Track Championships. <p>In addition, 1 non-travelling alternate may be selected using the same criteria. The non-travelling alternate will be asked to replace any athlete unable to travel to World Championships</p> <p>Team Pursuit: The 4 selected athletes will form the Team Pursuit team at World Championships.</p> <p>Individual and bunch events: The Coach Panel will select starters and alternates for individual and bunch events from among athletes selected to the Team Pursuit using the criteria below. If there is no Team Pursuit entry, the Coach Panel will select a maximum of 3 athletes using the same criteria. To ensure there is a balance of competition opportunities, the Omnium starter will not be selected to the Points Race, Scratch Race or Elimination Race.</p> <p>Omnium (1 starter and 1 alternate per gender): Athletes will be selected based on results from the Points Race, Scratch Race, and Elimination Race at the 2026 Canadian Junior Track Championships. The ranking will be determined using the points system listed in Table 1. Any tie will be broken by final placing in the Points Race.</p> <p>Table 1</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="467 1633 773 1869"> <thead> <tr> <th>Placing</th> <th>Points</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>25</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2</td> <td>18</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3</td> <td>15</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4</td> <td>12</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5</td> <td>10</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6</td> <td>8</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Placing	Points	1	25	2	18	3	15	4	12	5	10	6	8
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<p>Sprint Selection Criteria:</p>	<p>The Coach Panel will select up to 3 athletes per gender in the following order until the team size is met:</p> <p>Sprint and Keirin (2 starters per event per gender):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Medalists in the Junior Sprint and Keirin from the 2025 Junior World Championships who have achieved the Junior A sprint time standard in the Flying 200m between Nov. 1, 2025, and the selection date. 2. Winners of the Junior Sprint at the 2026 Canadian Junior Track Championships who have achieved the Junior A sprint standard in the Flying 200m between Nov. 1, 2025, and the selection date. 3. Winners of the Junior Keirin at the 2025 Canadian Junior Track Championships who have achieved the Junior A sprint standard in Flying 200m between Nov. 1, 2025, and the selection date. 4. Coach Panel discretion based on assessment of rider’s results in the Sprint and Keirin at the 2025 Canadian Junior Track Championships. <p>Team Sprint: The Coach Panel will select athletes for the Team Sprint from among riders already selected to the 2026 Junior World Championships.</p>								
<p>Time Trial Selection Criteria:</p>	<p>The Coach Panel will select athletes for the Time Trial from among athletes already selected to the Endurance or Sprint events in the following order until the team size is met:</p> <p>Time Trial (2 starters and 1 alternate per gender):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Medalists in the Time Trial at the 2025 Junior World Championships who have achieved the Junior A sprint standard in the 1km Time Trial between Nov. 1, 2025, and the selection date. 2. Winners of the Junior Time Trials at the 2026 Canadian Junior Track Championships who have achieved the Junior A sprint standard in the 1km Time Trial between Nov. 1, 2025, and the selection date. 								



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	<ol style="list-style-type: none">3. 2nd place finishers in the Junior Time Trials at the 2026 Canadian Junior Track Championships who they have achieved the Junior A sprint standard in the 1km Time Trial between Nov. 1, 2025, and the selection date.4. Athletes ranked in order of finish placing in the Junior Time Trials at the 2026 Canadian Junior Track Championships.
<i>Other selection matters:</i>	<p>Per Section B, Clause 1, of the General Selection Criteria, the starting composition for each competition round shall be determined on site by the coach of that event.</p> <p>In all events, CC reserves the right to not select or start an athlete or team who, in the opinion of the Coach Panel, does not have the requisite skills, fitness or performance level needed to compete safely or successfully at the international level. This assessment is based solely on the expert opinion of the Coach Panel.</p> <p>CC reserves the right to fill any vacant or remaining start position at the competition with athletes who were already selected for other events if needed.</p> <p>Riders selected through Coach Panel discretion may be required to meet the Junior A time standard prior to June 1, 2026, to confirm their selection for the World Championships.</p>
<i>Self-funding:</i>	<p>Athletes are responsible for the following costs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Travel costs to and from project• Project Fee per CC’s National Team Athlete Fees Policy. The fee is based on the athlete’s National Performance Pool status, the number of project days, the project location, and whether meals are provided. The fee may change if the project parameters change. Fees must be paid two weeks prior to the start of the project.