

## Men's Artistic Gymnastics Qualification Standards for the 2021 Competition Season

For complete Team BC qualification rules, refer to Section 7 of the  
GBC Operations Manual (Artistic Men's section)

### **2021 Western Canadian Championships – CANCELLED**

With the short notice cancellation of the 2021 Western Canadian Championships, athletes that would have qualified, by their rank, at the trial event, will be recognized, for their efforts, with a letter from the MTC. The letter will list the Western Canadian Team BC members, and will also be sent to the athletes' clubs.

The Surrey Invitational (Surrey) will be the only trial event for Westerns. Selection to the Westerns team for each category will be based 100% on rankings from this event only. **Petitions will not be accepted for athletes that have not competed at the Trial event (The only exception could be in the Elite 3 or Elite 4 categories, if teams are not already full).**

Categories included at the 2021 Westerns are **Elite 3, Elite 4, Provincial 4 and Provincial 5.**

Elite 3 – Each province is eligible to send up to 10 Elite 3 athletes to Westerns (two teams of 5). The top 5 All Around ranked athletes will comprise the first Elite 3 Team and the 6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> All Around ranked athletes will comprise the second Elite 3 Team. The ranked order of each team member will be used in determining the team coaches. Every effort will be made to ensure all personal coaches are able to attend with GBC funding. Additional Elite 3 athletes may be added as independents if there is room available once the final registration is known from all provinces. An independent athlete's coach would have to travel self-funded, unless he was already named as a coach for another category.

Elite 4 – Each province is eligible to send up to 10 Elite 4 athletes to Westerns (two teams of 5). The top 5 All Around ranked athletes will comprise the first Elite 4 Team and the 6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> All Around ranked athletes will comprise the second Elite 4 Team. The ranked order of each team member will be used in determining the team coaches. Every effort will be made to ensure all personal coaches are able to attend with GBC funding. Additional Elite 4 athletes may be added as independents if there is room available once the final registration is known from all provinces. An independent athlete's coach would have to travel self-funded, unless he was already named as a coach for another category.

Provincial 4 – The age category will be 11 plus years old (born in 2010 and before). Each province is eligible to send up to 10 Provincial 4 athletes to Westerns (two teams of 5). The Team format will be 5-5-3. The top 5 All Around ranked athletes will comprise the first Provincial 4 Team and the 6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> All Around ranked athletes will comprise the second Provincial 4 Team. The top three U13 All Around ranked athletes will be selected first to the group of 10. The pure AA rankings will be used to determine the two 5-man teams (1-5 Team A, 6-10 Team B). The ranked order of each team member will be used in determining the team coaches.

Provincial 5 – The category will be for athletes born in the years 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007. Boys in the Junior category (14 – 15 age) are eligible to compete at Westerns in the Provincial 5 category (2006 + 2007). **As the rules are different between Provincial 5 and Junior, the Junior 14-15 athlete MUST be registered as Provincial 5 athletes for the Westerns Trials event.** Provincial 5 Athletes may turn 17 in the year of competition. Each province is eligible to send up to 10 Provincial 5/Jr athletes to Westerns (two teams of 5). The Team format will be 5-5-3. The top 5 All Around ranked athletes will comprise the first Provincial 5 Team and the 6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> All Around ranked Provincial 5 athletes will comprise the second team. The ranked order of each team member will be used in determining the team coaches.

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Event Date – The Western Canadian Championships will tentatively take place, virtually, from April 22 – May 2, 2021, inclusive. As the event will take place virtually, all athletes, coaches and judges will stay at home.

Training Camp – As this is a virtual event, there will be no Team BC training camp and the order of competition, if necessary, will be set based on the results of the trial event.

### **2021 Canadian Championships (CC) – Location TBD**

**\*\* NOTE: With an understanding that Canadian Championships 2021 could be moved to a later date, by GymCan, the Men's Technical Committee has discussed and agreed to consider altering the CC21 qualifying standards:**

- **If CC21 does not change dates, or does within a reasonable time frame (spring 2021), the qualifying standards and team selection process will remain unchanged.**
- **If CC21 significantly changes dates (summer/fall 2021) the qualifying standards and team selection process may add an additional qualification event, closer to CC21.**

**The Technical Committee acknowledges the work and dedication athletes, coaches, and clubs have put into the qualification process and do not want to dismiss these efforts. The additional selection event will be used to fill Team BC positions that are vacant, due to athlete retirements, injuries, category changes, etc.**

Opening Remark:

1. The Men's Technical Committee feels it is important for BC to be represented by a team in all categories offering a team competition. This means BC will send at least enough athletes to be a part of the team competitions, for all categories, provided minimum standards, as set out below, have been met.
2. Once teams have been named, if there is a need for a second coach from one club to attend CC then an application must be made to the MTC. The decision will be made by the MTC Chairman and the Technical Director, in consultation with the Provincial Coach.

There will be three trial opportunities for qualification to CC:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Trials take place during the Surrey Invitational, virtually (March 5-7)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Trials take place during the Twisters Invitational, virtually (March 19-21)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Trials take place during the BC Championships, virtually (April 2-5)

In order to qualify for Team BC an athlete must have a minimum of one score from the first or second trials **and** a score from BC Championships. If an athlete does not compete at BC Championships due to injury they need to provide a medical note to the MTC for team placement consideration. If there is a score from BC Championships, but no score from any of the other two trials, medical notes (copy) must also be provided to the MTC for keeping their qualification potential alive.

The categories included at the 2021 Canadians are **National Open, Junior (14-15 / 16-18)** and **Senior (18-20 / 21+)**.

National Open – Athletes born in 2006 and older are eligible for this category. Up to 8 athletes will be eligible to represent BC.

Elite Pathways – All athletes meeting the GymCan age requirements and GBC qualifying standards will be eligible to represent BC.

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### National Open Qualifying Rules

- The best score from the first two trials will count 40% and BC Champs will count 60%.
- The 40% / 60% combined scores from the three trial opportunities will be used to rank the athletes onto the team (40% from the best score of the Surrey Classic or Twisters Invitational, and 60% from BC Championships)
- The top 5 ranked All Around athletes will be sent as a team, ensuring team representation and result potential for BC (67.00 will be the lowest All-Around score for Tier 3 funding). The next 3 athletes (6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> + 8<sup>th</sup>) will be selected to the team based on their overall contributing score from BC Championships to the Team Score (67.00 AA for Tier 3 funding, otherwise Tier 4 funding).
- Following the contributing score analysis, if there are any spots remaining they will be filled by the next top athletes on the 40-60 ranking list.
- National Open athletes named to the CC Team should expect to compete on a minimum of two events but should continue to train for All Around competition.
- Based on the results from the final team selection and the shown preparedness at the CC Preparation Camp, the team coaches will have the authority to re-configure the individual apparatus being competed for each athlete. The team coaches may choose to consult with the personal coaches.
- There will be **NO personal petitions** for athletes that do not meet the GBC Tier 3 funding score.

### Elite Pathways Qualifying Rules

- In order to be considered for GBC funding the following scores must be met or surpassed:
 

Junior 14 – 15	= 65.00 All Around (1.0 higher than GCG score)
Junior 16 – 18	= 67.00 All Around (1.0 higher than GCG score)
Senior Next Gen	= 72.00 All Around or 12.0 per apparatus
Senior	= 75.00 All Around or 12.5 per apparatus
- In order to travel self-funded, the following scores must be met or surpassed:
 

Junior 14 – 15	= 64.00 All Around (1.0 higher than GCG score)
Junior 16 – 18	= 66.00 All Around (1.0 higher than GCG score)
Senior Next Gen	= 70.00 All Around or 11.7 per apparatus
Senior	= 72.00 All Around or 12.0 per apparatus
- Junior + Senior athletes who are named to the Gymnastics Canada National Team will automatically qualify to represent BC at the CC, provided they are competing in the same category, at both competitions.
- For GBC funding, junior athletes must meet the minimum optional score, listed above, at one of the qualifying opportunities (Elite Canada GymCan Technical Trial, Surrey Invitational, Twisters Invitational, or BC Championships). Funding will be based on 1) National Team status, 2) Optional score is next Tier, and 3) self-funded for meeting the GymCan standard but not the GBC minimum score.
- Senior athletes attempting to qualify as Apparatus Specialists can use any of the Trial Events. Each apparatus will be considered on a stand-alone basis at each trial competition.
- All Junior and Senior athletes must meet the funding score, at one of the Team BC Trial or GymCan listed events, to be considered for GBC funding.
- There will be **NO petitions** for athletes that do not meet the GymCan recommended scores.
- Athletes included on the GymCan National Team will be given Team BC qualifying exemption, if unavailable for all of the Team BC qualifying competitions, due to National Team commitments.

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- **ALL** athletes are expected to participate at BC Championships in order to be considered for GBC funding to Canadian Championships. (Competing, judging, coaching, demonstrating, etc.)
- All Athletes' Team BC Ranking will be considered when decisions on funding amounts are calculated.

**Event Dates** – The CC location and date is yet to be determined. All qualifying athletes and named coaches and judges must be available for the duration of the event, as determined by GBC. (The only exception to be made will be for Grade 12 graduation ceremonies. If this is the case, please let GBC know, a.s.a.p.).

**Training Camp** – The Team BC CC training camp date is to be determined. The location will be at one of the clubs in Zone 3, 4 or 5. The camp will be planned as a one-day camp. This training camp will be mandatory for all travelling team members (athletes, coaches, GBC funded judges and support staff), unless otherwise arranged.