



## **2019 Selection Process and Criteria National Team Program Youth Women & Youth Men**

The purpose of the program is to identify, select and train a group of young athletes who have future Senior National Team potential and offer them the opportunity to train and represent Canada in international competition at an earlier age.

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The following is an explanation of the practical evaluation criterion used during the selection process. Objective and subjective criteria will be collected through both Provincial Association reports and event/tournament observations. See Appendix A for detailed criteria.

### **CRITERIA**

1. Physical Attributes
2. Skills and Tactical Assessment
3. Character Attributes

### **SELECTION PROCESS**

#### Authority for Selection

1. The Board of Directors of Volleyball Canada has delegated the authority for all decision-making under this Policy to the Team Canada YNT Program Selection Committee.

#### Number of Positions Available

2. The number of spots available in a program is dependent on each program as well as the determined level of the athlete pool. Athletes will be selected to a National program based on their individual birth year and the available age categories offered.

#### Athlete Eligibility

3. To be eligible for a position with the Team Canada YNT program an athlete must:
  - a. Be a member in good standing with your provincial association
  - b. Be a Canadian citizen and have a valid Canadian passport

#### Selection Process

4. The Selection Committee will oversee tryout procedures and determine at its sole discretion the recipient(s) who will be offered a position in the program.
5. In the event that an athlete decides not to accept a spot in the program, the Selection Committee will select the next athlete on the waitlist.
6. Members of the Selection Committee are required to remove themselves from any discussions, ranking and voting if there exists a conflict of interest.



## APPENDIX A Selection Criteria

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### PHYSICAL ATTRIBUTES

Physical Testing will be provided to the selection committee. Tests will include:

- Height
- Spike & Block Touch
- Serve & Attack Velocity
- Pro Agility

### SKILLS AND TACTICS ASSESSMENT

The Selection Committee will assess each of the basic skills, as well as tactical choices throughout all tournament play. In addition to the basic skills, tactical (decision-making) assessments will be evaluated.

### CHARACTER ATTRIBUTES

The Selection Committee will assess, during tournament play, each of the attributes Volleyball Canada considers desirable:

- **Strong Work Ethic:** Demonstrates consistent and concerted effort which is not conditional on the environment, coach or teammates
- **Responsible:** Accepts accountability for ones actions. Demonstrates an ability to self-direct and does not rely on others for support or guidance.
- **Focused:** Demonstrates an ability to remain fully concentrated and is not easily distracted.
- **Strong Leadership:** Demonstrates the ability to inspire confidence and influence their team toward the achievement of collective goals. Athlete leads by example in training, in setup, and in competition.
- **Positive Attitude:** The athlete consistently expects the best possible outcome from any given situation.
- **Effective Communication:** Is able to clearly and effectively communicate with teammates during rallies, timeouts, and other necessary situations to promote success.
- **Coachable:** Demonstrates the willingness and ability to communicate with coaches, adapt to new techniques and tactics, receive and understand feedback.