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Update history

Dec 5, 2016: Initial version 2017/2018.

Jan 28, 2017: Final selection races for WOC decided.

Feb 20, 2017: The following changes were done for consistency with the policy that was in place at the NAOC2016.

- Eric Kemp added as preliminary selected for the WOC Long based on being top Canadian at NAOC2016 Long.
- Men's relay: Damian Konotopetz and Eric Kemp are selected. Third runner to be selected at final selection races.
- Preliminary Selection reinstated for Middle and Long for WOC 2017 on page 9.
- Preliminary Selection reinstated for WOC Middle/Long on page 12

Mar 1, 2017:

- World Games Team announced: Emily Kemp, Louise Oram, Will Critchley, Damian Konotopetz.
- Declaration of intent for WOC before Final Selection races, deadline changed from Mar 31 to April 15, 2017.

Summary of 2017 Selection (as of Nov 2016)

It is required to be an HPP member to be selected to any of these events. This is to ensure all athletes are training on a regular basis with a long-term approach according to their training plan, to ensure all athletes have agreed to the Athlete Code of Conduct, Anti-doping rules, and have provided athlete profiles and contribute to Team Canada, and to reflect the work required by Orienteering Canada and the HPC in administering team selection, registration and management at these events.

WOC 2017 Team Selection

- *Pre-selection* is based on results at WOC 2016 - a top-40 result in the Middle or Long final automatically qualifies for the same final at WOC 2017.
- *Preliminary selection* is based on results at NAOC 2016 - Top Canadian man & woman in the NAOC Sprint, Middle, and Long automatically qualifies for the corresponding race at WOC 2017. *Note that this can be a personal or National spot.*
- *Final Selection* races will be held April 28-30 in Minnesota, see www.mnoc.org for details.

Here is a recap of the current status of WOC 2017 Selections:

- Regional Champions - from the NAOC 2016 there are personal spots awarded to Regional Champions in Middle and Long for the WOC 2017.
 - Emily Kemp won personal spots in both the Middle and Long
 - Damian Konotopetz won a personal spot in the Middle
- Women's Middle: Louise Oram is pre-selected, based on top-40 performance at WOC 2016. Emily Kemp earned a personal spot as NAOC 2016 champion. One further Canadian spot is open for selection.
- Women's Long: Louise Oram is pre-selected based on top-40 performance at WOC 2016. Emily Kemp earned a personal spot as NAOC 2016 champion. One further Canadian spot is open for selection.
- Women's Relay: Emily & Louise are pre-selected. Third runner to be selected at Final selection.
- Women's Sprint Qualification: Emily Kemp won a position based on being Top Canadian in the NAOC 2016 sprint. The two other runners will be selected at Final selection races.
- Men's Middle: Damian Konotopetz earned a personal spot as NAOC 2016 champion. Canada's national spot will be decided at the Final selection races.
- Men's Long: Eric Kemp won the spot based on being top Canadian in the NAOC 2016 Long.
- Men's Relay: Damian Konotopetz and Eric Kemp are preliminary selected, the third runner to be selected at the Final selection races.
- Men's Sprint Qualification – Damian Konotopetz won a position based on being Top Canadian in the NAOC 2016 sprint. The two other runners will be selected at Final selection races.
- Sprint Relay - The WOC Team Coach and the Selection Committee will use discretion to choose the team of four runners (2 men, 2 women) to represent Canada in the Sprint Relay.

World Cup 2017

Athletes who wish to participate in World Cup races must notify Orienteering Canada (hpp@orienteering.ca) at least two weeks before the preliminary registration deadline of the event. Should there be more qualified applicants than positions available, the selection committee will make a discretionary team selection.

World Games 2017

The World Games is July 25-27 2017 in Poland. Canada have been awarded 2 Women and 2 Men starts based on being the top nation in the North-American region. The races are individual Sprint and

Middle, and a Team Sprint-Relay. The entries (including the names of the athletes) are due March 31, 2017 which is too early for selection races so the selection needs to be based on 2016 results, mainly WOC, the NAOC 2016 Middle and Sprint, and the 2016 WOC selection races.

2017/2018 Selection Policy for WOC, World Cups, WUOC, World Games

Introduction

- This document describes the team selection policy for the national teams to represent Canada at World Orienteering Championships (WOC), World Cups (WCup), World University Orienteering Championships (WUOC), and World Games (WG).

Definitions

- *High Performance Committee (HPC)*
Orienteering Canada has formed a High Performance Committee (HPC) and delegates to the HPC all elite orienteering programming, including team selection.
- *Policy Committee (PC)*
The HPC has recruited a Policy Committee to develop the selection policy for WOC, WCup, WUOC, WG team selections. This is: Wil Smith, Magali Robert, Ted de St Croix, Stefan Bergstrom (chair). Former members include: Mike Waddington, Brian May, Adrian Zissos.
- *Selection Committee (SC)*
The HPC has recruited a Selection Committee to implement the selection policy for WOC, WCup, WUOC, WG team selections. The selection committee is comprised of Wil Smith, Magali Robert, Ted de St Croix. Additional committee members may be added by the HPC.
- *WOC Team Coach*
The WOC Team Coach will be chosen from amongst the HPP Regional Coaches. If the position can not be filled by one of these coaches, the HPC will attempt to recruit another suitable coach. The WOC Team Coach will attend WOC and help in advance with race preparation.

Goals

- The HPC uses a policy in which selection is targeted at achieving certain short and long term program objectives, including:
 - Motivate and encourage elite Canadian orienteers
 - Help develop athletes who show potential for future excellence
 - Improve Canada's position in the IOF nations ranking year over year.
 - Earn the most possible places in IOF races by:
 - improving Canada's IOF national ranking - to earn maximum start positions in the WOC Middle & Long finals
 - consistently being the highest ranked nation in North America - to earn start positions in the World Games
 - winning individual races at NAOC - to earn personal places in WOC Middle & Long finals
 - Meet the Sport Canada-related target of consistently achieving some top 16* results in WOC finals, including relays (* Or top half if less than 32 entrants).

Development and approval of team selection policy

Orienteering Canada's team selection policy is created by the Policy Committee, which is a subcommittee of Orienteering Canada's High Performance Committee. The policy is reviewed and approved by the High Performance Committee.

Policy Committee General Comments

- Regarding WOC Team Selection: Given the changes in WOC format in 2014, Orienteering Canada must select fewer athletes directly to finals rather than selecting more athletes into qualification races. Therefore it makes sense to have selections that are less discretionary and more directly based on results at a Trials event, similar to the previous WOC qualification/final model.
- Discretionary selection has considerable advantages, however practical considerations (eg: lack of volunteer resources, lack of suitable selection races) argue in favour of simpler selection policy.
- Head to head racing will be a critical factor in selection, so athletes will be expected to travel to selection races. In future, the Canadian Championships and the North American Regional Championships will be key races for selection.
- The Policy Committee feels that the selection policy should be established for the upcoming two seasons at least, so that races in the current season can be used for selection for races in the following season and to facilitate athletes' long term planning.

Eligibility

For selection to all the International events listed in this selection policy document the following applies:

- **Athletes must be a member of the HPP.**
- Athletes must be in good standing with Orienteering Canada, in that they are full members of a Canadian orienteering club affiliated with Orienteering Canada and have no outstanding amounts owing to Orienteering Canada (unless a payment plan has been negotiated with the Orienteering Canada Treasurer).
- Athletes must meet IOF eligibility requirements, including having "full passport-holding citizenship" of Canada.

Exceptions

If unforeseen circumstances arise which do not allow for this selection process or its timelines to be implemented as planned (such as a voided selection race), or if the policy does not adequately address a particular situation, then the Selection Committee reserves the right to identify an alternate process or alternate timelines. Should this occur, all eligible athletes will be notified of these changes in a timely manner.

Alternates

The Selection Committee will use discretion to choose alternates, considering performance in the selection races, performance in recent major events (eg: 2016 NAOC), WRE score, future potential. The alternates may or may not be athletes selected to run in other WOC races.

Use of Alternates

In the event a selected runner is unable to start a race, the WOC Team Coach in consultation with the Selection Committee will make a decision about which runner to replace them with. The coach may pick any of the other selected runners or the designated alternates.

Removal from the Team

Once selected to the WOC team, an athlete may withdraw or be withdrawn for the following reasons:

- A. Failure to satisfy minimum training standards;
- B. Failure to adhere to team rules and Orienteering Canada's Code of Conduct and policies;
- C. Failure to remain competition-ready leading up to the event. Athletes who do not remain competition-ready by reason of lack of fitness, injury or illness may be removed from the team. It is the obligation of the athlete to immediately report any injury, illness or change in training that could affect their ability to compete at their highest level.
- D. Voluntary withdrawal/retirement;
- E. Fraudulent misrepresentation.

Where an athlete is unable to meet training standards, competition readiness, violates team rules or the code of conduct or provides fraudulent misrepresentations, the Selection Committee will have the discretion to remove the athlete from the team, provided the athlete is given an opportunity to be heard, and to replace the athlete with another suitable candidate.

The Selection Committee will notify the athlete in writing that they have been removed from the team and reasons for the removal.

Funding

Any money required to be contributed by the athlete must be paid to Orienteering Canada as requested. Failure to pay such monies may result in the athlete's removal from the Team.

Petitions

The selection process is heavily weighted to objective results in mandatory selection races. Therefore petitions will be accepted only in exceptional circumstances such as when illness, injury, other medical circumstance or personal commitments result in absence or underperformance in a selection race. Petitions must include documentation of the cause for absence or underperformance in a selection race (such as a letter from a doctor) and evidence of other results which are clearly strong enough to overturn the results of the selection races (such as previous excellent performance at World Championships). Petitions must be submitted by the end of the day of the final selection race.

Appeals

Any appeal against a decision of the Selection Committee can be made in accordance with Orienteering Canada's appeals policy. In particular, if the Team Selection announcement is made after May 15, 2017 then the appeal deadline is 24 hours after the announcement.

Team Officials

Orienteering Canada will recruit a Team Leader and a Team Coach for the WOC. The athletes will be expected to work together with these officials and with each other to handle registration and arrange for transportation, accommodation and other logistics.

The World Cup and World Games team at events other than the World Championships will be expected to work together to recruit a team leader and team coach if necessary, and arrange for transportation, accommodation and other logistics.

2017 World Orienteering Championships (WOC)

June 30 - July 7, Tartu, Estonia

www.woc2017.ee

WOC 2017 Schedule

2016													
WOC 2016 <i>Pre Selection</i>	<p>Strömstad, Sweden</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any Canadian athletes achieving a top-40 result in an individual final at WOC 2016 will be pre-selected to the WOC 2017 team to run in the corresponding race. 												
North-American Championships <i>Preliminary selection</i>	<p>NAOC 2016, Hanover, NH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For all individual events in which there is at least one open position following pre-selection: the Top Canadian in Sprint, Middle, and Long will earn preliminary selection to the WOC 2017 team. <p><i>Note that this might be a personal position (should Top Canadian also be Regional Champion) or a national position.</i></p>												
2017													
Spring 2017 <i>Final selection</i>	<p>The Final selection races will be April 28-30, 2017 in Minnesota. The same races that will be used for the USA team selection. These races were selected based on the dates, ease of travel, relevance of terrain and best available competition. For race details see www.mnoc.org</p>												
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WOC National Spots

Sprint Relay & "Forest" Relay: Each nation is given one entry.

Sprint: Each nation is given three spots in the Sprint Qualification races

Middle & Long: WOC qualification for Middle & Long is based on national ranking system in which the top eight nations in the world form the first division and get three starting spots each, nations 9-22 get two spots, and nations 23 and lower get one spot. All nations are thus guaranteed at least one starting place in the Middle and Long finals. The countries are ranked separately for men and women on the basis of the results in the Long, Middle, and Relay competitions in the past two WOCs. At the end of each year, the nations move between the divisions based on the points from the two previous years.

IOF's Special Rules: Qualification for WOC Long and Middle distance competitions

http://orienteering.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/12/Qualification-for-WOC-Long-and-Middle-distance-competitions_Special-Rules.pdf

National spots for Canada at WOC 2017:

In 2017 Canadian men are in Division 3, and Canadian women are in Division 2.

Sprint Relay 2 men, 2 women

Sprint Q/F 3 men, 3 women

Middle 1 man, 2 women

Relay 3 men, 3 women

Long 1 man, 2 women

WOC Personal Spots

In addition to Canada's *national* spots, if the North American regional championships were held within the previous year then the IOF awards *personal* spots to the current North American regional champions (male and female) in the Middle and Long distance races, and they will be given an automatic entry into the corresponding WOC final so long as the athletes are selected by their national federation. These spots are not transferable to other athletes.

For WOC 2017 Emily Kemp has earned personal spots in both the Middle and Long events and Damian Konotopetz has earned a personal spot in the Middle as reigning North-American Champions.

WOC 2017 Selection Policy Overview

The WOC 2017 selection will be made as follows:

- Pre-selection: Exceptional performance at previous WOC will be used to pre-select athletes who have proven themselves able to perform at a very high level. A top-40 result in an individual race in WOC 2016 will guarantee selection for that race at WOC 2017.
- Preliminary Selection: The *Top Canadian* in the Sprint, Middle and Long at the 2016 North-American races will automatically earn a spot in the corresponding race at WOC 2017 according to the Selection Process described later in this document.
- Final Selection: The final selection races will be used to fill all remaining places on the Canadian team, including replacing any athlete who was previously selected to run but is unable to due to injury or other circumstance.

The Final selection races will be April 28-30, 2017 in Minnesota, the same races that will be used by the USA team selection. These races were selected based on the dates, ease of travel, relevance of terrain and best available competition. For race details see www.mnoc.org

Eligibility / HPP Membership

- **It is required to be a member of the HPP to be selected to the Canadian WOC team.**
- Competitors must meet IOF eligibility requirements, including having “full passport-holding citizenship” of Canada.

Declaration of intent

- Personal spot: a declaration of intent **is not** required.
- National spot (Pre-selection): a declaration of intent **is not** required.
- National spot (Preliminary & Final selection): a declaration of intent **is** required.
- In order to win a National spot at a preliminary or final selection race, athletes must submit a Declaration of Intent by April 15, 2017.
- There are several reasons for the Declaration of Intent requirement, one of the main ones being so that athletes know the selection outcome immediately following the race (for example, a selection race may be won by a Canadian orienteer who has no intention of going to WOC).
- The declaration must be submitted by email to Orienteering Canada (hpp@orienteering.ca). The email should simply identify which WOC races the athlete wishes to be considered for and which they don't. Please list all events so that there is no ambiguity. For example:
 - Sprint relay - yes
 - Sprint - no
 - Middle - yes
 - Relay - yes
 - Long - yes

“Top Canadian”

To clarify, *Top Canadian* in the context of this Selection Policy means the highest placing Canadian in M/W21 who meets the eligibility requirements and who has submitted a Declaration of Intent. In the case of the Sprint race, and any other race in which the M20 class runs the same course as M21E and / or the W20 class runs the same course as W21E, then *Top Canadian* will be highest placed Canadian

in the combined results from those two categories who meets the eligibility requirements and who has submitted a Declaration of Intent prior to the race.

WOC Middle / Long Selection Policy

Pre-Selection:

A top-40 result at 2016 will trigger automatic pre-selection. The pre-selection criterion was met by Emily Kemp and Louise Oram in both the Long and Middle races. As Emily also has personal spots as Regional Champion in both events there is one open start position in both events that will be contested in the selection races.

No men met the top-40 criterion at WOC 2016, so none will be pre-selected for WOC.

Preliminary selection:

For all individual events in which there is at least one open position following pre-selection: the Top Canadian at the NAOC2016 Sprint, Middle, and Long will earn preliminary selection in the corresponding race at 2017 WOC.

Note that this might be a personal position (should Top Canadian also be Regional Champion) or a national position.

Final Selection:

A series of final selection races will be specified by early 2017, including one Middle, one Long, and one or two Sprint races. Selection for all remaining National spots will be made at the Final selection event, as follows:

- *Men's Middle: If necessary, the top Canadian in the men's Middle distance race will be selected.*
- *Men's Long: If necessary, the top Canadian in the men's Long distance race will be selected.*
- *Women's Middle: If necessary, the top 1 or top 2 Canadian women in the women's Middle distance selection race will be selected.*
- *Women's Long: If necessary, the top 1 or top 2 Canadian women in the women's Long distance selection race will be selected.*
- *Men's Middle/Long: If the same man wins both National spots in the Middle and Long (using results from Preliminary and/or Final selections), then that individual will be given the choice to run one race at WOC, but not both. The vacated spot will be filled by the next fastest Canadian in the relevant Final selection race.*

WOC Relay Selection Policy

- The men and women selected to run Middle/Long at WOC are automatically selected to the Relay.
- As required, additional men and women will be selected based on best overall placing in the Final selection Middle and Long races, using a points system that weights Middle and Long results equally.
 - $\text{Score} = (\text{Winning Time}) / (\text{Racer's Time}) \times 100$
 - This is basically a % of the winner's speed ... 100 if you win, 90 if you are travelling 90% as fast around the course.
 - The "winner" is considered to be the fastest runner of the appropriate gender on the course, regardless of age or nationality
 - Highest combined score (Middle score + Long score) wins. If a tie, then highest score in the Long distance race will be the deciding factor.
- An unlikely situation may occur in which more than three different Canadian runners run in

the Middle and Long WOC finals. In this case the relay team will be chosen from those runners by the discretion of the WOC Team Coach and the Selection Committee using primarily the performances in the WOC Middle & Long races.

- The Relay Team's running order is determined by the Team Coach

WOC Sprint and Sprint Relay Selection Policy

Pre-Selection:

No man or woman satisfied the top-40 place criterion for pre-selection in the WOC 2016 Sprint. Thus, there will be no pre-selection to the team for the individual Sprint event at WOC 2017.

Preliminary Selection:

One male and one female runner will be selected at the NAOC 2016 Sprint race as follows:

- *Men's Sprint: The Top Canadian will be selected (Damian Konotopetz)*
- *Women's Sprint: The Top Canadian will be selected (Emily Kemp).*

Final Selection:

- All remaining spots for the WOC Sprint Qualification race will be selected at the Final Selection sprint races.
- If possible, two sprint races will be used for Final Selection. This will depend on finding a suitable second sprint race. Athletes should be prepared to run a second sprint selection race, which may be announced as late as one month before the first Final selection sprint race.
- If there are two final sprint selection races, each race winner will earn a spot in the WOC Sprint races. If the same athlete wins more than once in the Preliminary and Final selection races, then additional runners will be chosen based on their overall Final selection two-race score.
 - In each race points will be awarded using the same scoring system as for Relay selection (percentage-behind-winner).
 - The total score over the two races will count. If a tie, then the highest score in the first Final selection sprint race will be the deciding factor.
- If we cannot arrange for a second Final selection sprint race then all remaining positions will be selected based on the results of first Final selection sprint race.
- The WOC Team Coach and the Selection Committee will use discretion to choose the team of four runners (2 men, 2 women) to represent Canada in the Sprint-Relay using primarily results from the Final selection sprint races. The Sprint-Relay Team's running order is determined by the Team Coach.

Selection Timeline

Step 1. Pre-selection races

- WOC 2016

Step 2. Preliminary selection races

- NAOC 2016.

Step 3. First Notification - deadline Dec 15, 2016

- Any athlete selected in the pre-selection or preliminary selection races will be notified by the Selection Committee.

Step 4. First Acceptance - deadline Jan 15, 2017

- Athletes must respond to the First Notification to confirm their intent to compete at WOC 2016 in those disciplines. If they do not confirm by the deadline, or if they decline the race, then these positions will become available to general selection.

Step 5. Declaration of Intent – deadline April 15, 2017.

- In order to be eligible for Final selection athletes must submit a *Declaration of Intent*.

Step 6. Review of Intention - deadline April 15, 2017

- The Selection Committee will review all athletes' *Declaration of Intent*.
- Should there be **fewer** qualified applicants than positions available in any race at WOC 2017, the Selection Committee may ask the HPC to recruit certain athletes for the available positions in those races. Additionally, the Selection Committee may make a discretionary selection for those races only.
- An announcement will be made by the Selection Committee listing:
 - all race positions that have already been filled
 - all race positions that are being contested
 - all race positions that are unfilled (i.e. not already filled, nor being contested)

Step 7. Final Selection races

- All athletes not already selected who would like to race at WOC 2017 must attend these selection races.
- Athletes must handle all logistics including registration, accommodation, transport.

Step 8. Team Selection announcement - This deadline will be confirmed when the selection races are confirmed

- The results of the Selection races will be tallied, and the Canadian WOC team will be announced by email on or before the deadline.
- The Selection Committee may fill any unfilled positions using their discretion, based on
 - Results in the selection races
 - Results in other events 2017 (International Events, Canada Cups, US National Events)
 - Results in the 2016 season (Canada Cups, US National Events, WOC, International Events).
 - Training dedication, as documented in training logs.

- Long-term potential (e.g., preference given to younger athletes in the appropriate LTAD stage in case other selection factors are comparable).

Step 9. Athlete Confirmation – This deadline will be confirmed when the selection races are confirmed

In order to confirm their place on the WOC team, each athlete must provide:

- Email confirmation to hpp@orienteering.ca that the athlete accepts a spot on the team
- Fulfill any outstanding requirements for HPP membership.

2018 World Orienteering Championships (WOC)

4-11 Aug, Latvia

<http://woc2018.lv>

Overview

It is likely that Canadian men will remain in Division 3 and Canadian women in Division 2. Therefore it is expected that the *national positions* for Canada will be unchanged from previous years:

Middle & Long	1 man, 2 women
Relay	3 men, 3 women
Sprint Q/F	3 men, 3 women
Sprint Relay	2 men, 2 women

The 2017 Canadian Orienteering Championships has been chosen as the preliminary selection event
www.COC2017.ca

2017 WOC Pre-selection	Women: Top-40 in Individual Final will trigger pre-selection Men: Top-40 in Individual Final will trigger pre-selection
2017 COC Aug 3-6 Preliminary selection	<u>For all individual events in which there is at least one open position following pre-selection:</u> the Top Canadian in Sprint, Middle, and Long at the COC 2017 will earn preliminary selection in the corresponding race at the WOC 2018.
Final selection	Final selection races will be announced by early 2018.

2017 World Cup (WCup)

The World Cup in 2017 will consist of about twelve competitions held in four “rounds”. The World Cup programme includes Sprint Relay, and includes races in Finland, the World Orienteering Championships in Estonia, Latvia, and the World Cup Final races in Switzerland. Full details is available on the IOF website.

- Round 1** Finland, May 25-28
- Round 2** WOC, Estonia, June 30 - July 7
- Round 3** Latvia, Aug 25 - 27
- Round 4** World Cup Final, Switzerland Sep 29 - Oct 1

Team Size

At each World Cup race the number of competitors per Federation is limited according to annually published quotas based on the IOF World Rankings.

The World Cup 2017 Special Rules are available here

<http://orienteering.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/12/World-Cup-2017-special-rules-1.pdf>

WCup 2017 Selection Policy

Selection for Round 2 (the WOC events) are as per WOC 2017 Team Selection as described in this document. For all other events the following policy applies:

Athletes who wish to participate in World Cup races have to notify Orienteering Canada (hpp@orienteering.ca) at least two weeks before the preliminary registration deadline of the event. Note that some of these events have very early registration deadlines!

The Selection Committee will make a discretionary decision about whether the athletes are qualified to represent Canada at a World Cup based on historical results. Should there be more qualified applicants than positions available, the selection committee will make a discretionary team selection, based on previous results, but may give extra priority to younger developing athletes. The selection committee will allocate races based on communication with the athletes and on the committee’s discretion. When analyzing results, the selection committee considers factors such as placing, time behind the winner, time per kilometre (tpk), strength of field, relevancy of terrain, types of errors made, etc.

The final selection for each World Cup will be announced prior to the Final Registration deadline.

Team Officials

Orienteering Canada will complete the registration process for these events. The World Cup team at each event other than the World Champs will be expected to work together to recruit a team leader and team coach if necessary, and arrange for transportation, accommodation and other logistics. At the World Champs (Round 2) team officials will be as described in the World Championships section of this policy.

2017 World Games (WG)

July 25-27, 2017, Wroclaw, Poland

<http://eventor.orienteering.org/Events/Show/5110>

<http://theworldgames2017.com/en/>

Overview

The World Games are held every four years.

In 2017 the following races will be part of the World Games:

- July 25 - Sprint
- July 26 - Middle
- July 27 - Sprint Relay

Allocation of start positions

The IOF allocates start positions at their discretion. There are start positions for 40 men and 40 women.

Canada has been awarded the 2+2 spots for the North-American Region based on results from WOC and NAOC 2016. This allows for a full Canadian Sprint-relay team (2 men + 2 women).

Due to the early entry deadline (31-Mar 2017) the Canadian Team will be selected from 2016 results at WOC, NAOC, and the WOC selection races.

- January 31, 2017 - selected athletes and alternates will be informed of their selection
- February 10, 2017 - selected athletes must confirm acceptance of their spot. Alternates will be notified if any athletes decline their selection.
- February 20, 2017 - team is publicly announced

Link to information about entry allocation and race details for 2017 World Games:

eventor.orienteering.org/Events/Show/5110

Entry allocation rules for 2017 World Games:

orienteering.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/12/The-World-Games-2017-Qualification-Rules.pdf

2018 World University Orienteering Championships (WUOC)

17-21 July 2018, Finland

Overview

WUOC is a bi-annual event (taking place in even-numbered years). It is one of the more than thirty-two World University Championships, which are organized under the sanctioning of FISU (international University Sports Federation). WUOC is considered an important development opportunity for Canadian Elite orienteers.

Eligibility for WUOC

In addition to the Eligibility requirements listed in the policy section of this document the athletes wishing to be selected for WUOC must

- Be a student currently officially registered as proceeding towards a degree or diploma at a University or similar institute whose status is recognized by the appropriate national academic authority of their country, or former students who have obtained their academic degree or diploma in the year 2017.
- Be aged 17-28 on Jan 1, 2018.
- Meet other eligibility requirement set out by Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS/SIC) and FISU.

Team Size

Max 6 men, 6 women

Long 4 men, 4 women

Middle 4 men, 4 women

Sprint 4 men, 4 women

Relay 2 men's team (3 legs), 2 women's team (3 legs)

Sprint Relay 1 team (2 men, 2 women)

Selection

To be specified in 2017.