



**Yukon Amateur Hockey Association  
Canada Winter Games 2011  
Team Yukon Female Selection Criteria**

**To Parents and Players:**

Yukon Amateur Hockey Association in conjunction with our Canada Winter Games Coaches, have developed a Team Selection Process and Plan to assist Team Yukon, it's coaches and players, to better prepare for the Canada Winter Games to be held in Halifax Nova Scotia February 11-27, 2011.

This competition will see the best female and male hockey players in Canada play against one another. Many of these players will go onto be stars in the NHL or play with the Canadian Women's National Team. Players who competed in the last Canada winter games: Steve Stamkos (Tampa Bay Lightning), Mat Duchene ( Colorado Rockies) and Tyler Myers (Buffalo Sabres). Marie Philip-Poulin (Canadian National Women's Team). The most notable graduate of the Canada Winter Games (2003) is Sidney Crosby.

It is hoped that this notice, provides players and parents with a better insight into this process.

**Eligibility:**

See attached appendix A from 2011 CWG Technical package.

Team groupings are ...

**Female      born 1993-1998**

The team will consist of a maximum 20 players including goalies. Teams may have less than 20 players based on team needs.

It will be expected of you to participate in all training programs as a member of Team Yukon which will be outlined upon team selection. Other training, practices, games and tournaments will be implemented within the training program prior to final team selection as part of team selection and team building.

**Selection Process:**

### ***Identification Camps***

As part of the Team Yukon Selection Process, Identification Camps will be scheduled for April 2010. Team Trials will be scheduled in August and/or September 2010 (exact dates to be confirmed and advertised at a later date pending ice availability). The purpose of the ID Camps, are to identify those eligible players as a starting point in the development of a training program for those athletes for the summer 2010. After the Team Trials (August and/or September), a Training Squad of 25 or less will be selected for the team. The Training Squad will continue to train as a squad until final team selection. The final roster for the female team will be in October 2010.

### ***Selection Criteria:***

The team will be chosen by the team coaches and three independent evaluators approved by the Yukon Amateur Hockey Association executive. Where a coach or evaluator may have a conflict of interest with a player, he/she will not provide input on such player.

The evaluation team will designate a spokesperson, Evaluation Team Spokesperson, to deal with all inquiries by parents, players and officials regarding the evaluation results and process.

The Evaluation Team will select the team based on the best player required for the position. This will be on a consensus basis. If there is no consensus, the evaluators and coaches will vote on the player. If there is a tie, the coaches have the final say.

Player evaluations are confidential and will not be discussed with anyone outside of the Evaluation Team.

Players are not evaluated on their skill alone, but also on their attitude, fitness, effort, and commitment to the team.

Yukon Amateur Hockey Association will provide an observer to oversee and monitor the Team Selection Process.

Parents who have any questions or issues regarding the team selection will be requested to inform the President of Yukon Amateur Hockey Association and submit a written complaint describing the issue. YAHA will meet with the Evaluation Team Spokesperson and may request a meeting of all evaluators to discuss the complaint. YAHA will then inform the person who filed the complaint of their findings.

### ***Team Selection Time Lines:***

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| May 2009                | Female Identification Camp                         |
| October 2009            | Female Identification Camp                         |
| April 2010              | Identification Camps – Male and Female             |
| August – September 2010 | Team Trials Female – Training Squad to be selected |

**Note: players are expected to attend all Team Trials camps unless:**

- They have an injury or illness
- They are participating in a hockey program outside the territory and have conflicting tryouts
- Other extenuating circumstances that would be approved by YAHA.

Any requests not to attend the Team Trials camps must be in writing to the coaches and a copy will be forwarded to YAHA.

It should be noted that some players will play for hockey programs outside the territory and that they may be selected for Team Yukon. For example, they could be playing for the regional male and female programs in Prince George or Fort St John or attending a hockey academy such as Notre Dame.

## APPENDIX 1

### 2011 (Halifax) Canada Winter Games

#### Competitor Eligibility

1. Competitors must meet all eligibility requirements outlined in the Technical Package.
2. The Canada Games are open to Canadian citizens and landed immigrants.
3. The Games are open to athletes who are members in good standing of their provincial and/or national sport organization.
4. An athlete's permanent domicile or actual residence must be located, for at least the 180 days prior to the opening of the Games, within the recognized boundaries of the province or territory they are representing. An athlete can have only one domicile.
5. Students attending school on a full-time basis outside their province of permanent residence during the year of the Games shall be permitted to compete for either their province of permanent residence or the province in which the athlete attends school. To be eligible to compete for the province where the athlete attends school, the student must be enrolled on a full-time basis during the 2010-2011 academic year.
6. If a non-student athlete attends a recognized national training centre outside his or her province of permanent residence, the athlete is encouraged to represent his or her province of permanent residence; however, the athlete could represent the province where the centre is located under the terms of paragraph (7), below.
7. Exceptions to the domicile requirement will be possible if the athlete can demonstrate a commitment to the province or territory she or he wishes to represent by such means as having been a member of a club or provincial sport organization in that province for the entire previous competitive season, having represented that province or territory at a previous national or regional championship, or having attended school full-time the previous academic year, or a recognized national training centre full-time during the previous 12 months. Other similar circumstances may be considered.
8. An athlete is permitted to try out for only one province or territory per Games.
9. The eligibility of any athlete that is not clearly established by these rules and by the Technical Package shall be determined by the Sport Committee of the Council. **Coaches or Provincial Sport Organizations must bring forward any unclear cases to their Chef de Mission and to their National Sport Organization as early as possible before the competition for forwarding to the Sport Committee of the Canada Games Council.**
10. Where a team/province or territory/Chef wishes to challenge the eligibility of an athlete on another

