



Tri Province Team Selection Guidelines

Purpose

To select the top U16 and U18 athletes for the year and give them exposure to elite competition and to provide a foundation of being a part of team with other athletes. The Athletes are selected from the Sask Excellence program and from the Outdoor Provincial Championships.

Selecting Athletes

- Athletes can be selected for the Tri Province team by:
 - Being a part of the Sask Excellence program.
 - If not a part of the Sask Excellence program, have an outstanding performance at the Tri Province trials (Outdoor Provincial Championships).

Being a part of the Sask Excellence program

- All Sask Excellence athletes are guaranteed a spot on the Tri Province team.
- However, athletes must declare and pay the trip fee before the given deadline.
- If a Sask Excellence athlete has declared and paid their fee for the Tri Province team, they do not have to attend the Tri Province trials, although it is encouraged as it the Outdoor Provincial Championships.

NOT a part of the Sask Excellence program

- An athlete must attend Tri Province trials (Outdoor Provincial Championships).
- An athlete must fill out an "Intent to Participate" form at the Tri Province trials.
- An athlete must have an outstanding performance at trials. Examples of outstanding performances are:
 - Finishing 1st or 2nd in an event.
 - Breaking a Saskatchewan Athletics record.

*It should be noted that there is no guarantee the athlete who had an outstanding performance will be selected for the Tri Province team based on the number athletes that have already registered for the team for that specific event, but we will try to make every effort to get the athlete to the Tri Province meet.

- If an athlete is selected, he/she must fill out a declaration form and pay the trip fee before the given deadline.

**It is possible for a 2nd year U14 athlete to be selected for the Tri Province team if they have better performances than the top U16 athletes in an event. However, 1st year U14 athletes cannot be selected.

Tri Province Team Selection Scenarios

Scenario #1

An athlete who is not a part of the Sask Excellence program attends the Tri Province trials meet and fills out an “Intent to Participate” form at the meet. She competes in the 100m and 200m. She finishes 4th in the 100m and 1st in the 200m. As a result of being the fastest 200m athlete in the province for her age group, she will be asked to join the Tri Province team.

Scenario #2

An athlete who is not a part of the Sask Excellence program attends the Tri Province trials meet and fills out an “Intent to Participate” form at the meet. He is competing in Long Jump and Triple Jump. He finishes 2nd in Long Jump. The athletes who finished in 3rd and 4th place are Excellence athletes who have already confirmed their spot on the team. These Excellence athletes have results from a meet earlier in the season that are better than the non Sask Excellence athlete’s result at the Tri Province trials. As a result of both Excellence athletes having better jumps from earlier in the season than the non Sask Excellence athlete’s jump, the non Sask Excellence athlete will not be selected for the Tri Province team.

Scenario #3

A Sask Excellence athlete has confirmed her spot on the Tri Province team by declaring for the meet and paying the trip fee. This athlete also plays high level soccer (or baseball, or swimming etc.) and is competing in a major tournament the same weekend of Tri Province trials. As a result of her being an Excellence athlete and confirming her spot on the Tri Province team, she does not have to attend the Tri Province trials to compete for a spot on the team.