

ALBERTA CRICKET COUNCIL



SELECTION POLICY

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PREAMBLE

1. The Alberta Cricket Council's ("ACC") Selection Policy lays out a clear and transparent process that dictates the methodology and steps for a players selection to any cricket team that officially represents the ACC and/or the province of Alberta ("Team Alberta").
2. These teams include:
 - a. The Provincial Mens Team (any format)
 - b. The Provincial Womens Team (any format)
 - c. The Provincial Youth Team (Mens or Womens; any format)
 - d. The Provincial Masters Team (Mens or Womens; any format)
 - e. Any other team participating in a cricket tournament or event and considered to be representative of the province of Alberta
3. The purpose of this policy is to provide a consistent base and selection opportunities to all cricketers across the province and at the same time boost the competitiveness and quality of cricket within our member leagues.

ROLE AND APPOINTMENT OF PROVINCIAL SELECTORS

4. **Role of Provincial Selector(s):** The principal role of Members of the Selection Committee ("Provincial Selector(s)") is to select players to represent the ACC and the province of Alberta in a manner that will:
 - a. Maximize Team Alberta's chances of winning each game or series;
 - b. Provide a platform for the best players from the province to showcase their talents and be then selected for Canada's National Team(s); and
 - c. Guarantee the long-term success of cricket in Alberta.
5. **Composition and Election:** The Selection Committee will be made up of four (4) Provincial Selectors, with a minimum of one (1) representative of womens cricket in Alberta. Provincial Selectors shall be elected to these positions as per the ACC's Election Policy and will serve in their roles for a period of two (2) years.
6. **Qualification:** Individuals shall only be considered for election as Provincial Selectors if they have:
 - a. Represented Provincial or National Team(s) as a player;
 - b. Possess outstanding administrative, organizational and communication skills;

- c. Are not a member of the ACC's Board of Directors or part of a Member or Associate Member's Executive Team, with the exception of the Alberta Womens Cricket League ("AWCL");
- d. Can commit to making themselves available to attend district, provincial and national events as needed; and,
- e. Are willing to provide a declaration of independence if requested by a member of the ACC's Board of Directors. Sample declaration:

I, [SELECTOR'S NAME], do solemnly declare that I:

- i. Shall perform my duties as the Provincial Selector to the best of my knowledge and ability.*
- ii. Shall remain objective and unbiased during the entire selection process and afterwards.*
- iii. Shall immediately inform the ACC's Board of Directors if I am approached by any individual or organization with a request to give preferential treatment to any player(s) over others.*

PLAYER SELECTION PROCESS

- 7. The selection process to be followed will be distinct for the following categories of Provincial Team(s):
 - a. Mens Senior, Junior (U-19, U-16 or U-15) and Masters (O-50) Provincial Team(s);
 - b. Womens Senior, Junior (U-19, U-16 or U-15) and Masters (O-50) Provincial Team(s).
- 8. **Mens Senior, Junior and Masters Provincial Team(s) Selection Process:**
 - a. Players will be nominated for selection to the Provincial Team(s) by their respective District or Provincial Leagues/Associations based on their performance during the current or immediately prior regular season or special event/tournament. Leagues/Association nominating the players do not need to be Members of the ACC as long as they are registered and operating in the province of Alberta.
 - b. There are limitations to how many players can be nominated for selection by each District League:
 - i. For the Mens Senior Provincial Team(s):
 - 1. Leagues and Associations with multiple divisions within their structure can nominate:
 - a. Ten (10) Batsmen, Ten (10) Bowlers and two (2) Wicket Keepers from their top division; and,
 - b. Two (2) Batsmen, two (2) Bowlers and one (1) Wicket Keeper from each of their lower division(s).
 - 2. Leagues and Associations with a single division within their structure can nominate:
 - a. Five (5) Batsmen, Five (5) Bowlers and two (2) Wicket Keepers from their League.
 - ii. For the Mens Junior and Masters Team(s):
 - 1. Leagues and Associations with multiple divisions within their structure can nominate:
 - a. Upto a maximum of fifteen (15) Players from each of their divisions.

2. Leagues and Associations with a single division within their structure can nominate:
 - a. Upto a maximum of five (5) Players.
- c. Nominations must include:
 - i. Players Full Name;
 - ii. Date of Birth, Email ID and Phone Number;
 - iii. Nomination Category, as per sec. 8 (d);
 - iv. Player Stats or a link to where the stats are publicly available;
 - v. A declaration from one of the District League's Executives on the players good standing with the league, confirming the accuracy of the stats provided and the League/Associations commitment to the development of the player as well as to cover costs associated with the players selection and representation as part of the Provincial Team. Sample delaration:

I, [NAME], [EXECUTIVE POSITION] of the [LEAGUE], confirm that [PLAYER'S NAME], is:

 1. *In good standing with the [LEAGUE];*
 2. *His/Her stats as provided to the ACC's Selection Committee are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, and that;*
 3. *The [LEAGUE] is committed to the development of this player and is willing and able to cover costs as reasonably required for the participation of [PLAYER'S NAME] in camps, trials, events and tournaments during the selection process and as part of Alberta's Provincial Team.*
 - vi. For players that are under the age of 18, a written authorization from the players parents/legal guardians may also be required.
 - a. Players who have previously played at the highest level for Canada (i.e. Canadian National Team) or a full member of the ICC do not require a nomination from a District/Provincial League. These players can instead register for selection by completing the online registration form available on the ACC's website.

Note: Without a nomination from a District League/Association, the player may be liable to personally or through a sponsor cover costs as reasonably required for their participation in camps, trials, events and tournaments during the selection process and as part of Alberta's Provincial Team.

- d. All nominees should be qualified to play for the Canadian National Team as per criteria set forth by the International Cricket Council ("ICC") and summarized on Cricket Canada's website (<https://cricketcanada.org/playing-for-canada>). The Provincial Selectors have the right to waive this requirement for a player with exceptional abilities but this waiver must be agreed upon by all members of the Selection Committee.

- e. The ACC will communicate through their website and/or social media page deadlines for nominations for certain tournaments and events as needed. No nominations will be considered past the deadline.
- f. The Provincial Selector(s) also have the right to filter through the nominations as they see fit or as manageable under time and resource constraints i.e. in some cases, not all nominated players would be invited to participate in the next steps of the selection process.
- g. The final list of nominated players will be posted to the ACC's website when available by the Provincial Selector(s). Nominees will be contacted via email and invited to participate in the next step of the selection process.
- h. The Selection Committee as they see fit or as manageable under time and resource constraints will hold:
 - i. Trials
 - ii. Matches/Series
 - iii. Camps

The purpose of these events would be to help the Provincial Selectors narrow down the list of players for the upcoming events/tournaments as needed. A minimum of two (2) must be present in person at each of these events. It is expected that the Selector(s) would keep as detailed notes as possible in regards to the players qualities, skills and areas where they see opportunities for improvement as observed during the entire selection process. These notes shall be made available to members of the ACC's Board of Directors if requested.

- i. In making their final decision, the selectors will consider the following:
 - i. Players performance (past and present) at their District/Provincial League level as well as other Provincial, National and International matches;
 - ii. Players commitment to the sport as shown throughout the selection process;
 - iii. Players attitude and ethics;
 - iv. Physical fitness;
 - v. Leadership skills and cricketing knowledge (if considered for the Team's Captain role).
 - vi. Willingness to sign a liability waiver and acceptance of the ACC's Bylaws and Policies as requested by the ACC or the organizers of matches, events or tournaments. For players under the age of 18 the waiver should be obtained from the players parents/legal guardians.
- j. The Provincial Selectors will present their final list of selected and standby players for a particular event or tournament to the ACC's Board of Directors as soon as available.
- k. The Board of Directors will have the opportunity, up to a maximum of two (2) days, to review the list, ask questions or request notes from the Provincial Selector(s) in relation to a players selection or exclusion from the team.

- I. The final list of successful and standby players will then be posted to the ACC's website and/or social media pages and communicated via email with all District/Provincial Leagues and Associations.
9. **Women's Senior, Junior and Masters Provincial Team(s) Selection Process:**
- a. The Alberta Womens Cricket League ("AWCL") will coordinate with Womens Coordinators of all District and Provincial Leagues/Associations and prepare a list of nominees for any upcoming womens cricketing event or tournament.
 - b. Nominations must include:
 - i. Players Full Name;
 - ii. Date of Birth, Email ID and Phone Number;
 - iii. Player Stats or a link to where the stats are publicly available;
 - iv. A declaration from one of the AWCL's Executives on the players good standing with the league, confirming the accuracy of the stats provided and the Leagues commitment to the development of the player as well as to cover costs associated with the players selection and representation as part of the Provincial Team. Sample delaration:
I, [NAME], [EXECUTIVE POSITION] of the AWCL, confirm that [PLAYER'S NAME], is:
 1. *In good standing with the AWCL;*
 2. *His/Her stats as provided to the ACC's Selection Committee are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, and that;*
 3. *The AWCL is committed to the development of this player and is willing and able to cover costs as reasonably required for the participation of [PLAYER'S NAME] in camps, trials, events and tournaments during the selection process and as part of Alberta's Provincial Team.*
 - v. For players that are under the age of 18, a written authorization from the players parents/legal guardians may also be required.
 - c. Players who have previously played at the highest level for Canada (i.e. Canadian National Team) or a full member of the ICC do not require a nomination from the AWCL. These players can instead register for selection by completing the online registration form available on the ACC's website.
Note: Without a nomination from a District League/Association, the player may be liable to personally or through a sponsor cover costs as reasonably required for their participation in camps, trials, events and tournaments during the selection process and as part of Alberta's Provincial Team.
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APPEALS

10. Disicions made by the ACC's Selection Committee can be appealed pursuant to the ACC's Appeal Policy.