



## 2015 CANADA WINTER GAMES

### Age Categories

**V1 – February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

Age categories are aligned to the “Train to Compete” phase of the sport’s Long Term Athlete Development Model, or other suitable phase of LTAD, as justified by NSO and approved by the Canada Games Council.

The Canada Games Council Sport Committee has approved the age categories for the following sports on the 2015 Canada Winter Games program:

SPORT	Age Category
Archery	Under 22 as of January 1, 2015. Year of Birth: Born in the calendar year 1993 or later.
Alpine Skiing	ABLE-BODIED COMPETITION: <b>To be determined.</b>  PARA-ALPINE COMPETITION: <b>To be determined.</b>
Badminton	23 and under for men, as of December 31, 2015. 21 and under for women, as of December 31, 2015.
Biathlon	Born 1994 -1997 inclusive.
Curling	Competitors shall be a maximum of 17 years of age on December 31, 2014. Year of Birth: Any athlete born on and since January 1, 1997.
Cross Country Skiing	ABLE-BODIED COMPETITION: 23 years of age and under. Year of Birth: All athletes born 1992 or later.  PARA-NORDIC COMPETITION: <b>To be determined.</b>
Figure Skating	<b>To be determined.</b>
Freestyle Skiing	<b>To be determined.</b>
Gymnastics	MEN’S ARTISITC: Male athletes must be a minimum of 12 years old during the year of the Games and a maximum of 19 years old during the year of the Games (2015). Male athletes must be born 1996 to 2003 inclusive.

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	<p>WOMEN'S ARTISTIC:  Female athletes must be a minimum of 12 years old during the year of the Games and a maximum of 19 years old during the year of the Games (2015).  Female athletes must be born 1996 to 2003 inclusive.</p> <p>TRAMPOLINE:  To be determined.</p>
Hockey	<p>Male competitors under 16 years of age as of December 31, 2014.  Year of Birth: 1999 to 2003 inclusive.</p> <p>Female competitors under 18 years of age as of December 31, 2014.  Year of Birth: 1997 to 2004 inclusive.</p>
Judo	<p>Athletes born 1996 to 1999 inclusive.*</p> <p><i>*To allow young but exceptionally mature athletes to gain an adequate competitive experience, Judo Canada will apply its early bloomer clause (subject to approval on a case-by-case basis by Judo Canada's designated Committee). Clause reads as follows "an athlete who wins a medal at the U17 National Championships can enter a National Championship in an older age group (U20, Senior) in the following year despite the fact that he/she still is U17 AND an athlete who wins a medal at the U15 National Championships can enter a National Championship in age group (of U17 and U20) in the following year despite the fact that he/she still is U15".</i></p>
Ringette	<p>19 years of age or under as of December 31, 2014.  Born on or after January 1, 1995.</p>
Target Shooting	<p>Year of Birth: 1995 to 2002 inclusive.</p>
Snowboard	<p>HALFPIPE EVENT  19 and under as of February 13, 2015.  Minimum age at this date is 13.</p> <p>PARALLEL GIANT SLALOM EVENT  21 and under as of February 13, 2015.  Minimum age at this date is 15.</p> <p>SBX EVENT  21 and under as of February 13, 2015.  Minimum age at this date is 15.</p>
Speed Skating	<p>SHORT TRACK:  Competitors who have reached the age of 14 on June 30th, 2014 but have not reached the age of 19 on June 30th, 2014.  Year of Birth: July 1, 1995 to June 30, 2000 inclusive.</p> <p>LONG TRACK:  Competitors who have reached the age of 14 on June 30th, 2014 but have not reached the age of 19 as of June 30th, 2014.  Year of Birth: July 1, 1995 to June 30, 2000 inclusive.</p>

Squash	2 boys Under 17 as of February 2015. 2 boys Under 19 as of February 2015.  2 girls Under 17 as of February 2015. 2 girls Under 19 as of February 2015.
Synchronized Swimming	To be determined.
Table Tennis	Under 18 years of age as of January 1, 2015. Players must be born in 1997 or after.
Wheelchair Basketball	Athletes 24 years of age or under. Born on 1 <sup>st</sup> January 1991 or after.

\*\* Age categories are not subject to change.