



Speed Skating

Competition Format Bulletin

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This Bulletin will serve as the guiding document for the format of the BC Winter Games (BCWG) 2016. Please also see the [Technical Package for Speed Skating](#) and the [2016 BC Winter Games General Rules](#) for more general rules and regulations pertaining to the Games and to speed skating at the Games. References to any other documents will be made throughout the Bulletin, as required.

Any questions about the Bulletin should be directed to the BCWG 2016 Provincial Advisor (chris.acton@speed-skating.bc.ca). Any issues at the event should be directed to the Provincial Advisor, who will forward the concern to the the event [Sport Jury](#). The Sport Jury will be comprised of the Provincial Advisor, the Chief Referee and the Chief Recorder.

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U14 Females: 17 skaters

Event	Seeding	Advancement
400m #1	400m seed time skated in a sanctioned competition between January 1, 2015 and February 14, 2016 on the 100m track. Those without an applicable seed time will be seeded last.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 heats of 4 skaters each. The first heat will have 5 skaters to accommodate the 17th-ranked skater • Advance 2+0 to top semis (A/B) • Remainder to lower semis (C/D) • Advance 2+0 to highest available final (A or C) • Next two skaters (3rd and 4th in semis) advance to B or D final • Remaining skater to E final
200m pursuit/ mass start	200m (pursuit or mass start) seed time skated in a sanctioned competition between January 1, 2015 and February 14, 2016 on the 100m track. Those without an applicable seed time will be seeded last.	<p>Please see the SSC Competitions Format Bulletin, page 8, for advancements and more details regarding the 200m pursuit/mass start event.</p> <p>The 17th-ranked skater will skate the (first) pursuit in the same flight as skaters ranked 1st-16th (i.e. 9 pairs).</p>
400m #2	400m seed time skated in a sanctioned competition between January 1, 2015 and February 14, 2016 on the 100m track. Times skated in the 400m #1 will also be considered.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 heats of 4 skaters each. The first heat will have 5 skaters to accommodate the 17th-ranked skater • Advance 2+0 to top semis (A/B) • Remainder to lower semis (C/D) • Advance 2+0 to highest available final (A or C) • Next two skaters (3rd and 4th in semis) advance to B or D final • Remaining skater to E final
2000m points race	Cumulative ranking from the first three distances.	Super final. Each race will be limited to 8 skaters. In the event of a tie for the 8th (or 16th) position, the skater with highest combined 400m ranking will be admitted to the higher final. The 17th ranked skater will be automatically awarded 17th position in the event and will not race a final. Please see the SSC Competitions Format Bulletin , page 9, points 10-16 for more details regarding the 2000m points race.
Super 1500m final	Cumulative ranking from the first four distances.	Super final. Exclusively the top 8 ranked skaters participate. In the event of a tie for the 8th position, the skater with the higher ranking in the 2000m points race will be admitted to the final. All 8 skaters will race in Final A.

U14 Males: 22 skaters

Event	Seeding	Advancement
400m #1	400m seed time skated in a sanctioned competition between January 1, 2015 and February 14, 2016 on the 100m track. Those without an applicable seed time will be seeded last.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 heats of up to 4 skaters each • Advance 1+2 (fastest 2nd) to top semis (A/B) • Remainder of 2nd-place skaters + 4 fastest 3rds to semis C/D • Remaining skaters to semis E/F • Advance 2+0 from semis to highest available final (A, C or E) • Remainder from semis to lowest available final (B, D or F)
200m pursuit/ mass start	200m (pursuit or mass start) seed time skated in a sanctioned competition between January 1, 2015 and February 14, 2016 on the 100m track. Those without an applicable seed time will be seeded last.	Please see the SSC Competitions Format Bulletin , page 8, for advancements and more details regarding the 200m pursuit/mass start event.
400m #2	400m seed time skated in a sanctioned competition between January 1, 2015 and February 14, 2016 on the 100m track. Times skated in the 400m #1 will also be considered.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 heats of up to 4 skaters each • Advance 1+2 (fastest 2nd) to top semis (A/B) • Remainder of 2nd-place skaters + 4 fastest 3rds to semis C/D • Remaining skaters to semis E/F • Advance 2+0 from semis to highest available final (A, C or E) • Remainder from semis to lowest available final (B, D or F)
2000m points race	Cumulative ranking from the first three distances.	Super final. Each race will be limited to 8 skaters. In the event of a tie for the 8th (or 16th) position, the skater with highest combined 400m ranking will be admitted to the higher final. Please see the SSC Competitions Format Bulletin , page 9, points 10-16 for more details regarding the 2000m points race.
Super 1500m final	Cumulative ranking from the first four distances.	Super final. Exclusively the top 8 ranked skaters participate. In the event of a tie for the 8th position, the skater with the higher ranking in the 2000m points race will be admitted to the final. All 8 skaters will race in Final A.

U16 Females: 15 skaters

Event	Seeding	Advancement
500m #1	500m seed time skated in a sanctioned competition between January 1, 2015 and February 14, 2016 on the 111,12m track. Those without an applicable seed time will be seeded last.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 heats of up to 4 skaters each • Advance 2+0 to top semis (A/B) • Remainder to lower semis (C/D) • Advance 2+0 to highest available final (A or C) • Remainder to lowest available final (B or D)
1500m	1500m seed time skated in a sanctioned competition between January 1, 2015 and February 14, 2016 on the 111.12m track. Those without an applicable seed time will be seeded last.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 heats of 5 skaters each • Advance 2+0 to A final • Next two skaters (3rd and 4th in heats) advance to B final • Remaining skaters to C final
500m #2	500m seed time skated in a sanctioned competition between January 1, 2015 and February 14, 2016 on the 111.12m track. Times skated in the 500m #1 will also be considered.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 heats of up to 4 skaters each • Advance 2+0 to top semis (A/B) • Remainder to lower semis (C/D) • Advance 2+0 to highest available final (A or C) • Remainder to lowest available final (B or D)
3000m points race	Cumulative ranking from the first three distances.	Super final. Each race will be limited to 8 skaters. In the event of a tie for the 8th position, the skater with higher ranking in the 1500m will be admitted to the higher final. Please see the SSC Competitions Format Bulletin , page 8, points 2-8 for more details regarding the 3000m points race.
Super 1000m	Cumulative ranking from the first four distances. Exclusively the top 8 ranked skaters participate. In the event of a tie for the 8th position, the skater with the higher ranking in the 1500m will be admitted to the event.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 semis of 4 skaters each • Advance 2+0 to A final • Remainder to B final

U16 Males: 16 skaters

Event	Seeding	Advancement
500m #1	500m seed time skated in a sanctioned competition between January 1, 2015 and February 14, 2016 on the 111,12m track. Those without an applicable seed time will be seeded last.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 heats of 4 skaters each • Advance 2+0 to top semis (A/B) • Remainder to lower semis (C/D) • Advance 2+0 to highest available final (A or C) • Remainder to lowest available final (B or D)
1500m	1500m seed time skated in a sanctioned competition between January 1, 2015 and February 14, 2016 on the 111.12m track. Those without an applicable seed time will be seeded last.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 heats of up to 6 skaters each • Advance 2+0 to A final • Next two skaters (3rd and 4th in heats) advance to B final • Remaining skaters to C final
500m #2	500m seed time skated in a sanctioned competition between January 1, 2015 and February 14, 2016 on the 111.12m track. Times skated in the 500m #1 will also be considered.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 heats of 4 skaters each • Advance 2+0 to top semis (A/B) • Remainder to lower semis (C/D) • Advance 2+0 to highest available final (A or C) • Remainder to lowest available final (B or D)
3000m points race	Cumulative ranking from the first three distances.	Super final. Each race will be limited to 8 skaters. In the event of a tie for the 8th position, the skater with higher ranking in the 1500m will be admitted to the higher final. Please see the SSC Competitions Format Bulletin , page 8, points 2-8 for more details regarding the 3000m points race.
Super 1000m	Cumulative ranking from the first four distances. Exclusively the top 8 ranked skaters participate. In the event of a tie for the 8th position, the skater with the higher ranking in the 1500m will be admitted to the event.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 semis of 4 skaters each • Advance 2+0 to A final • Remainder to B final

Relays

U14 Relay (3000m relay on 100m track)

- Zone Relay Team composition: 2x U14 Males plus 2x U14 Females per team. Only Zones that are able to field a complete team will be eligible to compete for medals. Zones may enter a second team if they are able to field a complete team. No skater may be a member of more than one team. The Zone Head Coach is to submit the names of skaters who will participate in the relays to the Provincial Advisor by the end of the competition day on Friday February 26th.

- As of the time of publication of this Bulletin, there are 8 eligible U14 Zone teams. Scratches and replacement skaters may change these numbers. The information regarding progression from heats to finals will be updated accordingly and announced to the Coaches well in advance of the relay heats.

Zone 2	Zone 6
Zone 3	Zone 7
2x Zone 4	Zone 8.
Zone 5	

- Teams will be seeded into heats based on the cumulative 400m seed times of all the skaters on the team (exclusive of 400m times skated during competition on Friday February 26th).
- Teams will advance 2+0 from the heats into the relay final A. Remaining teams will race in relay final B.
- Skaters who are not on an official Zone team may be combined to form exhibition relay teams. The teams will be serpentine-seeded based on skaters' 400m seed times. Time permitting, exhibition teams will skate "exhibition relay finals" on Saturday February 27th or Sunday February 28th.

U16 Relay (3000m relay on 111.12m track)

- Zone Relay Team composition: 2x U16 Males plus 2x U16 Females per team. Only Zones that are able to field a complete team will be eligible to compete for medals. Zones may enter a second team if they are able to field a complete team. No skater may be a member of more than one team. The Zone Head Coach is to submit the names of skaters who will participate in the relays to the Provincial Advisor by the end of the competition day on Friday February 26th.

- As of the time of publication of this Bulletin, there are 5 eligible U16 Zone teams. Scratches and replacement skaters may change these numbers. The information regarding progression from heats to finals will be updated accordingly and announced to the Coaches well in advance of the relay heats.

Zone 2
Zone 3
Zone 4
Zone 5
Zone 8.

- Teams will be seeded into heats based on the cumulative 500m seed times of all the skaters on the team (exclusive of 500m times skated during competition on Friday February 26th).
- Teams will advance 1+2 (fastest times) from the heats into the relay final A. Remaining teams will race in relay final B.
- Skaters who are not on an official Zone team may be combined to form exhibition relay teams. The teams will be serpentine-seeded based on skaters' 500m seed times. Time permitting, exhibition teams will skate "exhibition relay finals" on Saturday February 27th or Sunday February 28th.