



Each year Racquetball BC will support a Junior Provincial Team and a Junior Provincial Elite Team to attend the Racquetball Canada National Championships.

Racquetball BC will also strive to support active tournament players to attend Racquetball Canada's National Championships as the Senior Provincial Team.

1. Junior Team Criteria

- 1.1 To be eligible for Junior Provincial Team all athletes must:
 - a. Be a member in good standing of Racquetball BC.
 - b. Be a resident of BC and a Canadian citizen.
 - c. Participate in a Racquetball BC Junior Program.
 - a. Mandatory Winter Session (January to March).
 - d. Participate in the Racquetball BC Provincial Championships in a junior singles category.

2. Elite Junior Team Format & Criteria

- 2.1 The Elite Junior team will consist of a maximum of two males and two females in 14, 16, 18 and 21 & Under categories.
- 2.2 Qualified Elite Team members will compete in their age group in singles and together in doubles at the Racquetball Canada National Championships.
- 2.3 Athletes must meet all criteria in Section 1.
- 2.4 Athletes must finish 1st or 2nd in their age-appropriate division at the Provincial Championships
 - 2.4.1 3rd place finisher will be offered an Elite Team position if an eligible player is unable to attend.

4. Junior Team Funding & Support

- 4.1 Optional access to Elite Junior Provincial Team training.
- 4.2 Funding to cover cost of 1st division registration fee at the Racquetball Canada National Championships.
- 4.3 Team uniform.
- 4.4 Coaching when possible, at the Nationals (priority will go to Elite Team Members).

5. Junior Elite Team Funding & Support

- 5.1 Mandatory Junior Team training as coordinated by the head coach.
- 5.2 Financial support (as per annual budget) to help cover travel expenses (flights, hotel, mileage).
- 5.3 Cost of full registration fee at the Racquetball Canada National Championships (junior divisions only).
- 5.4 Team uniform.
- 5.5 Coaching at the Nationals.

6. Senior Team Eligibility & Funding

- 6.1 Must be a member in good standing of Racquetball BC
- 6.2 Must participate in the Racquetball BC Provincial Championships
- 6.3 The Senior Team will consist of a Maximum of 2 Males and 2 Females (Top 2 placed in Provincials)

- 6.3.1 If the Provincials Championships has a combined Co-Ed Open draw, only the Top 2 placed in the draw will receive eligible funding
- 6.4 The amount of the first division entry fee as set by Racquetball Canada will be awarded to qualified athletes to attend the Racquetball Canada National Championships.

7. Parameters of Funding

- 7.1 All qualifying athletes will be contacted by the Executive Director, confirming the Associations sponsorship, the funding amounts available and confirming any conditions to be met.
- 7.1 All funds allocated to athletes on the Junior Provincial Teams shall be used for travel expenses, accommodation expenses, and entry fees. There may be instances where only partial funding may be available. All athletes shall provide receipts for the expenses incurred.
- 7.3 No funds will be released to athletes until receipts are provided for expenses and full participation in the Racquetball Canada National Championships is confirmed by the head coach.
- 7.4 Funding amounts to be set annually as per the Racquetball BC budget.
- 7.5 Funding amounts change annually. If a situation arises where full funding is not available, further fundraising projects will be implemented. All Elite Team Members will be encouraged to participate.

8. Arrangements

- 8.1 All team members are responsible for making their own travel and accommodation arrangements and registering for the event.
- 8.2 The Executive Director & Head Coach will help in coordinating travel arrangements when possible.

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