

Speed Skate New Brunswick (SSNB)

ATHLETE DEVELOPMENT

Provincial Team Policy

Amendments for the 2021-2022 Season



Preamble

The Athletic Development/Coaching Committee (ADCC) has made several amendments to the SSNB Provincial Team Policy (PTP) for the 2021-2022 speed skating season. The rationale for amendments to the PTP are 3-fold:

1. Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, there has been limited competitions since February of 2020.
2. The Canada Winter Games are just over 1 year away, and the athletes have had limited competition experience over the past 1.5 years.
3. Ensuring every competition gives athletes the best opportunity to have meaningful competition.

Amendments

2.8.2 Standard for Movement from 100M track to 111M track

Any skater who is age eligible to compete at the 2023 Canada Winter Games will be given an exemption to skate on the 111m track and can choose to skate on the 111m for their first two competitions. Any skater who receives this exemption and has not previously achieved the 111m track standards must skate below 223seconds(combined 500m + 1500m) in order to remain on 111m track for subsequent competitions. If the standard is not achieved in the first two competitions, skaters will be required to return to the 100m track and achieve the standards listed in SSNB's competition bulletin to return to the 111m track.

If the above noted standard to remain on the 111m track is not achieved, 2023 Canada Winter Games eligible athletes can ask the Athletic Development/Coaching Committee Chair for an exemption to skate on the 111m track. The athlete must have skated on the 100m track at least once in the 2021-2022 season. The ADCC would like to see a minimum of 217s (combined 400m + 1500m) for women or 209s (combined 400m + 1500m) for men.

3.3 Canadian Youth Short Track Championships (East)

Eligibility

1. Athletes need to attend a minimum of two competitions, with at least one of them being after Jan. 1st, 2022 (due to limited competitions)
2. Remove the clause where at least one competition needs to be skated in NB (due to limited competitions and overlap with FPVQ/SSC)
3. No requirement to skate on the 100m track in the 2021-2022 season, although it is recommended to skate a least 1 competition on the 100m before CYSTC (due to limited competitions)
4. Ranking for CYSTC will be based on a tier system. The first tier will be those who have achieved the standard to skate on the 111m track, and their ranking will be based on the 500m + 1000m/2 + 1500m/3 from the 111m track. The second tier will be those who have not achieved the standard to skate on the 111m track, and their ranking will be based off of the 200m + 400m + 1500m/3 on the 100m track.
 - a. Skaters who achieve the 111m track standard only after November 29th, 2021 will have to skate on the 111m track a minimum of 1 time after achieving the standard for their 111m times to be used for CYSTC ranking.
5. Athletes can qualify for funding to attend CYSTC in one of two ways:
 - a. Achieving the FPVQ funding standard on the 111m track
 - b. Achieving the CYSTC funding standard on the 100m track (unchanged from previous years)