

## 2019 WESTERN CANADA SUMMER GAMES TENNIS TECHNICAL PACKAGE

Every Games' coach, manager, Sport Chairperson and Mission staff has an obligation to read and understand every aspect of the Technical Package. Failure to do so could cost an athlete his or her eligibility for the Games as well as affect final standings or the conduct of the competition. If someone does not understand an aspect of a Technical Package, he or she is to seek clarification from the Technical Committee of the Western Canada Games Council through his or her Chef de Mission or Provincial/Territorial Sport Organization.

Technical Packages are developed primarily by the Western Canada Games Technical Committee in conjunction with the various Provincial/Territorial Sport Organizations, following principles, guidelines and requirements of the Western Canada Games Council. As the overall governing body of the Games, the Council has the ultimate authority for Technical Packages.

If an individual wishes to initiate a change to a Technical Package leading up to a Games, the desired change should be first directed to the Provincial/Territorial Sport Organization or the Chef de Mission. The P/TSO or Chef will evaluate the merits of the change and will, if it has merit, submit the requested change to the Technical Committee of the Western Canada Games Council. The P/TSO or Chef will submit the rationale for the change. Changes to age groups, eligibility requirements, team sizes or staff complements will not be considered after three years prior to the Games. Substantive changes to events or competition formats will not be considered after 18 months before the Games. Minor corrections will be considered at almost any time, but will be increasingly difficult to achieve within six months of the Games. Changes made by the NSO's regarding WCSG alignment to the Canada Games will not be considered after April 1, 2018. These time frames reinforce the importance of complete understanding of the Technical Package early.

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## 2019 WESTERN CANADA SUMMER GAMES ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

1. The Western Canada Summer Games are open to Canadian citizens and landed immigrants.
2. The Games are open to athletes who are members in good standing of their provincial/territorial and/or national sport organization.
3. An athlete's permanent domicile or actual residence must be located, for at least 180 days prior to the opening of the Games, within the recognized boundaries of the province or territory they are representing. An athlete can have only one domicile.
4. Students attending school on a full-time basis outside their province/territory of permanent residence during the year of the Games shall be permitted to compete for either their province/territory of permanent residence or the province/territory in which the athlete attends school. To be eligible to compete for the province/territory where the athlete attends school, the student must be enrolled on a full-time basis during the academic year preceding the Games.
5. If a non-student athlete attends a recognized national training centre outside his or her province/territory of permanent residence, the athlete is encouraged to represent his or her province/territory of permanent residence; however, the athlete could represent the province/territory where the centre is located under the terms of paragraph (6), below.
6. Exceptions to the domicile requirement will be possible if the athlete can demonstrate a commitment to the province/territory she or he wishes to represent by such means as having been a member of a club or provincial/territorial sport organization in that province/territory for the entire previous competitive season, having represented that province or territory at a previous national or regional championship or having attended school full-time the previous academic year or a recognized national training centre full-time during the previous 12 months. Other similar circumstances may be considered.
7. Competitors must meet all eligibility requirements outlined in the Technical Package.
8. An athlete is permitted to try out for only one province or territory per Games.
9. An athlete may participate in more than one sport, provided the sports occur in different phases of the Games.
10. The Technical Committee of the Council shall determine the eligibility of any athlete that is not clearly established by these rules and by the Technical Package. **Coaches or PSOs/TSOs must bring forward any cases in question to their Chef de Mission as early as possible before the competition for forwarding to the Technical Committee.**
11. Where a team/province/territory/Chef wishes to challenge the eligibility of an athlete on another provincial/territorial team, it is expected that such a challenge will be made as soon as the protesting team knows that an athlete may be ineligible. Every effort must be made to ensure that protests on eligibility are lodged before an athlete competes.

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### Summary of Draft Changes to Technical Package

Date	Details	Initiated By	Status
April 24, 2017	Require clarification on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Process for ranking team</li> </ul>	Sport Tech	TBD
April 24, 2017	Is sanction from Tennis Canada required? No	Sport Tech	Approved
June 20, 2017	5.3.3 Coaching on court. Updated the requirements for ass't coach or manager to coach on the court. Consistent with requirements outlined in 4.1 Coaches	Sport Tech	Approved

### Summary of Denied Proposals of Change to Technical Package

Date	Proposal	Initiated By	Rational for proposal being denied

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## 1. Sport: **TENNIS**

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### 2. Participants:

- 2.1. **Competitors:** 5 male athletes  
5 female athletes
  - 2.2. **Staff:** 1 head coach  
1 assistant coach/manager  
One of whom must be male, and one of whom must be female
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### 3. Classification:

- 3.1 **Year of Birth:**  
2 males and 2 females born in 2005 or earlier (under 14 as of 12/31/18)  
3 males and 3 females born in 2003 or earlier (under 16 as of 12/31/18)

### 4. Eligibility:

#### 4.1 **Coaches:**

Any staff listed as head coach on the official registration form must be fully certified (theory, technical and practical) under the National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP) to at least Level 3, or the equivalent level in the new NCCP, competition stream, Development context, (Trained status) in Tennis. To assist with on court coaching, the manager/assistant coach must be fully certified to at least Level 1.

Coaching certification must be completed no later than ninety (90) days before the opening of the Games.

#### 4.2 **Athletes:**

4.2.1 All athletes must meet the Western Canada Games Eligibility criteria, as outlined in Appendix 1 which forms an integral part of this Technical Package.

4.2.2 Excluded from the Games are:

- a) Current Canadian national senior tennis team members.
- b) Current senior card holders (as defined by Sport Canada's Athlete Assistance Program).
- c) Athletes who have competed in the sport of tennis at the following major Games or Championships: Pan American, Commonwealth, Olympics, Paralympics.

#### 4.3 **Interpretation:**

4.3.1 Athletes who are members of the Canadian national senior tennis team and athletes who are carded (as defined by Sport Canada's Athlete Assistance

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Program) or obtain their card prior to May 1, 2019 are **ineligible** to compete in the Western Canada Summer Games.

- 4.3.2 Athletes who are carded or become Canadian national tennis team members after May 1, 2019 are **eligible** to compete in the Western Canada Summer Games.

### 5. Competition:

#### 5.1 **Rules:**

The most current official rules of Tennis Canada will govern the competition.

#### 5.2 **Equipment:**

The official ball will be the Wilson U.S. Open ball.

#### 5.3 **Event Format:**

Although there are two age categories at the Games for boys and girls, the tournament is run independent of age with both ages competing against one another. The athletes will compete in a Team event (5.4.1) as well as an Individual event (5.4.2) as outlined below.

Players are eligible to play in one event only (i.e. singles) throughout the competition (players cannot play singles and doubles).

All matches will be best 2 out of 3 sets format (no ad scoring) with a 7 point tiebreak at 6 games all. If a third set is required, players will play a 10 point Super-Tie- Breaker to determine the winner.

##### 5.3.1. Team Event

#### **Round Robin Format:**

Teams will play a round robin with the other teams to determine an overall ranking. Each provincial / territorial Team Tie will be based on playing seven matches: two boys singles, two girls singles, 1 boys doubles, 1 girls doubles, and 1 mixed doubles.

Scoring for the Team Tie will be 1 point for each match won, with the total points combined to determine the outcome.

#### **Standings after the Round Robin:**

Round Robin standings will be determined by the number of team ties won against other provinces / territories and will determine the medals and final placings.

In the event teams are tied in the standings, the final standings will be based on:

- a) Head to head results between or among all teams in question; if still inconclusive, then

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- b) The net sets (that is, the number of sets won minus the number of sets lost) between or among the teams in question; is still inconclusive, then
- c) The net games (that is, the number of games won minus the number of games lost) between or among the teams in question.

### 5.3.2 Individual Medal Event:

This portion of the event will consist of singles and doubles matches for both boys and girls.

#### **Boys Singles, Girls Singles:**

Round Robin / Elimination Draw will be developed when exact number of participants are determined.

#### **Boys Doubles, Girls Doubles, Mixed Doubles:**

The four teams with the highest placing in the Team Event will qualify for the individual doubles competition.

In each event the highest placing Team will play the 4<sup>th</sup> place team and the second place team will play the 3<sup>rd</sup> place team. The winners of the semi-finals will play for the gold medals and the losers of the semi-finals will play for the bronze medals.

- 5.3.3. On court coaching will be permitted on each ninety (90) second changeover during a match. The designated team coach may, at these changeovers, coach the athlete(s). Only the coach may speak to the chair umpire on a “point of fact” and in the case of an appeal on a question of “tennis law” with the referee. To assist with on court coaching, the manager/assistant coach must be fully certified to at least Level 1.

### 5.4 Protests:

All protest shall be filed in accordance with the Western Canada Games Protest Procedures, which are attached as Appendix 2 and form an integral part of this technical package.

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## 6. Scoring Procedures:

	Individual Results					Total Indiv. Pts.	1 - 6	Team Results					Total Team Pts.	1 - 6	Total Points	Final Placing
	BS	GS	BD	GD	MD	Max 30		BS	GS	BD	GD	MD	Max 30		Max 60	Max 6
AB																
MB																
NWT																
NU																
SK																
YK																

All points gained from each portion of the competition (Individual and Team) will be added together.

Maximum Points per event (example Indiv – BS) = 6 points

Maximum Points per Individual Results Total = 30 points

Maximum Points Combined Results (Individual and Team) = 60 points

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## 7. Provincial / Territorial Ranking:

Once the scoring procedure for the sport determines a winner, points for the aggregate award will be as follows:

	Team Competition	Individual Competition =	Total
1 <sup>st</sup> place =	6	6	
2 <sup>nd</sup> place =	5	5	
3 <sup>rd</sup> place =	4	4	
4 <sup>th</sup> place =	3	3	
5 <sup>th</sup> place =	2	2	
6 <sup>th</sup> place =	1	1	

Final Provincial / Territorial point standings will be the total number of points after the scoring of the team and individual competition. Boys and Girls will be ranked together with the maximum number of points a province / territory could receive is twelve (12).

### **Tie Breaking:**

If a tie occurs in an overall team standing between two provinces / territories, points will be combined and divided by two, i.e. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> tie – 12 points + 10 points = 11 points each.

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## 8. Competitive Uniform:

8.1 Proper tennis attire is required.

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## 9. Medals:

9.1 Gold, silver and bronze medals will be presented to the first, second, and third place finishers in each Individual singles/doubles event.

Gold, silver and bronze medals will be presented to the first, second, and third place finishers in the Team Competition (10 athletes, 2 coaches).

9.2 Medals:      20 gold      20 silver      20 bronze