



TEAM CANADA VOLLEYBALL
Youth Women National Team Program
2019

The purpose of the National Team program is to identify, select and train a group of athletes who have future Senior National Team potential and offer them the opportunity to train and represent Canada in international competition.

PROGRAM		Youth (W)
Athletes		2002 or later
Selection process (See detailed outline below)	Step 1: PTA input	Provincial/Territorial Associations will submit athlete list based on selection criteria
	Step 2: Provincial & National Championships	Selection Committee will attend Prov & National Championships to identify athletes for the final selection camp.
	Step 3: Selection Camp	Final Athlete Selection will take place at an invite only selection camp
Final Selection Camp		
Program Dates		May 24-26, 2019
# of Athletes		Approx. 30-36 athletes
Training Location		Athlete Institute, Mono, ON
Program Fee		\$315, including accommodation & meals (+ travel to/from will be the responsibility of the athlete)
Training & Competition		
Program Dates		August 24-September 14, 2019 (TBC)
# of Athletes		12 + 2-3 alternates
Training Location		TBD
Program Fee		Estimated between \$4500-\$5000
Main competition	Event	2019 U19 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS
	Date	September 5-September 14, 2019
	Location	Cairo, Egypt
Coaching Staff		Head Coach: Scott Koskie Assistant Coaches: Dale Melnick, Jimmy El-Turk Therapist: Geoff Mabey Performance Analyst: Nathan Janzen



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IDENTIFICATION PROCESS

STEP 1

Provincial Territorial Athlete identification support -

- Each PTA submits to Volleyball Canada a list of athletes for the VC selection committee to consider during the final selection process at National Championships
- ***There is NO registration process directly with Volleyball Canada***

STEP 2

Provincial & National Championships – Identification and selection

- The selection committee will attend provincial championships, where feasible, as well as Club National Championships
- A select group of athletes will be invited to a final selection camp after National Championships.

STEP 3

Final Selection Camp

- Invited athletes (approx. 30-36) will attend a final selection, May 24-26, 2019.
 - Athletes will be named to the World Championships roster following the camp.
 - YNT 2018 athletes will be pre-invited to the final selection camp, as well as the selection committee reserves the right to pre-invite athletes based on PTA recommendations.
 - Selected athletes would be encouraged to work with their PTA to ensure a quality training program/plan from the selection through to the training block in August.
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SELECTION PROCESS

The final selection committee will be composed of a minimum of two coaches (2) of the program, Volleyball Canada Representation (TBA) and 1-2 additionally appointed members (TBA).

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

All selected athletes will be required to pay a program fee. In 2019, Volleyball Canada does not have a fee associated with identification. Athletes are responsible for any fees associated with their provincial association.

The program fee will be determined once funding allocations and program details are in place. This will be announced prior to selection but is expected to be approx. \$4500-\$5000. The program fee will include all food, accommodation, travel and expenses associated with World Championships training and competition, including training gear.



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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Is there a Junior Women's National Team in 2019?

No, there will not be a Junior National Team. We are currently exploring the possibility of an extended Senior team roster to train for a portion of the summer of 2019. The selection process times lines will be confirmed upon determining program details.

How do I find out about my PTAs plans for the summer of 2019?

It is important that you check with your region to ensure you are aware of the selection process for their elite programs. Information is available through your Provincial/Territorial Volleyball Associations website or contact pages.

How will the Provinces and Territories identify athletes?

The PTA's will provide selection process information to all interested athletes. The PTA's will provide VC with a list of athletes to observe at National Championships. VC is not restricted to the PTA list in the selection of athletes but it will formulate the majority of the ID process. Volleyball Canada will provide PTA's with selection criteria, including physical testing guidelines for athletes. The athlete selection criteria is available on the Volleyball Canada website.

My club team is limited by positions and I believe that I may have greater success in another position but I am unable to showcase that at Provincials/Nationals. How will the selection criteria reflect this situation?

The selection committee will work very closely with the PTA's to ensure athletes are able to be evaluated in various situations. The selection committee will prioritize the overall skill, physical and mental skills of the athlete throughout the selection process.

What if my club team is not planning to participate in VC Club Championships?

The club championships are a critical piece of the season plan for our next generation of high performance athletes so it is the expectation that athletes will be in attendance. It would be important to communicate early with your PTA if your team is unable to attend. It is assumed that athletes will attend their respective provincial championships; the coaching staff will make every effort to ensure a member of the selection committee is able to evaluate athletes.

I am injured and unable to attend VC Championships, what should I do?

Depending on the injury, it is important that athletes are healthy and prepared for training and competition in the month of July. Our first priority is athlete safety and long term athlete development. Therefore, if you are unable to participate during nationals, you would be responsible to communicate with your health care provider, coach, and program manager well in advance of the final selection.

How many athletes will you select? Is there selection criteria available?

The YNT will select 30-36 athletes for the final selection camp, with the objective to identify athletes 12-15 athletes for the training block prior to competition. The travel roster for world championships will include 12 athletes only.