



ATHLETE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

TRAMPOLINE GYMNASTICS

2023 CARDING CRITERIA

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1. BACKGROUND

The purpose of this criteria is to identify and support Canadian athletes, performing at or having the greatest potential to achieve top 8 results at the Olympic/Paralympic Games and World Championships. Performance should be the cornerstone of the selection process. Consistent with the objectives of the AAP's goals, use of international results should be part of all card level nomination criteria.

GymCan is carefully following the evolution of the coronavirus on the global and domestic level and how it may impact events and the nomination of AAP.

Unless otherwise required by exceptional and unforeseen circumstances related to the impact of the coronavirus, GymCan will respect these published procedures as written.

However, situations related to the coronavirus pandemic may arise that require this Internal Nomination Procedure to be modified. Any modifications will be made promptly and as often as required following developments that directly impact the nomination procedure. In such circumstances, any modifications will be communicated to all affected individuals as soon as possible.

Further, situations may arise that do not allow this nomination procedure to be modified or applied as written due to time constraints or other exceptional and unforeseen circumstances. In such situations, any decision, including nomination decisions, will be made by the individual(s) with decision-making authority, as stated in this Internal Nomination Procedure, in consultation with the relevant individual(s) or committee(s) (as applicable), and in accordance with the stated performance objectives and selection philosophy and approach as stated herein. Should it be necessary to make any decision in this manner, GymCan will communicate with all affected individuals as soon as possible.

Sport Canada allocates AAP cards to eligible sports/disciplines. The current carding allocation for Trampoline for 2024 is the equivalent of 7 senior cards or \$148,260. Sport Canada reserves the right to adjust AAP annual card allocations to Trampoline based upon overall AAP system reviews – any changes may require further adjustments to existing criteria by Gymnastics Canada.

1.1 A minimum of 6 eligible athletes may be nominated for senior cards (SR1, SR2, SR, or Injury);

Eligible athletes for senior cards will be nominated in the following priority order:

- Athletes eligible under the SR1/SR2 carding criteria
- Athletes carded the previous year at SR2 who meet the Injury carding criteria
- Athletes eligible under the SR - Tier 1 - Senior National Team carding criteria
- Athletes eligible under the SR - Tier 2 - Senior National Team carding criteria
- Athletes carded the previous year at SR who meet the Injury Tier 2 carding criteria
- Athletes eligible under the SR - Tier 3 - Senior National Team carding criteria
- Athletes carded the previous year at SR who meet the Injury Tier 3 carding criteria

A minimum of one (1) Senior Card (SR1, SR2, SR, or Injury) will be allocated to each gender.

1.2 A maximum of two (2) eligible athletes may be nominated for Development cards, both for 10 months. In no way does this imply that there is a minimum nomination requirement. Development cards are ranked below senior Tier 3;

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- Athletes eligible under the D- Tier 4- Junior National Team carding criteria
- Athletes eligible under the D- Tier 5 – Junior National Team carding criteria



- 1.4 After the nominations of the athletes eligible for Senior and Development cards, if a quota remains it will be allocated to the next athlete(s) for Senior (SR1, SR2, SR, or injury) card(s). If a quota still remains it will be allocated to Development cards.

The qualification period for all trampoline cards is January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023.

The carding period will be for 12 months from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024.

The amount of funding is based on the following carding levels:

• Senior International:	SR1, SR2	\$ 1765/month
• Senior National:	SR	\$ 1765/month
• Development	D	\$ 1060/month

Sport Canada also provides tuition support to athletes able to attend school and meet the high - performance training and competition requirements. For more information on the AAP program, please consult the Sport Canada Web site: <https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/services/funding/athlete-assistance/policies-procedures.html>

Final authority on carding nomination rests with the GymCan CEO.

2. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 AAP support is subject to athletes' availability to represent Canada in major international competitions, including World Championships and Olympic Games; participation in preparatory and annual training programs; and adherence to their Athlete/National Sport Organization (NSO) Agreement.

- 2.2 The athlete must be a **Canadian citizen or** Permanent Resident of Canada on the date of the beginning of the carding cycle, and the athlete shall have been a legal resident in Canada (student status, refugee status, work visa or permanent resident) for a minimum period of one year before being considered for AAP support.

The athlete would normally be expected to have participated in GymCan-sanctioned programs during that time period.

- 2.3 The athlete, under the eligibility requirements of the sport's International Federation (FIG), **as it pertains to citizenship or residency status**, must currently be eligible to represent Canada at major international events, including World Championships.

- 2.4 Athletes must meet the carding criteria at international events or at a domestic event sanctioned by GymCan for such purposes. To clarify, "domestic events" are National events, not Provincial events.

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- 2.5 In order to be nominated for carding, an athlete and their personal Coach must provide a written statement to the effect that, during the carding cycle, the athlete:
- Intends to continue to train and compete at the level expected of a carded athlete for the



- next twelve (12) months;
- Does not intend to attend an educational institute that would render them ineligible for carding within the next twelve (12) months;
- Will prepare for and compete at Elite Canada, Canadian Championships and Training Camps unless ill, injured, pregnant or granted special permission to miss the event prior to the event by the GymCan TG Director;
- Will take part in the training camps, monitoring and competitions activities of the National Team Program;
- Will prepare for and take part in the Olympic Games, World Championships, Pan American Games selection process and preparation plan within the carding cycle period, unless ill, injured or granted special permission prior to the event to miss the event by the GymCan NTD.

3. MAXIMUM NUMBER OF YEARS AT SR

An athlete may be nominated for carding at the Senior National level (SR/C1) for a maximum 6 years. Should GymCan consider nominating an athlete beyond the 6 year maximum period, GymCan must present a comprehensive statistical analysis of the nominated athlete's potential to progress toward the performance equivalent of top 8 and top half at a World Championships or top 8 at the next Olympic Games.

Improvements relative to World standards will be used to monitor progression using Section 6 below (percentage of the base score).

4. SENIOR CARDING CRITERIA

4.1 SENIOR INTERNATIONAL CARD CRITERIA (SR1/SR2)

4.1.1 International Senior criteria (SR1/SR2): for athletes who attain the following Sport Canada international criteria:

- a) Positions 1 to 8 after Finals (maximum 2 per country) and top 1/2 of the field at World Championships;
- b) In Olympic year - Positions 1 to 8 in Finals and top-half at Olympic Games;

Athletes who meet the international criteria are eligible to be nominated by GymCan for two consecutive years, with the card for the first year referred to as "SR1" and the card for the second year referred to as "SR2". The second year of carding is contingent on the athlete being re-nominated by GymCan and a training and competitive plan approved by GymCan and Sport Canada being maintained. The athlete must also sign the GymCan national team agreement and complete the AAP application form for the year in question.

4.2 SENIOR NATIONAL CARDING CRITERIA (SR)

The remaining number of SR cards will be awarded based on the following 3 sets of criteria and the Injury carding criteria.

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Senior National Card - Athlete eligibility requirements:

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- All athletes eligible for Senior National Card consideration must compete in the Senior category



at domestic and international competitions for the full AAP qualification period (1.4).

- Except for athlete(s) eligible under the Senior National Tier 1 carding criteria, athletes carded the previous year at the SR level, must attend a minimum of **one** (1) International FIG registered event outside Canada per carding cycle and listed below, in order to be eligible for nomination for carding:
 - a) World or Continental Championships
 - b) World Cups
 - c) Other International GymCan sanctioned competitions.

4.2.1 Tier 1: The Senior Tier 1 cards will only be considered for athletes who meet the following conditions:

- Have previously achieved podium performances in an Olympic event at World Championships or at the Olympic Games and
- Through the expert evaluation of a committee composed of three International Judges, performed a routine with a minimum score/degree of difficulty for Men of 54.0/15.4 and for Women of 49.5/12.7 within 2 months preceding their nomination for carding.
- This card is awarded for a one-year period

4.2.2 Tier 2: The Senior Tier 2 cards will be awarded to athletes meeting the following scores (preliminary score or Optional/Final score) at least once in the AAP qualification period (1.4). Counting scores are those from competitions listed below in (2):

Tier (Men)	Voluntary or Final Score
2a)	62.2
2b)	61.6
2c)	60.9
2d)	60.1
2e)	59.2

Tier (Women)	Voluntary or Final Score
2a)	57.0
2b)	56.3
2c)	55.6
2d)	54.9
2e)	54.2

Athletes with higher tier results will be ranked ahead of athletes in lower tiers. If two or more athletes are tied at the same tier, this tie shall be decided by comparisons below, until the tie is broken:

- 1) The higher number of times they have achieved results at that tier
- 2) The level of competition and number of results they have achieved at the same competition (ranked in order of priority below):
 - a. Olympic Games
 - b. World Championships
 - c. World Cups
 - d. Pan American Games
 - e. International Competitions for which athletes have received GymCan travel sanction^E:
 - f. Elite Canada or Canadian Championships

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- 3) The round in which the results were obtained and the number results they have achieved at



the same competition (ranked in order of priority below) **For International Competitions**

- a. Individual Finals
- b. Semi-Finals
- c. Team Finals (Worlds only)
- d. Optional Preliminary
- e. Total Preliminary

For Domestic Competitions

- a. Individual Finals
- b. Optional Preliminary
- c. Total Preliminary

- 4) The highest single tiered score obtained.
- 5) In the unlikely event that there is still a tie, the tie will be broken using the procedure in section 6.

4.2.3 Tier 3: The Senior Tier 3 cards will be awarded to athletes that achieve the following criteria in order of priority:

- a) Athletes meeting the National Excellence score and difficulty at a competition listed in section 4.2.2. or other international competition determined by National Team Director (*) in the qualifying period.
 - For 2023, the excellence score for Men's Individual Trampoline is 57.0/16.2
 - For 2023, the excellence score for Women's Individual Trampoline is 52.2/13.5
- b) Athletes meeting the Worlds Team score and difficulty at a competition listed in section 4.2.2. or other international competition determined by National Team Director (*) in the qualifying period.
 - For 2023, Worlds team score for Men's Individual Trampoline is 56.0/16.0.
 - For 2023, Worlds team score for Women's Individual Trampoline is 51.3/13.1.
- c) Athletes meeting the National Team score and difficulty at a competition listed in section 4.2.2. or other international competition determined by National Team Director (*) in the qualifying period.
 - For 2023, the team score for Men's Individual Trampoline is 54.0/15.4
 - For 2023, the team score for Women's Individual Trampoline is 49.5/12.7

In Tier 3, priority between tied athletes will be given to the athletes with the highest percentage of the base score (see section 6).

To be eligible for Tier 2 or Tier 3 carding, the athlete must meet National team requirements including the National team score and minimum DD (Men's Individual 54.0/15.4, Women's Individual 49.5/12.7) at a competition listed in section 4.2.2. or other international competition determined by National Team Director during the cycle.

4.3 INJURY CARD CRITERIA

Up to 2 athletes ill, pregnant, injured, or recovering from injury at the time of the Carding Selection may be consider for nomination under this criterion provided they meet the following conditions:

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4.3.1 The athlete must have been carded in the last carding cycle at the SR2 or SR level.

4.3.2 The athlete must have competed during the current year to be considered for nomination in the



upcoming carding cycle, at any **one** competition of types listed in section 4.2.2.*

4.3.3 An injury Card may only be considered for athletes carded the previous year, who miss one or more of the above competitions, in such case a substitute score will be determined.*

4.3.4 The athlete must have met the minimum National Team score in competition at one of the National team trials, held in the qualification period. That is, the substitution score cannot be the only score used.*

* Exceptions can be made if pregnant or suffering from long term injury.

4.3.5 A doctor's report must be submitted to the GymCan office for these athletes, explaining the nature of the injury, the treatment plan, period of convalescence, and the estimated return to training plan. This information must be received prior to the competition missed. If the injury happened just prior to or during a competition, a doctor's report must be submitted within 2 weeks after the conclusion of the competition.

4.3.6 For all properly documented reasons, a substitute score will be created for the missed competition. The score for each routine will be numerically calculated by averaging the athlete's score from the previous 2 National team trials in which the athlete competed.

4.3.7 An athlete who is considered eligible for an injury card will be provisionally nominated for carding for four (4) months provided they have indicated their commitment for the upcoming year.

4.3.8 The athlete may be required to take part in a test event after two months to confirm that the athlete has returned to at least 60 % of training capacity.

4.3.9 If the athlete has not been able to return to full training and competition within 6 months of the carding cycle, the card will be reviewed with the possibility of extension or suspension.

5. DEVELOPMENT CARDING CRITERIA (D)

Eligible athletes for development cards will be nominated in the following priority order.

1. Athletes eligible under the D - Tier 4 – Junior/Development National Team carding criteria
2. Athletes carded the previous year at D who meet the Injury Tier 4 carding criteria (still Junior/Development)
3. Athletes eligible under the D - Tier 5 - other Junior/Development National Team carding criteria

Development national card specific athlete eligibility requirements:

- In order to receive a development card, an athlete must meet Junior or Development National Team eligibility requirements during the qualification period.
- Athletes carded the previous year at the D level, must attend a minimum of **one** (1) International competition outside Canada per carding cycle and listed below, in order to be nominated for carding:
 - a) Youth Olympic Games
 - b) World Age Group Competitions
 - c) Pacific Rim Championships
 - d) Other GymCan sanctioned International competitions

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- 5.1 Tier 4: The development cards will be awarded to athletes meeting the following scores (Optional/Final score) at least once in the AAP qualification period (1.4). Counting scores are from competitions listed below in (2)

Domestic Prelim. scores will have the 1st routine DD removed to compare to the scores below.

Tier (Men)	Optional or Final Score
4a)	59.2
4b)	58.4
4c)	57.6
4d)	56.8
4e)	56.0

Tier (Women)	Optional or Final Score
4a)	54.9
4b)	54.0
4c)	53.1
4d)	52.2
4e)	51.4

Athletes with higher tier results will be ranked ahead of athletes in lower tiers. If two athletes are at the same tier, this tie shall be decided by comparisons below, until the tie is broken:

- 1) The higher number of times they have achieved results at that tier, and number of results they have achieved at the same competition (ranked in order of priority below)
- 2) The level of competition at which the results were obtained.
 - a. Youth Olympic Games
 - b. World Age Group Championships
 - c. International Competitions for which athletes have received GymCan travel sanction
 - d. Elite Canada or Canadian Championships
- 3) The round in which the results were obtained and number of results they have achieved at the same competition (ranked in order of priority below)

For International Competitions

- a. Individual Finals
- b. Optional Preliminary

For Domestic Competitions

- d. Individual Finals
- e. Optional Preliminary
- 4) The highest score obtained.
- 5) In the unlikely event that there is still a tie, the tie will be broken using the procedure in section 6.

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- 5.2 Tier 5: The remaining development cards will be awarded to athletes that achieve the following criteria based on the following order of priority:
- a) Athletes meeting the Development National Team score and difficulty in at least one of the last



two (2) Trials in the qualifying period.

- For 2023, the Development National Team score for Male Individual Trampoline is 52.8/13.5
- For 2023, the Development National Team score for Female Individual Trampoline is 48.3/11.2

In Tier 5, priority between tied athletes will be given to the athletes with the highest percentage of the base score (see section 6).

To be eligible for Tier 4 or Tier 5 development carding, athletes must perform an Optional or Finals Routine with a minimum DD of 13.5 for men or 11.2 for women at least once during the two National team trials in the qualification period.

6. GENDER ALLOCATION PRIORITY

The following process will be used to establish the gender combined list within each Senior National card tier. It will also be used if, after the application of the tier specific prioritization process, there is a need to break a tie between 2 or more athletes of the same gender:

- 6.1 The average adjusted ranking score (4 x voluntary) of the top 30th percentile of athletes completing 10 skills from the 2023 World Championships will be taken as the base score for 2023. Should the 2023 World Championships not be held we will use the 2022 World Championship to calculate the base score for 2022.
- 6.2 For each athlete who has met the criteria outlined in 4.2. (National Senior Cards) above, their National Team Ranking score *as of December 31, 2023* will be calculated as a percentage of their gender base score.
- 6.3 A carding priority list of all athletes, combining men and women, will be created by listing the athletes' percentages calculated in 6.2. in descending order

The following process will be used to establish the gender combined list within each Development National card tier. It may also be used if, after the application of the tier specific prioritization process, there is a need to break tie between two or more athletes of the same gender:

- 6.4 The average adjusted ranking score (2 x optional from preliminaries) of the top 30th percentile of athletes completing 10 skills from the 2023 World Age Groups Competition in 15-16 Individual Trampoline will be taken as the base score for 2023. Should the 2023 World Age Group Competition not be held we will use the 2022 World Age Group Competition to calculate the base score for 2023.
- 6.5 For each athlete who has met criteria outlined in section 5 of this document, their National Team Ranking score *as of December 31, 2023* will be calculated as a percentage of their gender base score as defined in 6.4 above.
- 6.6 A combined gender carding priority order will be created by listing, in descending order, the athletes' percentages calculated in 6.5 above.

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7. WITHDRAWAL OF CARDING STATUS



Gymnastics Canada will follow the protocols as outlined in Section 11 of the Sport Canada AAP Policies and Procedures Manual in instances where consideration or action is required to remove an athlete from AAP carding status.

<https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/services/funding/athlete-assistance/policies-procedures.html>

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