

Policy Name Selection Policy for Recurve and Compound Next Gen Teams (21+. U21 and U18 Teams) (the "Policy")		
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1. Purpose:

The purpose of this document is to set out the process and criteria that will be used by Archery Canada (AC) to select 21+, U21, U18 and U15 athletes for selection for both Compound and Recurve Next Gen Teams. Next Gen teams consist of archers who are demonstrating progression towards podium potential at Senior level events. These teams could consist of Senior level athletes and youth age categories, such as U21, U18 and U15.

Athletes to compete at World Archery and/or World Archery America's sanctioned events. These include, but are not limited to:

- Grand Prix of the America's
- 2027 Youth World Championships
- 2027 FISU University Games
- Development Championships

Archery Canada aims to select athletes who show potential towards progressing to Senior National team levels and demonstrate the early technical, personable and leadership skills and/or qualities required to succeed on the international stage.

2. Administration

AC recognizes the importance of having a clear team selection policy and communicating the selection criteria to all athletes in a timely manner. AC is committed to a fair and appropriate implementation of this policy.

The Selection Criteria Document was developed by AC staff with input from the Program Technical Advisory Groups before being submitted to the AC Board of Directors for approval. Appropriate inputs are considered from Strategic Plan, Operational Plan, Budget and prior Athlete Council evaluations.

AC may amend a published Selection Criteria Document where necessary as outlined in Section 9.

3. Eligibility Requirements

All athletes who wish to be eligible for selection to either team must:

- Be eligible to compete for Canada under World Archery (WA) eligibility rules as outlined in Book 1, chapter 2, section 2.4.
- Hold a valid passport that will not expire within 6 months of any event in the published World Archery Calendar for 2027. The valid passport must be presented to Archery Canada upon acceptance of selection
 - If an athlete is eligible to represent Canada but does not hold a Canadian Passport, they must contact the Archery Canada office to ensure they have all required documentation to prove eligibility.
- Be a current registrant of Archery Canada in good standing.
- Be in the eligible age category for the events:
 - University Games 18-25 years old
 - Youth Worlds
 - Be a U21 or U18 athlete:
 - U21, born in 2007 or earlier
 - U18, born in 2010 or earlier
 - Caribbean Development Championships
 - Be a U21, U18 or U15 athlete
 - U21, born in 2007 or earlier
 - U18, born in 2010 or earlier
 - U15, born in 2013 or earlier
- Upon selection to a team complete the following agreements and training modules:
 - 2027 Athlete Agreement
 - Coaching Association of Canada's online Safe Sports Training module (must be completed every 3 years).
 - Sign and submit a consent form under the Canadian Safe Sport Program rules.
- Meet all selection criteria, as outlined in section 6 below.
- **FISU World University Games Only:** Be a student or recent graduate at a USports affiliated school: https://en.usports.ca/HQ/Members/U_SPORTS_Members
- All athletes in contention for selection will be asked to comply with minimum testing and monitoring protocols. Full information will be available shortly in the National Team Program overview. Information will be provided directly to athletes who submit their names, in the interim.

4. Decision Making Authority

The Technical Leadership team, composed of the High Performance Manager (HPM), the National Coach, Olympic Programs the Recurve Technical Advisory Group and the Compound Technical Advisory Group, is accountable to select athletes and staff, for participation at events, in accordance with this policy and any published Event Specific Selection Criteria.

Any member of the Technical Leadership team who has an actual, potential, or perceived conflict of interest with an athlete under consideration for selection, including but not limited to familial, personal, coaching or financial relationships, must disclose the conflict to the HPM as soon as it arises and must recuse themselves from any discussion or decision regarding that athlete's selection.

5. Event Selection

Archery Canada Technical Leadership will select and nominate athletes to events in 2027. Events will be selected for nomination based on their position in the competitive calendar, and their alignment with the program goals in the 2027 season. Exact events will be confirmed when 2027 Program budgets are finalized. Events may include, but are not limited to:

- Grand Prix of the America's Stage 2, Daule, Ecuador, May 18-23 2027
- Grand Prix of the America's Stage 3, Guatemala City, Guatemala, June 22-27 2027
- Chungcheong 2027 FISU World University Games, Aug. 7-11 2027
- Antalya 2027 World Archery Youth Championships, Oct. 4-10 2027
- Caribbean Development Championships, Panama City, Panama, Oct. 19-24 2027

Archery Canada reserves the right to not nominate athletes to any event in the 2027 calendar.

6. Selection Criteria:

6.1 - Athlete Intent, Long List and Eligible Scores

All interested athletes will be required to submit their expression of interest for selection through the Google Form Link below. Once received, they will be added to the Selection Long List. The deadline to submit your name to the Long list is June 1, 2027.

- [Expression of Interest Google Form](#)

The purpose of the intent form for athletes is to allow for AC Technical Leadership to properly track athletes for selection and/or arrange for additional assessments where required in the development of training plans.

Athletes on the Long List must then meet the following Minimum Performance Expectation Scores at least three (3) times in the eligibility window, to be eligible for bonus points and selection. Athletes who do not have 3 scores, A Score, B Score or combination of, will not be eligible for bonus points allocation or selection. The athletes highest 3 scores that meet either the Score A, Score B or combination of A and B will be the eligible scores for the selection process.

6.2 Minimum Performance Expectations (MPE) - A & B Scores

As set by AC Technical Leadership, to be eligible for selection athletes must demonstrate the ability to meet the following Minimum Performance Expectation scores that have been set for each specific event. The athlete must earn a minimum of three (3) scores that achieve or exceed the stated MPE as outlined in the table below, within the events specific eligibility period, see section 6.3 below.

FISU World University Games MPE's

Gender, Age & Equipment Category	MPE Score A	MPE Score B
Recurve 21+ & U21 Men	625+	618-624
Recurve 21+ & U21 Women	620+	613-619
Compound 21+ & U21 Men	670+	663-669
Compound 21+ & U21 Women	660+	653-659

World Archery America's Grand Prix's

Gender, Age & Equipment Category	MPE Score A	MPE Score B
Recurve 21+ & U21 Men	630+	622-629
Recurve 21+ & U21 Women	620+	613-619
Compound 21+ & U21 Men	670+	663-669
Compound 21+ & U21 Women	660+	653-659

World Archery Youth Championships

Gender, Age & Equipment Category	MPE Score A	MPE Score B
Recurve U21 Men	620+	612-619
Recurve U21 Women	620+	612-619
Recurve U18 Men	630+	622-629
Recurve U18 Women	625+	618-624
Compound U21 Men	680+	673-679
Compound U21 Women	665+	658-664
Compound U18 Men	670+	663-669
Compound U18 Women	660+	653-659

Caribbean Development Championships

Gender, Age & Equipment Category	MPE Score A	MPE Score B
Recurve U21 Men	610+	602-609
Recurve U21 Women	610+	602-609
Recurve U18 Men	620+	612-619
Recurve U18 Women	620+	612-619
Recurve U15 Men	560+	553-550
Recurve U15 Women	550+	543-549
Compound U21 Men	670+	673-679
Compound U21 Women	660+	653-659
Compound U18 Men	660+	653-659
Compound U18 Women	650+	643-649
Compound U15 Men	640+	634-639
Compound U15 Women	610+	604-609

Recurve U18 and/or U15 Athletes who are aging up to U21 or U18 respectively in the calendar year of 2027, will need to meet the stated MPE scores at their respective, new competitive distances

- A Scores - are all scores in which the athletes have shot at eligible events that meet the stated MPE
- B Scores - are all scores in which the athletes have shot that are within a 1.2% margin for recurve or a 1% margin for Compound of the stated MPE scores.

6.3 Eligible Events & Eligibility Window

Eligible MPE Scores will be recognized from any Archery Canada registered or higher, World Archery, event. The event must appear in the Archery Canada event registration system if a national or local event. For international events, they must appear in the World Archery event calendar. Please see respective links below:

- World Archery Calendar: <https://www.worldarchery.sport/events/calendar>
- Archery Canada Event System: <https://can.service.ianseo.net/General/CompetitionList.php>

The eligibility window for athletes to meet the stated MPE's will function on a rolling window, based on the final deadlines for events in 2027. The eligibility window will start for all events on Apr. 1 2026.

For the Youth World Championships and Caribbean Development Championships, at least one score of the three scores must come from a National level event. This includes 2026 and 2027 National events such as the Canada Cup West, Canada Cup East, and/or Canadian Outdoor Target Championships.

While exact event deadlines are not yet published by World Archery or World Archery America's table 2 below outlines the anticipated eligibility window for each event. Exact dates will be added when information is published.

Event	Score Eligibility Start Date	Anticipated Score Eligibility End Date
Grand Prix of the America's Stage 2	April 1 2026	Apr. 1 2027
Grand Prix of the America's Stage 3		May 15 2027
University Games		June 1 2027
Youth World Championships		Aug. 15 2027
Caribbean Development Championships		Aug. 31 2027

6.4 Selection Process and Performance Points:

Long lists for each 2027 key event, will be available through the following link:

- <https://archerycanada.ca/target-archery-programs/selection-processes/>

The Long List will display all athletes who meet the above eligibility requirements for each event in the 2027 season in which Archery Canada will nominate a team.

Nomination from each Long list will be determined as follows:

6.4.1 MPE Scores

Athletes on the Long list will have their three (3) MPE Eligible scores within the specific eligibility window added to the long list, and combined to produce one score, that is the cumulative total of the (3) scores. The 3 scores could be a combination of A and B levels, just A levels, or just B level scores.

Depending on the MPE Score level achieved, the athletes Top (2) MPE scores will then be allocated bonus selection points.

6.4.2 MPE Scores Bonus points

The athletes Top two (2) scores that meet the stated Score A or Score B levels above, will be allocated the following bonus points per score

- A Scores - 2 points per score
- B Scores - 1 point per score

6.4.3 Nomination Procedure:

Following the closure of the eligibility window for each event, all athletes scores and bonus points will be combined as follows:

- The 3 MPE scores will be combined to create a cumulative score, totalling the athletes selection points
- Bonus points will be awarded to the athletes Top 2 scores in the Long List. An athlete can earn bonus points on no more than 2 scores.
 - Scores achieved that meet or exceed the Score A MPE level will be awarded 2 points per Score
 - Scores achieved that do not meet the stated Score A, but meet Score B will be awarded (1) point per score

6.4.4 Tie Break

In the case of a tie in accumulated points, the tie break will be determined as follows:

- The athlete with the Higher Average Arrow Value, across their Top 3 MPE scores, will be nominated
- If a tie persists, then the athlete who has matched or exceeded the stated MPE scores the most times throughout the eligibility period will be nominated. This will be the total number of times the scores were achieved by the athlete in the eligibility window, and is not limited to their three (3) scores.

6.5 Team Size

6.5.1 Nomination Capacities:

For international events, World Archery and World Archery America's establish the maximum number of athletes that can be nominated for each event. The maximum team sizes are as follows:

- World Championships - 3 Men, 3 Women
- Other events: 4 Men, 4 Women

Archery Canada reserves the right to nominate up to or below the maximum number of permitted entries for each event.

7. Team Selection Deadlines Announcement

Selection of athletes to the 2027 Events will be made, by no later, then 30 days before the Final Deadline for each event.

8. Removal/Withdrawal from the team

Once selected, athletes will be required to demonstrate their continued preparation, soundness and ability by reporting on their ongoing training through outlined channels. All athletes must maintain active communication with the Technical Leadership Team as outlined in section 4 in relation to their training and preparation or risk having their selection be revoked.

An athlete who is to be nominated to a Team as outlined within this Addendum by Archery Canada may be removed as a nominee for any of the following reasons:

- Voluntary withdrawal. Athletes must submit a written request via email to Archery Canada's High Performance Manager at kcawley@archerycanada.ca.
- Inability to maintain high training standards;
- Injury, illness or for other medical reasons as determined by appointed medical staff and in consultation with athletes medical staff;
- Violation of the Universal Code of Conduct to Prevent and Address Maltreatment in Sport (UCCMS) or the Archery Canada Code of Conduct (refer to <https://archerycanada.ca/about-us/policies/>);
- Detrimental conduct to the team and/or the image of Archery Canada or the national team program;
- Failure to adhere to the anti-doping rules or requirements of any anti-doping organization with authority over the athlete.

In the case of injury or illness, the individuals with Decision Making Authority will consider medical recommendations in making a final decision. Injured or ill athletes may be subject to a proof of readiness test to be determined by the High Performance Manager in consultation with the athlete's personal coach. This test will consist of a controlled performance such as a competition or observed test or trial. These athletes will not travel with the team to the selected event until this requirement has been satisfied. If it is determined that the athlete is not competition ready prior to departure for the event, the athlete will be removed from participation in the event, and an alternate, if applicable, will be nominated in their stead.

If it is discovered that an athlete has not disclosed an injury or illness, they may be asked to return home immediately and may be held responsible for any penalties and other associated costs associated with their removal from the event.

9. Amendments and Unforeseen Circumstances

9.1 Minor Amendments:

Minor Amendments are non-substantive corrections, such as typographical errors, broken links, formatting updates, or updates to confirmed dates, venues, or other administrative details, that do not change athlete eligibility, selection criteria, or the selection process. The High Performance Manager may make Minor Amendments where required without review by Technical Leadership or the Board of Directors. Minor Amendments take effect immediately upon posting, and the "Updated" date on the cover of this document will be revised accordingly.

9.2 Major Amendments

Major Amendments are changes that alter the substantive selection criteria, eligibility requirements, selection process, or decision-making authority set out in this document. Major Amendments require the approval of the Archery Canada Board of Directors before taking effect.

AC may make modifications to this Selection Policy if AC determines that doing so is required to implement AC's stated performance objective as stated herein or to otherwise facilitate the selection process. However, any such modifications shall not, to the extent possible, and notwithstanding any unforeseen or exceptional circumstances, change the substantive criteria to assess athletes for the purpose of selection, unless it is possible to provide impacted athletes with sufficient notice to allow them to prepare for the selection event. Any modifications to this Selection Policy shall be communicated to impacted athletes as early as possible through AC's usual means of communication.

Selection Criteria Documents and event eligibility are based on World Archery rules and regulations as presently known and understood. In the event of changes by World Archery (WA) that could impact the selection and eligibility criteria, Archery Canada will be bound by these changes. At such time the WA regulations will be distributed to the affected athletes immediately, and Archery Canada will review and amend this document to comply with the new regulations or conditions.

Further, situations may arise that do not allow this Selection Addendum to be modified or applied as written due to time constraints or other exceptional and unforeseen circumstances. In such situations, any decision, including selection decisions, will be made by the individual(s) with decision-making authority, as stated in the Selection Criteria Document, 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, AC will communicate with all affected individuals as soon as possible.

Should any event specified in this selection document be canceled, postponed, rescheduled or replaced, Archery Canada shall update the selection procedures indicated in this addendum, as applicable, as soon as reasonably possible and shall communicate any modifications to all impacted individuals, as well as publish the modified addendum on its website, prior to the postponed, rescheduled or replacement event.

10. Appeals

Archery Canada's Appeals Policy will guide any appeals related to the team selections. The policy can be found posted on the Archery Canada website at <https://archerycanada.ca/aboutus/policies/>.

Any challenges related to language interpretation between English and French versions for any selection, shall see the English version take precedence over the French version.

11. Funding

Level of funding will vary by event, and is dependent on the 2027-2028 fiscal budget that is not yet confirmed. Updates to funding levels will be added when known. Athletes selected to a team Athletes should anticipate events to be self-funded or partially subsidized with an event specific levy of up to \$1000 per event to be in effect.