

TRACK AND FIELD / ROAD RUNNING / CROSS COUNTRY

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Dual Meet – U16/U18 Provincial Team

The U16/U18 Tri Province team program is a provincially focused competition opportunity run by Athletics Manitoba. The program targets athletes born in 2008/09 (U16) and 2006/07 (U18). The overall goal of the program is twofold; to provide an out of province competitive opportunity for our top athletes and to serve as a means of identifying and engaging new talent in the performance pathway of track and field.

The U16/U18 provincial teams will be competing in Regina, SK on the weekend of July 21-23rd and competing against athletes from all over Saskatchewan.

The standards that will be used for athlete identification are outlined below. Please note that achieving the standard places the athlete in the selection pool; it does NOT guarantee selection. Standards in the events must have been met or exceeded at a sanctioned competition between the dates of April 1st 2023 and June 17th 2023.

Team consideration will ONLY be taken into account for athletes who compete at the Kirk Cadman Memorial Classic on June 16th-17th, have exceeded the standards listed below, AND completed the online team declaration form online (http://www.trackiereg.com/2023_TriProv_Declaration) If an athlete is unable to attend the Kirk Cadman Memorial Classic, they must either engage in the latter two options AND appeal. Only under extenuating circumstancing will an appeal for selection be allowed (see below).

General Information

Provincial team fee: <u>The cost for the team this year is \$500.00*</u> (\$570.00 if you do not have an Athletics MB Membership). This price includes your Team Manitoba Gear package, your meet entry fee, your transportation and accommodations, and a portion of your meals for the weekend.

Team Staff: 10

Dual Meet: July 21st – 23rd in Regina, SK

Trials: Kirk Cadman Memorial Classic – June 16th & 17th

Team Practice: All Team Members will be expected to attend scheduled practices. Practice dates will be announced after

the Kirk Cadman Memorial Classic.

Selection Criteria

- ONLY athletes who compete at the Age Class Provincial meet on June 16th & 17th, have exceeded the standards listed below, AND completed the online team declaration form online
 (http://www.trackiereg.com/2023 TriProv Declaration) OR have submitted a formal appeal will be considered for selection to the Team.
- Team Selection will be based around performances achieved during the 2023 competitive season (April 1st, 2023 June 17th, 2023).
- Top performances in each event will be considered as a primary means of selection with all efforts being made to have athlete representation in each event.
- Selection efforts will also assume a team split of 20 male and 20 female athletes per team (U16 and U18). In the case where there are insufficient eligible athletes of one gender or age group, those spots will be reallocated (first within the age group, and then within the team as a whole).
- An athlete's ability to contribute to relays will also be considered during the selection process.
- All athletes must attend the Kirk Cadman Memorial Classic on June 16th & 17th as this competition will serve as the key identification for selection.
- In alignment with the program's overall mandate, and to continue the development of rural programs, the goal will be to allocate approximately 20% of team spots to rural athletes who have achieved standard.



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All athletes interested in selection must apply online here http://www.trackiereg.com/2023 TriProv Declaration

All athletes will be notified before **June 24th** if they have been selected to the Team. Athletes who have not been selected will also be notified.

The process to finalize team selections will occur in the order listed below. Once the team size is reached based on going through each of the steps, the selection process will end.

- 1) First place at the selection trials, having achieved the A standard
- 2) Second place at the selection trials, having achieved the A standard
- 3) Appeals from an athlete who has achieve the A standard (see Appeals section)
- 4) First place at the selection trials, having achieved the B standard
- 5) Second place at the selection trials, having achieved the B standard
- 6) Appeals from an athlete who has achieved the B standard (see Appeals section)
- 7) First place at the selection trials, having no standard
- 8) Second place at the selection trials, having achieved no standard
- 9) Athlete has an ability to contribute to a relay
- 10) The Team Manager and Event Coaches will have the authority to add an athlete into an event if there are no eligible athletes in that event after the selection date.

APPEALS:

Only athletes who are eligible to be considered for selection (i.e. have met the athlete eligibility requirements) and who have achieved a standard in 2023 (April 1st and onward) may submit an appeal for selection to the U16 & U18 Team. Appeals are only accepted if an athlete is not able to compete in their event at the trials. All appeals whether medical or extenuating circumstances must be submitted with supporting documentation indicating that the athlete will be competition ready by the Dual Meet Competition.

COMPETITIVE READINESS REQUIREMENTS:

Once selected to the team, athletes with questionable competitive readiness due to lack of fitness, injury or illness may be removed from the team at any time. Athletes will be required to immediately report any injury, illness or change in training that could affect their ability to compete at their highest level at the Games. Notification must be sent to the Team Manager.

Failure to report injury or illness prior to the event may result in the athlete being deselected from the team. "Competitive readiness" is the ability of the athlete to achieve equal or superior performance(s) at the Tri Province Competition in Regina, SK, using the same level of ability that was used when qualifying for the team. If an athlete's competitive readiness is in question, a performance test involving the Personal Coach, Team Coaches or Team Manager will be arranged. This test will vary in accordance with the event, injury or illness. Failure to demonstrate adequate health, fitness, and/or readiness an appropriate time before the 2023 Dual Meet Competition may result in removal from the team.

2023 Standards

Tri-Province Team Standards can be found online http://athleticsmanitoba.com/events/files/pdf/forms/23 Tri-Prov Standards.pdf