



NWT GYMNASTICS ASSOCIATION
Team NWT - COACH SELECTION POLICY
MAJOR GAMES AND CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. NWT Gymnastics Association (NWTGA) will support Team NWT's participation at the following Major Games & Championships:

MAJOR GAMES:

- a) Arctic Winter Games
- b) Canada Summer/Winter Games
- c) Western Canada Summer Games

CHAMPIONSHIPS:

- d) Western Canadian Gymnastics Championships
- e) Canadian Gymnastics Championships
 - Other Major Games or Championships may also be designated from time to time by NWTGA

2. To be eligible for selection as the Head Coach for Major Games and/or Championships, the coach must have, as a minimum, the level of certification as outlined by the Games or Championships technical package.
3. If the Games or Championships organization does not specify the level of certification required, the minimum level of certification required will be NCCP Level II or Competition Introduction Advanced (C2).
4. In preparation for Major Games and Championships, the NWTGA will issue a call for applications from those who are interested in being considered as the Head Coach for the team at least three months prior to the Games or Championships.
5. Preference will be given to coaches who reside in the Northwest Territories and are actively involved in gymnastics instruction in a member NWT Club.
6. If there is more than one application received, then all applications will be considered by a committee of at least three members of the executive of the NWTGA, and if possible, representing members from at least two NWT Clubs. The committee will consider the following criteria:
 - a) the Coach's coaching credentials;
 - b) the Coach's ability to work with athletes;
 - c) the Coach's history with the athlete/athletes eligible to compete at the competition; and
 - d) the Coach's long term history of successes with a wide variety of athletes.



7. In the event that there is an appeal of the decision of the Committee, the President of the NWTGA shall make the final determination of the Coach for the Major Games or Championships.
8. Where the team attending the Major Games or Championships is made up only of females and the Head Coach is a male, or the team is made up only of males and the Head Coach is female, or if both a male team and a female team will be attending the Major Games or Championships, a Chaperone will be chosen who is of the opposite sex of the Head Coach.
9. If the team attending the Major Games or Championships is comprised of gymnasts from only one Club, the Chaperone will be chosen from that Club.
10. If the team attending the Major Games or Championships is comprised of gymnasts from more than one Club, the Chaperone will be chosen from a Club other than the Head Coach's Club.
11. The Head Coach's duties will include:
 - a) assist in choosing the team in accordance with the athlete selection policy;
 - b) designing and ordering competition suits (in consultation with the NWTGA);
 - c) arranging travel and accommodations, as necessary;
 - d) organizing team training camp prior to the Games or Championships;
 - e) supervising and chaperoning of athletes at the Games or Championships;
 - f) other duties as required by the NWTGA or the event organizers;
12. The Chaperone will, at the direction of the Head Coach, assist in the duties of the Head Coach and will be responsible to stay with the team in residence or such other accommodations as have been arranged for the athletes.