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A trials system will be used to choose the athletes and cultural participants who will attend the Arctic Winter Games (AWG). All trial(s) for the AWG are to be held between November 3, 2017 and February 4, 2018.

The Sport Governing Bodies (SGB) are allowed the flexibility of selecting a weekend or weekends that best fits their sport schedule, including the option of combining the AWG trial with another event, such as a Yukon Championship. For those sports where it is appropriate to hold trials in December or January, we ask that the trials be scheduled for the earliest possible weekend to allow for various options if the trials must be postponed due to inclement weather. SGB are expected to schedule their trials to be as fair as possible to all Yukon athletes and are encouraged to consider hosting in rural communities.

All costs for the trial(s) are the responsibility of the SGB and the host community. Participants may be charged a registration fee which is to be determined by the SGB. Trial registration fees are only to include costs associated with holding the trials.

SGB are responsible for organizing all aspects of the trial(s) and for submitting all trial documentation to the Yukon Government - Sport and Recreation Branch no later than Friday, September 29, 2017. This information must include the following;

- Date or Dates of Trial(s)
- Locations and Times of Trial(s)
- Trial(s) Coordinator/Contact/Email/Phone Number
- Participant Selection Criteria
- Appeals Process in place if selections are challenged
- Whether or not your sport is selecting a Training Squad(s) or Final Roster(s)
- General Budget

All submissions are subject to review and must be approved by Games Committee

Athlete attendance at the trials is mandatory. Exceptions to this rule will be permitted only upon review and approval by Games Committee. Exemptions may be granted for the following reasons: injury; illness; Yukon school program commitments; and special family circumstances. In order for an exemption to be considered, a request form must be submitted to the Yukon Government - Sport and Recreation Branch 48 hours prior to the start of the specific sport trial. Where there are special situations making attendance impossible which could not have been anticipated, these will be considered individually by the Games Committee. A letter of support is necessary from the SGB listing the reason, a letter of support from the school if the reason is a Yukon school programming commitment, or a physician's note if reason is due to injury or illness. (Exemption Request Form is attached)

Students attending school outside the territory must comply with all eligibility requirements and their principal residence must be in the Yukon. Full time attendance at school outside the Territory does not constitute a Yukon school programming commitment which would exempt you from the trial.

Within 7 days immediately following the sport trial(s), the SGB will be required to either submit a final roster with a list of alternates (or) a list of participants that are selected to a training squad. This is to be submitted to the Yukon Government - Sport and Recreation Branch.

If a training squad is the preferred choice, the SGB will be given an additional 4 weeks from the trial(s) to submit their final roster. Following the trials, the SGB and coach(s) must define training plans that set out reasonable expectations for their athletes. These expectations must be seen as fair and equitable, and overall training plans may be requested by the Yukon Government Sport and Recreation Branch.

The athletes, cultural participants and coach(s) will be provided with a final roster sheet which must be signed off and submitted to the Yukon Government - Sport and Recreation Branch. At that time they become official members of Team Yukon and are subject to the appropriate Team Yukon Code of Conduct for the 2018 AWG. Any issues regarding an athletes' standing with a school system, Sport Governing Body, or any non-lawful activity could jeopardize the athletes' eligibility to attend the Games.

All final rosters must be submitted to the Government of Yukon – Sport and Recreation Branch no later than February 5, 2018.

Athletes are free to attend as many sport trials as they wish up until the time they are named to a final sport roster. (Please also ensure that you are aware of the Athletes and Culture Participants Eligibility Requirements).

Participants will receive a t-shirt for their participation at trials and are also eligible to apply for a travel subsidy through the In-Territory Travel Fund at a rate of .10 per km/per individual.

It is important to note that the Games Committee has the authority to make the final decision on athlete eligibility. An appeal process will be available through the Games Committee, where a tribunal will be set up to deal with any such appeals, if they occur.

For further clarification or questions, please contact Trevor Twardochleb at (867) 667-5606

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TRIALS EXEMPTION REQUEST FORM**

SPORT: _____

DATE OF TRIAL: _____

ATHLETE

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: (h) _____ (c) _____

EMAIL: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

PARENT / GUARDIAN

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: (h) _____ (c) _____

EMAIL: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

LIST REASON FOR EXEMPTION:

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION required with application form:

- Letter of support from the Sport Governing Body listing the reason
- Letter of support from your school if the reason is a Yukon school programming commitment
- Physician's note if reason is due to injury or illness

The application and supporting documentation must be submitted to the Yukon Government – Sport and Recreation Office 48 hours prior to the start of the sport trial or the request will not be considered.