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## ***NextGen Paracycling***

***2018 SELECTION & MAINTENANCE CRITERIA***

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Note: It is to be noted that elements mentioned in this program may change throughout the season due to funding restrictions, race cancellations or other elements that may not be controlled by Cycling Canada. In the case where there are changes to the program Cycling Canada will endeavor to notify all affected persons in a timely manner.

## 1. THE PROGRAM

During the year, riders will be presented with a fully supported development program. Based out of Bromont and Calgary (Calgary DTE to open during 2017-2018 cycle), the program offers support from a daily training environment available year-round.

Athletes within Cycling Canada NextGen programs are by default part of the Development Performance Pool (DPP) of Cycling Canada. For information about athlete pools, consult the NextGen General Program Description posted on the [Cyclingcanada.ca](http://Cyclingcanada.ca) website

## 2. COSTS

Selected riders within the NextGen Para program will be asked to invest in their respective career. Athletes will be asked to contribute CAD 110 per month in program costs.

These program costs cover items including, but not limited to: coach fees, multiple training camps, use of domestic and international facilities, IST fees and management fees. While some projects may be included within the program fee, athletes participating in projects will be subject to additional project fees. Project fees will be based on individual events and will only pertain to those participating.

## 3. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for the Cycling Canada NextGen Para Program, each athlete must:

- Be a Canadian Citizen;
- Communicate and demonstrate year-round commitment to the Cycling Canada NextGen Para program and associated activities.
- Athletes must sign a Cycling Canada NextGen program Athlete agreement.
- Member in good standing with Cycling Canada.
- Meet the B Standard of the National Team on a sanctioned individual time trial or demonstrate a relevant power profile progression that is projected to lead to a National Team A standard.

2017 NATIONAL TEAM STANDARDS									
CLASS	A Standard	B Standard	DEV Standard	Minimum Distance	CLASS	A Standard	B Standard	DEV Standard	Minimum Distance
MB	48,99	47,52	44,30	20 km	WB	43,45	42,15	39,10	20 km
MC1	39,63	38,44	36,00	15 km	WC1	30,00	29,10	22,00	15 km
MC2	41,03	39,80	37,50	15 km	WC2	35,91	34,83	32,32	15 km
MC3	43,30	42,00	39,30	15 km	WC3	37,75	36,62	27,00	15 km
MC4	44,88	43,53	41,20	15 km	WC4	37,78	36,65	35,30	15 km
MC5	45,65	44,28	42,00	15 km	WC5	40,07	38,87	37,50	15 km
MT1	27,92	27,08	25,50	10 km	WT1	23,30	22,60	19,00	10 km
MT2	34,76	33,71	31,10	10 km	WT2	30,03	29,13	22,00	10 km
MH1	21,87	21,21	19,68	10 km	WH1	-	-	-	-
MH2	33,65	32,64	27,40	10 km	WH2	23,75	23,04	15,00	10 km
MH3	39,86	38,67	34,90	15 km	WH3	33,04	32,05	26,90	10 km
MH4	40,20	39,00	34,60	15 km	WH4	33,61	32,61	29,60	10 km
MH5	38,91	37,75	35,30	15 km	WH5	34,74	33,70	32,30	10 km

Athletes wishing to apply for Cycling Canada’s NextGen Para program are required to complete the online 2018 application form. Any questions should be directed at Cycling Canada coach Guillaume Plourde at [guillaume.plourde@cyclingcanada.ca](mailto:guillaume.plourde@cyclingcanada.ca).

NOTE: Athletes who were members of Cycling Canada’s NextGen Para program in 2017 must meet the maintenance criteria (see Section 5 below) and are required to re-apply for 2018 selection.

#### 4. SELECTION CRITERIA Para-Cycling NextGen – Core Group

The core group will be made up of riders who have applied before the application deadline. Intakes are done on an annual basis. If applications are done at other times during the year, the National Coaches may decide to take on the athlete providing they believe the athlete shows promise to represent Canada at the Elite level and meets one or more of the following criteria:

- a. Any rider scoring at least a “1” score on all items listed in the Para Athlete Evaluation Tool.
- b. Any existing athlete, versed in bike riding and transferring from a different sport who the national coaches believe has the potential to represent Canada at an Elite level.

## 5. STARTING CYCLISTS

Athletes looking to join the NextGen program without prior experience are still eligible to apply. As the NextGen program and Development Performance Pool aim to foster the next generation of National Team athletes, the Para-Cycling NextGen coaches also work at the Talent Identification level. Athletes starting in the sport and therefore unable to demonstrate or meet any of the standards might be eligible for general, yet continuous support including:

1. General, free coaching and training supervision for a period of 6 months;
2. Access to specific equipment (when available);
3. Invitations to development/multisport camps;
4. Insuring that the athletes are connected with their local network (P/TSO's or local clubs).

The NextGen coach is mandated to do individual evaluations after which the athlete may or may not get an invitation for a trial period. After the trial period, the coaches evaluate the progression rate of the athlete and decide whether or not to integrate the athlete in the program. If deemed not ready yet, the coaches will help the athlete to get support through a local P/TSO or club to continue the athlete's long term development.

## 6. MAINTENANCE CRITERIA

A rider must meet one or more of the following standards each year to be eligible for continued support in the program:

1. Showing improved results in national and international competition.
2. Meeting or exceeding level "1" standards within the Para Athlete Evaluation Tool and shown improvement of these standards while in the program.

Only in exceptional circumstances (e.g. long-term illness or injury) will the program consider on-going support of a rider having not met any of the above criteria. In those circumstances, a case will be put forward by the national coaches to the management team and selection advisory group who will then decide on said riders' status.

In addition, all riders will be reviewed internally with the Cycling Canada Para Athlete Evaluation Tool.