

ONTARIO AMATEUR WRESTLING
ASSOCIATION
2025 CANADA GAMES



TEAM SELECTION CRITERIA



Canada Summer Games Program 2025

Team Ontario Selection Criteria

The Canada Games team for Ontario will be selected at a two-day selection tournament taking place on May 16 to 18, 2025. The selection tournament will utilize a “Pool & Ladder” system with the ladder being set from the results of the 2025 Ontario Juvenile Championships taking place Feb. 1, 2025 in Markham Ontario.

Please note: an athlete does not have to compete in the Provincial Championships in order to take part in the selection tournament. Athletes not entering or placing at the Provincial Championships will be entered in the Pool Tournament portion of the Trials.

No medical provision will be granted for the Provincial Championships.

Pool Tournament

The pool tournament will determine the pool winner, who will then be eligible to enter the ladder tournament as the fourth ranked athlete. The pool tournament will be run using a single elimination bracket, based on a random draw, and is open to any individual that fulfils the athlete eligibility criteria noted below.

All athletes must meet the eligibility regulations outlined in CGC’s Eligibility Policy.

Ladder Tournament

Athletes in each respective weight class will be ranked from one to three based on their true ranking from the 2025 Ontario Juvenile Championships. Each stage of the ladder tournament will be comprised of one match, except for the finals, which will be a best two out of three. Athletes will be given a minimum of 20 minutes in between matches.

The ladder tournament will begin with the fourth ranked wrestler (winner of the pool tournament described above) competing against the third ranked wrestler (or highest remaining ranked wrestler). The winner will then compete against the second ranked wrestler (or highest remaining ranked wrestler). Finally, the winner will compete against the first ranked wrestler in a best two of three match final (the last set of matches of the ladder tournament).

- **Athletes on the ladder who wish to change weights or who miss weight at the trials must enter the pool of the weight they make.**
- **Ladder athletes who fail to pre-enter by the set deadline will be placed in the pool.**



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Canada Games/Trials Weight classes:

Female:	1. 43 to 47 kg.	5. up to 59 kg.	9. up to 73 kg.
	2. up to 50 kg.	6. up to 62 kg.	10. up to 80 kg.
	3. up to 53 kg.	7. up to 65 kg.	11. up to 90 kg.
	4. up to 56 kg.	8. up to 69 kg.	

Male:	1. 44-48 kg.	5. up to 65 kg.	9. up to 92 kg.
	2. up to 52 kg.	6. up to 71 kg.	10. up to 100 kg.
	3. up to 56 kg.	7. up to 77 kg.	11. up to 120 kg.
	4. up to 60 kg.	8. up to 85 kg.	

THERE IS NO WEIGHT ALLOWANCE

TRIALS LADDER DETAILS

Placement on the Trials Ladder as follows:

- Top rung: 2025 Ontario Juvenile Champion in the specific Games Weight Class
- Second rung: 2025 Ontario Juvenile Silver Medalist in the specific Games Weight Class
- Third rung: 2025 Ontario Juvenile Bronze Medalist in the specific Games Weight Class



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TENTATIVE TOURNAMENT

- Ontario Juvenile Provincial Championships - February 1, 2025 (Determines the ladder)
- CSG Team Trials Location TBD – May 16-18, 2025
- Wrestle Offs (if needed) - June 27 or June 28 2025

SCHEDULE FOR TEAM TRIALS

Note: Subject to change

Friday May 16, 2025

4:30 pm Final Registration @
5:00-6:00 pm Weigh-ins @ Mandatory for Pool athletes

Saturday May 17, 2025

10:00 am Pool tournament (random draw, single elimination)
2:00 pm Ladder Tournament Weigh In
 - for ladder athletes and Pool Champions

Sunday May 17, 2025

10:00 am Ladder matches begin in the following order:
● Winner between Pool Champ versus Third rung on ladder.
● Winner from above versus second on ladder.
● Winner from above versus first on ladder (best two of three)

Winner of above is eligible to be the Team Ontario Games Team Member. The other finalist is the Alternate.

Awards will be presented at the conclusion of the tournament to all winners.



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Wrestle Offs - if needed - St Catharines - best 2 of 3

June 27 - Weigh-Ins- 7-8 pm (no allowance)

or,

June 28 - Weigh-Ins: 8-830 am - athletes will have an option to weigh in the morning of the competition, no allowance will be given.

Competition begins at 10:30 am.

The Champion will represent Team Ontario at the Canada Summer Games.



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PROVISIONS FOR SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES:

MEDICAL WRESTLE-OFF

Medical wrestle-off will only be granted to the 2025 Juvenile Provincial Champion at the Canada Games weight who is injured and is unable to take part in the Canada Games Team Trials event. The top seed may file a Notice of Appeal with the OAWA no later than the closing time of the first weigh-ins of the selection tournament. The athlete must present him/herself at the weigh-ins of the selection tournament, but is not expected to weigh-in. Exceptions may be considered by the V.P. Technical of the OAWA where attending the weigh-in would present an undue hardship (extreme travel distance, medical reasons, etc.).

A medical note from a doctor, outlining why they were unable to compete as well as an expected return to competition date must be submitted **at the time the Appeal is submitted**. OAWA reserves the right to have the athlete examined by a doctor of the Association's choosing to confirm the legitimacy of the injury.

Final medical wrestle off will take place June 27 or 28 during the U23 National Championships being held in St. Catharines.

If the medical wrestle-off is granted, the athletes must be ready to compete by the date set for a wrestle-off. If either the Petitioner or Trials winner is unable to attend, they forfeit their opportunity to wrestle-off.

For the medical wrestle-off, the petitioner must make scratch Canada Games weight. The Trials winner will have a 1 kg. Weight allowance.

For the medical wrestle-off, the petitioner will be down 1 match in the best 2 of 3.

The fee for the medical wrestle off will be equal to the entry fees for the qualifying tournament as well as any additional fees required to conduct the wrestle off.

There will be no extensions to the published date noted above. If the athlete is not able to compete, they will forfeit their opportunity to wrestle-off.



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REMOVAL FROM PROGRAM

A wrestler named to the Canada Summer Games Team may be replaced at any time prior to the Canada Summer Games if any of the following conditions have been met

- I. The athlete is injured post trials and is not healthy enough to compete
The athlete has not maintained his/her training and preparedness for the Games
- II. The athlete is or has been unable to meet the commitment of the CSG Program which includes participation at all camps, team competitions and events
- III. The athlete has been disruptive to the team and has violated any part of the Team's or OAWA's code of Conduct

This clause may be exercised provided that the Canada Games Head Coach or other members of the coaching staff have documented instances that would warrant the athletes removal from the program. Any decision to remove an athlete will be based upon the recommendation form the Games Head Coach and will need to be approved by the OAWA Vice-President, Technical.

In the event that the Trials Champion has been removed from the Team, the First Alternate will be offered the Games spot. If the First Alternate cannot commit or is not fit to compete, the Coaching Staff have the option to select a team member, who is ready to represent Ontario at the Games, provided that they competed at the Team selection event and has been participating in the program leading up to the games. This decision must also be by the unanimous decision of the appropriate Games Team Coach, the OAWA High Performance Manager, and the OAWA Vice-President, Technical.

Decisions made under this Selection Criteria may be appealed under the Procedure for Appeals as listed in the OAWA Code of Conduct. Copies of this Code are available from the OAWA, or on the Association website.