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## Baseball BC High-Performance Program 2023 Pathway Document

### Introduction

The purpose of this document is to provide athletes, parents & guardians, and associations with a comprehensive summary of the Baseball BC high-performance program for the 2023 season. This includes explaining the high-performance pathways for each age division, event dates, selection processes, and camp locations.

The Baseball BC staff contacts for high-performance are:

Male Program – Kyle Williams ([kyle@baseball.bc.ca](mailto:kyle@baseball.bc.ca))

Female Program – Scott MacKenzie ([scottm@baseball.bc.ca](mailto:scottm@baseball.bc.ca))

### Age Divisions

The following table shows the birth and traditional grad year associated with each age division.

<u>Division</u>	<u>Birth Year</u>	<u>Traditional Grad Year</u>
U21*	2002	2020
17U	2006	2024
16U	2007	2025
<b>15U</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2026</b>
14U	2009	2027

\* Only applies to the female high-performance program.



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## Minimum Playing Time

The following minimum playing time standards shall apply to all athletes.

<u>Male Events</u>	<u>Minimum Playing Time</u>
Development Tournaments	Pitchers – One outing Position players – 25% of the defensive innings
Summer Games & Canada Cup	Pitchers – One outing Position players – One start.

<u>Female Events</u>	<u>Minimum Playing Time</u>
Westerns & Nationals	Pitchers – One outing. Position players – One Start

An athlete who is both a pitcher and a position player, need only receive the minimum playing time requirements in one of those capacities, not both.

An outing is defined as 40 pitches.

Unfortunately, a pitcher scheduled to start a medal round game, may not get an opportunity to pitch if the team does not qualify. This would not constitute a violation of this rule.

A position player start is defined as starting the game in a defensive position and being substituted no earlier than the 5<sup>th</sup> inning.

Players who are injured or being disciplined may not receive their minimum playing time.



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## Required Events on the High-Performance Pathway

Regional or Zone Identification Camps are an athlete's entry point for high-performance programming. Unless exempted (as set out below), attendance at these camps is mandatory and athletes cannot receive an invitation to the Provincial Camp (Prospects or Selects) if they do not attend.

The Prospects Camp (14U/15U), Selects Camp (16U/17U), and Female Provincial Camp, are also mandatory events for athletes interested in being selected to Team BC. Unless exempted (as set out below), athletes who do not attend these events in their entirety, are not eligible for provincial team selection.

Athletes who played on the 2022 Baseball BC 15U or 16U male provincial teams are not required to attend the Regional Identification Camp and will receive an automatic invitation to the 2023 Select Camp.

## Camp Exemptions

An athlete who is injured or has another special circumstance may receive an exemption from attending all or part of a required camp.

Athletes currently participating in a Baseball Canada National Team program are eligible to receive camp exemptions.

Special Circumstances: Examples of special circumstances may include, but are not limited to, bereavement, school exams, and previously scheduled/committed college events. Special circumstances do not include, without limitation, scheduling conflicts with other sports, family holidays, and social engagements.

When an athlete is exempted, their evaluation will be based on feedback from coaches and past performance within the high-performance program. Being exempted allows the athlete to progress to the next stage in the high-performance program, but such progression is not guaranteed.

Requests for camp exemptions, outside of emergencies during a camp, must be made prior to the beginning of the camp, by email to the staff contact for high performance (Kyle Williams for male teams & Scott MacKenzie for female teams). Requests cannot be approved by coaches. A doctor's note or other supporting documentation may be required.



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## Provincial Team Coaching Staffs

<u>Team</u>	<u>Head Coach</u>	<u>Assistant Coaches</u>
Male Selects 17U	Cav Whitely	Brooks McNiven Jordan Broatch Sammie Starr
Male 16U	Anthony Pluta & Cav Whitely	Devery Van De Keere Orville Germaine
<b>Male 15U</b>	To be announced after the Baseball BC Summer Games in June.	
<b>Male 14U</b>		
Female 21U	Emily Fournier	TBD
Female 16U	Stacy Fournier	TBD
Female 14U #1	Kristy Watson	TBD
Female 14U #2	Liz Gilder	TBD

## Zone Coordinators – Male 14U/15U

<u>Zone</u>	<u>Zone Coordinator</u>
1 – Kootenays 2 – Thomson Okanagan 7 – Northwest 8 – Cariboo Northeast	Kyle Williams
3 – Fraser Valley	Joe Germaine
4 – Fraser River	Matt Paculan
<b>5 – Vancouver Coastal</b>	<b>Cam Frick</b>
6 – Vancouver Island	Brandon Dornan



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## Male Pathway (14U & 15U)

### **Step One – Attend a Zone Identification Camp**

Baseball BC will hold Zone Identification Camps throughout the province. Athletes must attend one evening camp within their zone, based on where they reside. There will be a minimum of three Zone Identification Camps within each zone.

Use this link below to find your zone: <https://staging.bcgames.org/games/zones/>

The purpose of the Zone Identification Camps is to select athletes for the Baseball BC Summer Games (June 23-25) and Prospects Camp (September 2-4).

For 2023, zones 1, 2, 7, and 8 will be combined into a single zone.

### **Step Two – Attend the Baseball BC Summer Games**

Baseball BC is introducing a new Summer Games event for 2023. Every two years (even years 2022, 2024, etc.), the British Columbia Summer Games Society organizes a multi-sport Summer Games event. One of the challenges with this event for baseball is that athletes who are in the 14U age bracket in the year the event is held, have a limited opportunity to participate because they are competing for roster spots against players who are a year older. Therefore, Baseball BC is creating their own version of the Summer Games in the years (odd years) between the official BC Summer Games events. The Baseball BC version of the Summer Games will look different from the event organized by the BC Summer Games Society in even years. It will be a single sport event, without the non-sports related aspects of the Summer Games. Athletes will be responsible for their own travel, meals, and accommodations.

From a competition standpoint, the Lower Mainland will be split into three zones (Fraser Valley, Fraser River, Vancouver-Coastal). Vancouver Island will be a zone, while the Kootenays, Thompson-Okanagan, North-West, and Cariboo-Northeast will be combined into one zone. Each Zone will select a sixteen player 14U team and a sixteen player 15U team, which will create a five-team tournament in each age division. Each team will play four round robin games and the top two teams will play in the finals. The 14U event will be played on an 80-foot diamond, while the 15U event will be played on a 90-foot diamond.

The Baseball BC Summer Games will be used to select athletes for the Prospects Camp. While it is not a required event on the high-performance pathway, participation is strongly recommended. Both the PBL and BC Minor have committed to support this event by not scheduling league games on the June 23-25 weekend.



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## **Step Three – Attend the Prospects Camp**

The Prospects Camp is an intensive three-day event used to select athletes for Team BC 14U and 15U. Thirty-five athletes in each age category will be invited to the Prospects Camp.

## **Step Four – Play on Team BC 14U or 15U**

Team BC 14U and 15U will each be comprised of 18 athletes. These teams will attend at least one event in September or October.

## **14U/15U - Event Dates & Locations**

Zone ID Camps	April & May	(See table below)
Baseball BC Summer Games	June 23-25	Blundell Park, Richmond
Prospects Camp	September 2-4	South Surrey Athletic Park, Surrey

## **14U/15U - Event Selection Dates**

Baseball BC Summer Games	June 1
Prospects Camp	July 31
Team BC 14U/15U	September 5

## **14U/15U - Event Costs**

Zone ID Camp	\$50
Baseball BC Summer Games	\$200
Prospects Camp	\$350
Team BC 14U/15U	TBD



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## 14U/15U - Zone Identification Camp Schedule

Athletes must pre-register for these camps using the following link:

<https://baseball.bc.ca/highperformance>

**Athletes must register for a camp within the zone in which they reside. Athletes only attend one camp.**

Registration will open on **April 1, 2023** and will be limited to 30 athletes per camp.

<u>Zone</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
1 – Kootenays 2 – Thomson Okanagan 7 – Northwest 8 – Cariboo Northeast	Saturday April 22	1:00-4:00	Confederation Park, Cranbrook
	Sunday April 23	10:00-1:00	Butler Park, Trail
	Wednesday April 26	5:00-8:00	McNicholl Field, Penticton
	Wednesday May 10	5:00-8:00	Elks Stadium, Kelowna
	Saturday May 27	12:00-3:00	Rotary Field, Prince George
3 – Fraser Valley	Tuesday April 18	5:00-8:00	McLeod Park, Langley
	Thursday April 27	5:00-8:00	Larry Walker, Maple Ridge
	Tuesday May 9	5:00-8:00	Fairfield Island, Chilliwack
4 – Fraser River	Tuesday April 18	5:00-8:00	Hillcrest Park, Cloverdale
	Thursday April 27	5:00-8:00	Mundy Park, Coquitlam
	Tuesday May 9	5:00-8:00	South Surrey Athletic, Surrey
5 – Vancouver Coastal	Tuesday April 18	5:00-8:00	Winskill Park, Delta
	Thursday April 27	5:00-8:00	Latrace Park, Richmond
	Tuesday May 9	5:00-8:00	Parkgate, North Vancouver
6 – Vancouver Island	Tuesday April 11	5:00-8:00	Serauxmen Stadium, Nanaimo
	Thursday April 27	5:00-8:00	Evans Park, Duncan
	Tuesday May 9	5:00-8:00	Henderson Park, Victoria

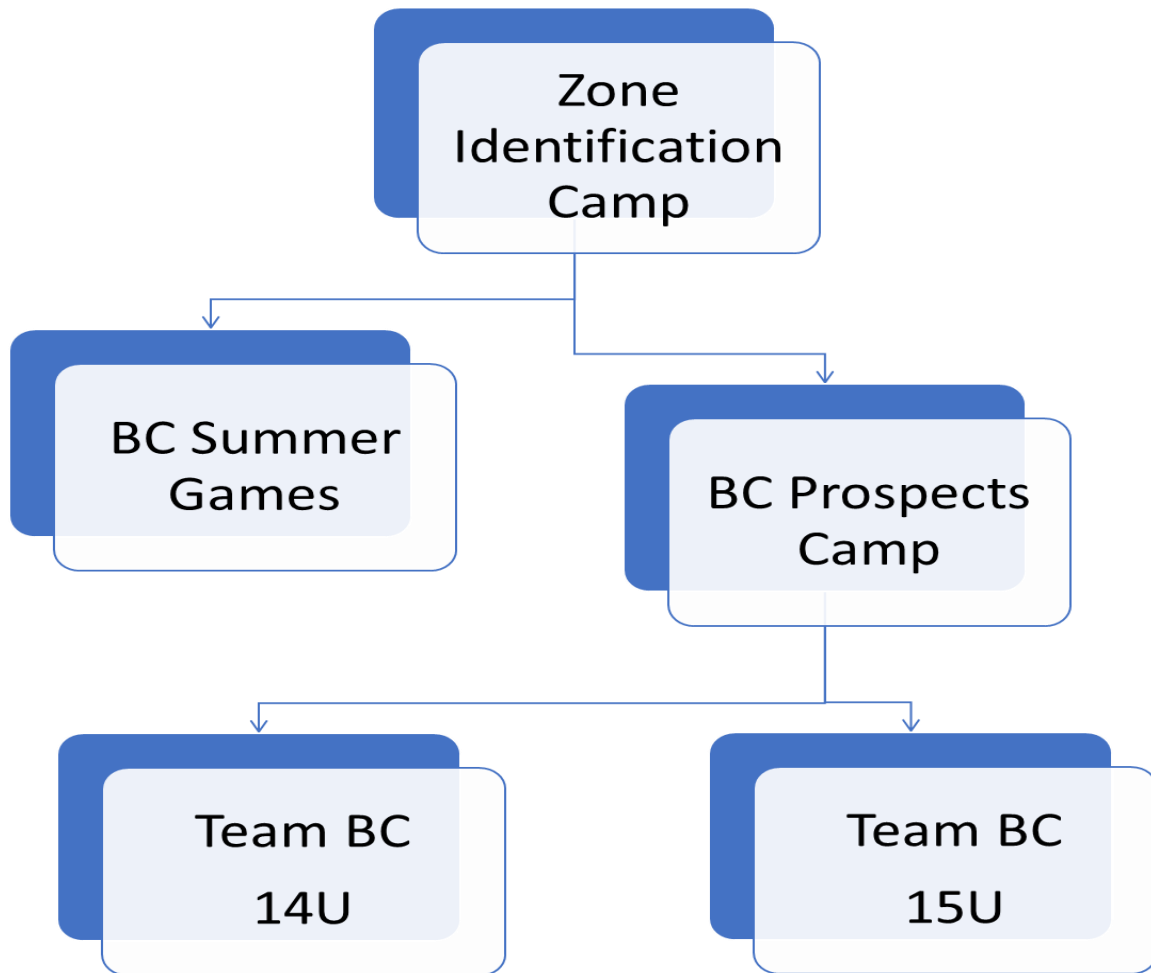


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## Male High-Performance Pathway 14U & 15U







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## Male Pathway (16U & 17U)

### **Step One – Attend a Regional Identification Camp**

Baseball BC will hold eight Regional Identification Camps throughout the province. Athletes must attend one of these camps. The purpose of the Regional Identification Camps is to select athletes for the Select Camp.

Athletes who played on the 2022 Baseball BC 15U or 16U male provincial teams do not attend Regional Identification Camps and progress directly to the Selects Camp.

### **Step Two – Attend the Selects Camp**

The Select Camp is an intensive four-day event used to select athletes for Team BC 16U and 17U. Thirty-five athletes in each age category will be invited to the Select Camp.

### **Step Three – Play on Team BC 16U or 17U**

Team BC 16U and 17U will each be comprised of 20 athletes. The 17U Select team plays in the Baseball Canada Cup, while the 16U team plays in an event on the Labour Day weekend in Alberta.

### **16U/17U - Event Dates & Locations**

Regional ID Camps	April & May	(See table below)
Selects Camp	July 4-7	Whalley Stadium, Surrey
Canada Cup (17U)	August 9-13	Regina, Saskatchewan
Tournament	September 1-4	TBD, Alberta

### **16U/17U - Event Selection Dates**

Select Camp	June 15
Select Team (17U)	July 10
Team BC (16U)	July 10

### **16U/17U - Event Costs**

Regional ID Camp	\$50
Select Camp	\$400
Team BC 16U/17U	TBD



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## 16U/17U - Regional Identification Camp Schedule

Athletes must pre-register for these camps using the following link:

<https://baseball.bc.ca/highperformance>

**Athletes may register for any camp. Residence does not matter. Athletes only attend one camp.**

Registration will open on **April 1, 2023** and will be limited to 30 athletes per camp.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Thursday April 20	5:00-8:00	South Surrey Athletic, Surrey
Tuesday May 2	5:00-8:00	Henderson Park, Victoria
Tuesday May 2	5:00-8:00	McLeod Park, Langley
Wednesday May 3	5:00-8:00	Elks Stadium, Kelowna
Thursday May 11	5:00-8:00	Larry Walker Park, Maple Ridge
Thursday May 11	5:00-8:00	Serauxmen Stadium, Nanaimo
Tuesday May 16	5:00-8:00	Parkgate Park, North Vancouver
Tuesday May 30	5:00-8:00	Mundy Park, Coquitlam



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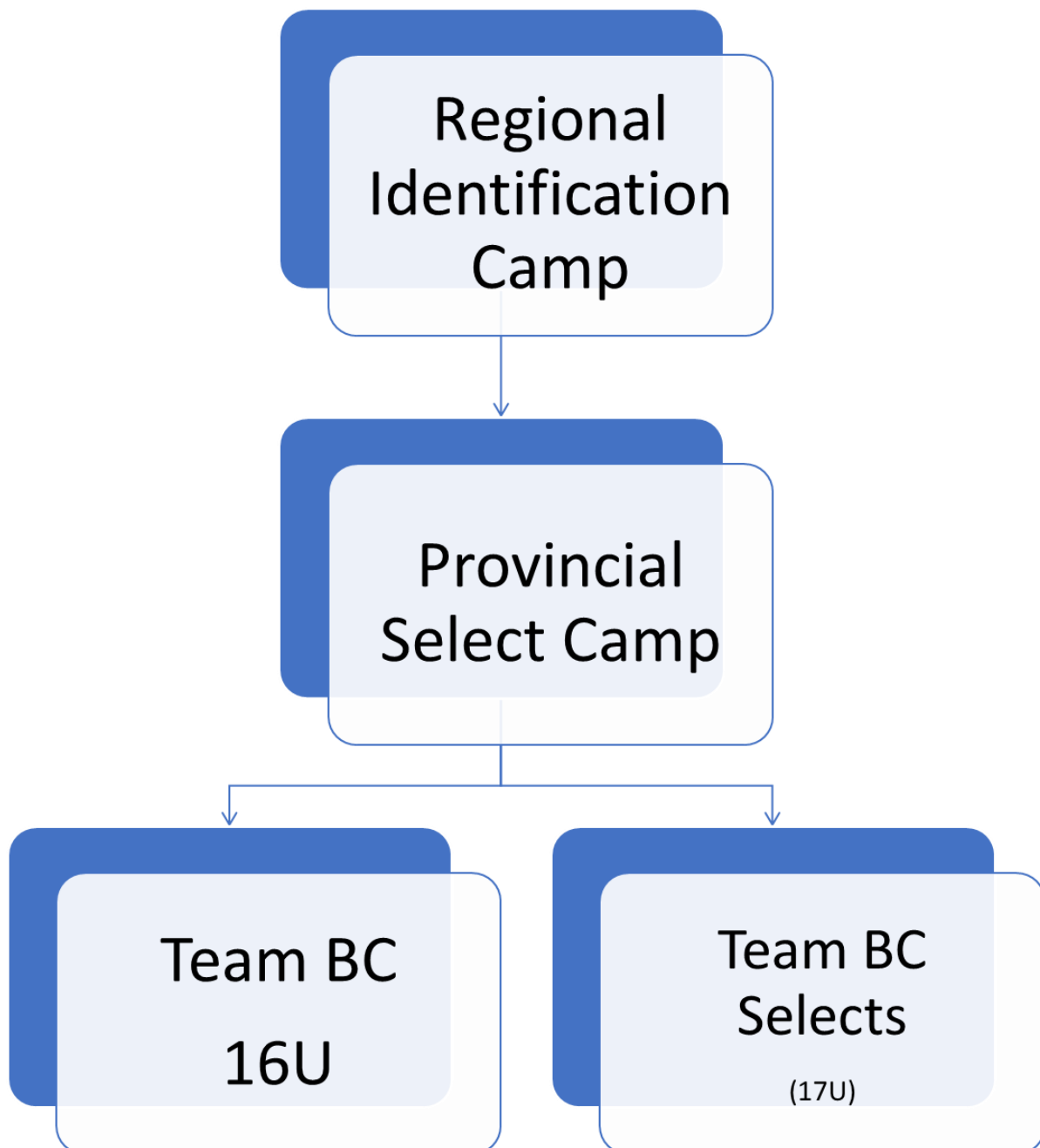
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## Male High-Performance Pathway 16U & 17U





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## Female Pathway (14U & 16U & 21U)

### Step One – Attend a Regional Identification Camp

Baseball BC will hold Regional Identification Camps throughout the province. Athletes must attend one of these camps. The purpose of the Regional Identification Camps is to select athletes for the Provincial Camp.

### Step Two – Attend the Provincial Camp

The Provincial Camp is an intensive four-day event used to select athletes for Team BC 14U, 16U, and 21U.

### Step Three – Play on the Provincial Team

The 14U Provincial team attends the Western Canada Championships. Two teams will be formed in 2023. The 16U and 21U Provincial teams attend the National Championships.

### Event Dates & Locations

Provincial Camp	July 10-13	Whalley Stadium
Western Canada Championships (14U)	August 18-20	Richmond, British Columbia
National Championships (16U)	August 24-27	Summerside, PEI
National Championships (21U)	August 10-13	Saint John's, Nfld
National Championships (Open)	July 27-30	Hammonds Plains, NS

### Selection Dates

Provincial Camp	June 20
Team BC 14U	July 14
Team BC 16U	July 14
Team BC 21U	July 14

### 14U/16U/21U - Event Costs

Regional ID Camp	\$50
Provincial Camp	\$400
Team BC 14U/16U/21U	TBD



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## Female Regional Identification Camp Schedule

Athletes must pre-register for these camps using the following link:

<https://baseball.bc.ca/highperformance>

Registration will open on **April 1, 2023** and will be limited to 30 athletes per camp.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Wednesday April 17	7:00-8:30	Island Training Center, Victoria
Saturday April 22	1:00-4:00	Confederation Park, Cranbrook
Sunday April 23	10:00-1:00	Butler Park, Trail
Sunday May 7	TBD	Mt. Boucherie Main, W Kelowna
Tuesday May 9	5:30-8:00	Kensington Park, Burnaby
Saturday May 13	12:30-2:30	MacArthur Island, Kamloops
Saturday May 13	12:00-4:00	Walker/Hammond, Maple Ridge
Tuesday May 16	5:30-8:00	Kensington, Burnaby
Saturday May 20	TBD	Evans, Duncan
Saturday May 27	12:00-3:00	Rotary Field, Prince George



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## Female High-Performance Pathway

