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2010 ONTARIO WINTER GAMES

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Ontario Winter Games – 2009/2010 Season

Administrative Process

All formal negotiations with Ministry officials and Games Organizing Committee officials with respect to the Association's participation is the responsibility of the Director at the Board's direction.

The Officials Development Committee is responsible for selecting all officials including, at its discretion, a chief supervising official who shall act as an advisor to the Meet Co-ordinator.

Any forms required by the Games Officials with respect to participation by coaches, athletes, and officials will be processed by the office which will be responsible for the dissemination to the clubs in a timely manner.

The clubs will be responsible for obtaining the completed forms and returning them to the office in a timely matter.

Compilation of rooming lists shall be the responsibility of the Meet Co-ordinator. However, the office will carry out any liaison on these matters with the Games' officials.

Any fees required shall be forwarded by the skater to the office upon receipt of the final Competitors List by the skater.

Selection Criteria – Ontario Winter Games

Coaches are to be chosen on the basis of qualifications held in order to either provide mentoring to less qualified coaches, or those who have proven themselves as worthy of mentoring by more seasoned coaches.

Managers are to be chosen on the basis of the number, age and gender of the athletes selected to participate and will be expected to be qualified in accordance with OSSA policy.

Athletes are to be chosen on the basis of provincial standing and will represent different areas of the Province but skate as individual athletes. In this instance, speed skating is not a team sport.

Athletes will be selected for the Games based on their combined 500m and 1000m times skated during the first three events of the Ontario Cup short track racing series, and / or participation at the Canadian Junior Short Track Championship, and / or participation at the Canadian Senior Qualifier and Trials of the 2009/2010 season.

Skaters qualified on the basis of entry times will be seeded for all distances on their combined 500m and 1000m time.

Selection:

Classification: Elite Open Class with a maximum of 64 entries.
32 male and 32 female

Age: 13 – 18 years (Second Year juveniles to Senior 1990)
Note: as of July 1 (prior to the skating season.)

Seeding: Skaters will be seeded for the first distance on their combined 500m and 1000m times.

Eligibility: Listings will be provided on January 4, 2010

Confirmation of Entries: Skaters are **required to confirm their intent to participate in writing** to OSSA by January 11th

PLEASE NOTE: Entries **NOT confirmed by this time** will be allocated to the next ranked eligible skater. Alternates will be notified by January 15th.

Online registrations: To be completed by January 21st.

If an athlete enters and is then forced to withdraw due to illness, injury etc, their position will automatically be offered to the next eligible skater. If the withdrawal is made within seven (7) days of the event only the next eligible athlete in the ranking list will be offered the vacant position. If this athlete declines then the position will not be offered any further and the position will be declared vacant.

Point Classification after the completion of each distance:

<u>Place</u>	<u>pts</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>pts</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>pts</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>pts</u>
1	1000	9	196	17	37	25	5
2	816	10	160	18	30	26	4
3	666	11	130	19	24	27	3
4	543	12	106	20	19	28	2
5	443	13	86	21	15	29	1.5
6	362	14	70	22	12	30	1
7	295	15	57	23	9	31	0.5
8	241	16	46	24	7	32	0

Format: Competition run in the same format as the Junior and Senior Canadian Trails
 Competition format: Day 1: 1500m and 500m
 Day 2: 1000m and 3000m relay women and men

Composition of the Heats (1500m)

1500m Heats						
Distance	A	B	C	D	E	F
Seedings	1	2	3	4	5	6
	12	11	10	9	8	7
	13	14	15	16	17	18
	24	23	22	21	20	19
	25	26	27	28	29	30
					32	31

If starting numbers are reduced from 32, the Technical Committee Committee elected members in attendance will determine the most suitable number of heats to ensure the fairest racing conditions.

Composition of Semi-finals (1500m)

Top Bracket

The top 3 skaters from each of the 6 heats will be placed into the top bracket (final ranks 1-18) and seeded into 3 semi-finals (A, B, C) as described below.

Bottom Bracket

The remaining skaters from each of the 6 heats will be placed into the bottom bracket (final ranks 19-32) and seeded into 2 semi-finals (D, E) as described below.

Rank From 1st Round	Top Bracket				Bottom Bracket	
	A	B	C		D	E
	1	2	3		19	20
	6	5	4		22	21
	7	8	9		23	24
	12	11	10		26	25
	13	14	15		27	28
	18	17	16		30	29
					31	32

Composition of Finals (1500m)

Final A: 1st and 2nd of Semis A, B and C

Final B: 3rd and 4th of Semis A, B and C

Final C: Remaining skaters from Semis A, B and C

Final D: 1st , 2nd and 3rd from Semis D and E, + fastest 4th from semis D and E (7 skaters)

Final E: Remaining skaters from Semis D and E

Composition of Heats (500m and 1000m)

Distance Seeding	500m and 1000m Heats							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9
	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	

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Composition of Quarter-finals (500m and 1000m)

Top Bracket

The top 2 skaters from each of the 8 heats will be placed into the top bracket (final ranks 1-16 or lower depending on the number of advancements in the heats) and seeded into 4 quarter-finals (A, B, C, D) as described below.

Bottom Bracket

The remaining skaters from each of the 8 heats will be placed into the bottom bracket (final ranks 17-32) and seeded into 4 quarter-finals (E, F G, H) as described below.

	Quarter Finals Top Bracket					Quarter Finals Bottom Bracket			
Rank From 1st Round	A	B	C	D		E	F	G	H
	1	2	3	4		17	18	19	20
	8	7	6	5		24	23	22	21
	9	10	11	12		25	26	27	28
	16	15	14	13		32	31	30	29

Composition of Semi-Finals (500m and 1000m)

Top Bracket

The top 2 skaters from each of the 4 top bracket quarter-finals will be seeded into the top 2 semi-finals (A, B; final ranks 1-8 or lower depending on the number of advancements in the quarter-finals) as described above.

The remaining skaters from each of the 4 top bracket quarter-finals will be seeded into the next 2 semi-finals (C, D; final ranks 9-16 or lower depending on the number of advancements in the heats and quarter-finals) as described below.

Bottom Bracket

The top 2 skaters from each of the 4 bottom bracket quarter-finals will be seeded into the top 2 bottom bracket semi-finals (E, F; final ranks 17-24) as described above.

The remaining skaters from each of the 4 bottom bracket quarter-finals will be seeded into the last 2 semi-finals (G, H; final ranks 25-32) as described below.

	Semi - Finals Top Bracket					Semi - Finals Bottom Bracket			
Rank From Quarter Finals	A	B	C	D		E	F	G	H
	1	2	9	10		17	18	25	26
	4	3	12	11		20	19	28	27
	5	6	13	14		21	22	29	30
	8	7	16	15		24	23	32	31

Composition of Finals (500m and 1000m)

Final A: 1st and 2nd skaters from Semis A and B

Final B: Remaining skaters from Semis A and B

Final C: 1st and 2nd skaters from Semis C and D

Final D: Remaining skaters from Semis C and D

Final E: 1st and 2nd skaters from Semis E and F

Final F: Remaining skaters from Semis E and F

Final G: 1st and 2nd skaters from Semis G and H

Final H: Remaining skaters from Semis G and H

If there are more than 6 skaters in Final D, a Final D-2 will be held containing the 5th and 6th place finishers from Semi-finals C and D. This is to prevent too many skaters in Final D, a situation that could arise if there are numerous advancements into the top bracket in the heats and quarterfinals. In the case where a Final D-2 is held, the points for Finals E-H will be adjusted downwards to account for the extra skaters in Final D-2.

Composition of relay teams.

The top 16 ranked skaters following the first 3 distances of each competition (500m, 1000m, 1500m) will be eligible to compete in the relay event. If any of the top 16 ranked skaters are unable to participate, the relay teams will be filled by going down the ranking list.

The relay teams will be composed on the basis of rankings as follows:

Team A – 1, 8, 9, 16

Team B – 2, 7, 10, 15

Team C – 3, 6, 11, 14

Team D – 4, 5, 12, 13

Awards

Medals will be awarded to the first three finishers in the primary final of each event.

Medals will be awarded to the first three relay teams.