



2024 ONTARIO WINTER GAMES SELECTION CRITERIA: MAJOR TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

The purpose of this document is to outline the criteria that shall be used to select the Major Technical Officials for the 2024 Ontario Winter Games. It will also serve to outline a fair and transparent process used to identify and select Major Technical Officials for this event.

Ontario Winter Games Dates (Ringette Competition)

- February 16-19, 2024 in Thunder Bay, ON.

Self-Identification Process

Individuals who wish to be considered for the 2024 Ontario Winter Games as an on-ice official, supervisor, or shot clock operator must complete a self-identification process.

The deadline to submit your self-identification form is **November 5, 2023**

Click here to self-identify: <https://forms.office.com/r/uc9TJjtaq7>

Eligibility Criteria

All officials must be able to travel to Thunder Bay (travel costs covered) departing on February 15th and returning the evening of February 19th.

On-Ice Official: A minimum of 3B in the Ringette Canada database as of December 15, 2023. As this event is used as a development event for our athletes, it will also serve as a development event for our on-ice officials.

On-Ice Officials must:

- Not have participated as an official in the 2023 Ontario Winter Games
- Be a registered official for the 2023-24 season and in good standing with Ringette Ontario;
- Be available to travel to and attend the OWG Event in its entirety (travel dates projected to be February 15 and February 19);
- Be available to attend the AAA Development Camp December 15-17 in Kitchener, ON.
- Complete the self-identification process as outlined above.

Supervisors must:

- Be a current Provincial Evaluator
- Not have participated as an official in the 2023 Ontario Winter Games
- Be a registered official for the 2023-24 season and in good standing with Ringette Ontario;
- Be available to travel to and attend the OWG Event in its entirety (travel dates projected to be February 15 and February 19);

Shot Clock Operators must:

- Have attended the AA Provincial Championships as a shot clock operator within the last 4 years;
- Be a registered official for the 2023-24 season and in good standing with Ringette Ontario;
- Be available to travel to and attend the OWG Event in its entirety (travel dates projected to be February 15 and February 19);

Active Participation 2023-24 Season

In order to remain eligible for their participation in the 2024 Ontario Winter Games, major technical officials shall be expected to remain active leading up to the event.

Exceptional Circumstances

Major Technical Officials may request an exemption to remain eligible for selection to an event. The Operations Director, the Chair of the Officiating Development Committee, and the Executive Director may authorize the exemption upon their joint discretion. An exemption may be granted unable to participate in mandatory events, or evaluations due to illness, injury, other medical circumstance or personal, educational, or competitive commitments.

If unforeseen circumstances arise which do not allow for the set selection process or its timelines to be implemented as planned, the Operations Director reserves the right to identify an alternate process or alternate timelines. Should this occur, self-identified major technical officials will be notified of these changes in a timely manner.

Exemption requests should be made to Ringette Ontario's Operations Director. All requests must be submitted in writing and shall be dealt with in no less than seven business days. Exemptions shall be treated on a case-by-case basis.

Maximum Positions Available

On-Ice Official: 6

Supervisor: 2

Shot Clock Operator: 2

Selection Process

1. A list of self-identified individuals will be reviewed by the Officiating Development Committee and a ranking list will be compiled by November 15, 2023. This will be done using:
 - a. Current officiating rank
 - b. Experience
 - c. Opportunity for development
3. Invitations to the event will be sent starting no later than November 22, 2023. The invitation process will be completed by November 29, 2023
4. A complete list of confirmed major technical officials will be released on Ringette Ontario social media channels no later than January 31, 2024

Appeals

Any appeal against a decision can be made in accordance with Ringette Ontario's [Appeal Policy](#).