

BLACK KNIGHT Jr HP A Championships - April 17-19, 2020

Procedure to be used by the ODBA to identify “wildcard” participants

References:

[A. Junior A Provincial Championships Qualifications Guidelines](#)

[B. ODBA policy on financial assistance to juniors](#)

[C. Badminton Ontario Junior Ranking](#)

Introduction

At the beginning of the 2009-2010 season, the Ontario Badminton Association (OBA) changed the qualification guidelines for participation in the Junior A Championships. Contrary to previous years, it is no longer possible to earn a qualification through participation in the Provincial Junior B/C Championships. Instead, as described in the document in [ref A](#) or shown below, the OBA adjusted the number of players who qualify through provincial ranking points and gave each of the 6 districts the right to identify additional players to take part in this event.

Any athlete from your district that did not qualify by achieving 3500 points or more can be nominated by the District to participate in the Jr HP A Championships. The latest ranking publication was posted and will be used to classify athletes for the current season Jr Championships:

<https://badmintoncanada.tournamentsoftware.com/ranking/ranking.aspx?id=13086>

Each District Member Association of Badminton Ontario may nominate athletes to participate in the Junior (A) HP Championships who did not qualify by points. Badminton Ontario must receive all nominations from the District seven (7) days before the registration deadline. Badminton Ontario will respect the nomination process set by each District.

Districts may nominate up to six (6) U19 Boys, six (6) U19 Girls, six (6) U17 Boys, six (6) U17 Girls, six (6) U15 Boys, six (6) U15 Girls, six (6) U13 Boys, and six (6) U13 Girls.

This document explains the process to be used by the ODBA to identifying these additional players from the Ottawa District. Please also note that players who participated in Provincial Junior A Championship will not be allowed to participate in Provincial Junior B/C Championship.

Selection Process

The allocation of wildcards will be made amongst players who indicate their interest in participating in this event. In cases where more than one player or team is interested in participating in a given event, the following steps will be applied in sequence to determine the one player or team that will get the wildcard. (Note that these will be applied in sequence similarly to a tie breaking procedure.)

Step 1: Players or teams who have participated in High Performance tournaments during the season and therefore have earned provincial ranking points (however not enough to qualify based on points) will be allocated wildcards. If more than one player or team fits this criterion, the one who has earned the most provincial ranking points (ref C) in the event will get the wildcard. For doubles and mixed events, the team with the highest total of combined points in the subject event will get the wildcard.

Step 2: If previous steps did not determine which interested player or team earns the wildcard, district ranking results will be looked at next.

Note. Players must note that participation in the Junior A Championships with a wildcard does not mean that the cost of participating in this tournament will be covered by the ODBA. The only financial contribution provided by the ODBA to participants in this tournament is as prescribed by the district's policy on financial assistance to juniors at [ref B](#). In addition, the eligibility rules identified by the OBA apply (player must have a valid OBA card).

Procedure for players

Players or teams interested in being considered for the allocation of wildcard participations in the Provincial Junior A Championships shall send an email to indicate their interests to the Director of Junior Player Development **no later than midnight on Mar 15, 2020**. This email shall indicate the event(s) in which the player or team is interested in as well as information below.

Last Name	First Name	BON ID	Year born	Gender	Age Group	Event	Partner	Club

The Director of Junior Player Development will maintain a log of players and teams who indicated their interest. Once the OBA confirms the list of players who qualified based on the final provincial ranking, any ODBA player or team already qualified on points for a given event will be removed from the list and the procedure described herein will be used to identify who gets the wildcard participation amongst the remaining interested players for each event.

Note. Wildcards for doubles and mixed events will be granted to teams, not to individual players. Players must indicate who their partner is when they communicate their interest play together if they are granted a wildcard. As soon as a conclusion is reached on the allocation of wildcards, the list of players and teams will be communicated to the OBA and the players concerned will be notified. Players who were allocated wildcards will then be able to register for the Junior A through the OBA web site. The log will also be updated to indicate who was allocated the wildcard participation for each event. Any question or concerns related to this process should be communicated to the Director of Junior Player Development at the email indicated below.

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