



Skate Canada PEI Qualifying Procedure for the 2026 Skate Canada Trophy

Effective for the 2025-2026 Skating Season.

1. Introduction

This document outlines the qualification process for Skate Canada Prince Edward Island (SCPEI) athletes aiming to compete at the 2026 Skate Canada Trophy, scheduled to take place in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, from February 5-8, 2026.

2. Qualifying Event Details

- Event: Skate Canada PEI Sectionals
- Date: November 21-23, 2025
- Location: Held in conjunction with the Robert McCall Memorial Competition in Upper Tantallon, Nova Scotia.
- Purpose: The Sectionals serve as the qualifying event for the Skate Canada Trophy.

3. Qualification Criteria

3.1. Automatic Selection

- Top Finishers: Skaters who finish first, second, or third in their category at the Skate Canada PEI Sectionals will be selected to the team, provided they have met the Skate Canada Trophy Qualifying Minimum Score (QMS).

3.2. Qualifying Minimum Scores (QMS)

For the 2025-2026 season, the QMS for Women's categories are as follows:

- Pre-Novice Women: 22.0
- Novice Women: 27.5

3.3.3. Definition of QMS

- The Qualifying Minimum Score (QMS) is defined as the Technical Element Score (TES) achieved in the Free Program, before any bonuses or deductions.



4. Additional Selection Considerations

4.1. Skaters Not Meeting QMS at Sectionals

- If no skater finishing in the top three at the Sectionals has met the QMS:
 - Any skater who has previously met the QMS since July 1, 2025, will be considered for the team.

4.2. Additional Entries

- If any skater has met the Skate Canada QMS:
 - Additional entries must also meet the Skate Canada QMS, as per Skate Canada rules.

4.3. Minimum Score Requirement

- No skater who has not met the Skate Canada PEI minimum score of 17.5 for Pre-Novice Women will be considered for the team, regardless of their placement at Sectionals.

5. Policies and Funding Eligibility

5.1. Application

- All qualifying skaters are subject to Skate PEI policies, including the Residency & Funding Policy, which determine eligibility for team support and financial assistance.
- Funding eligibility is a separate process from athlete eligibility. Meeting athlete eligibility criteria (quota, QMS, minimum TES, etc.) does not guarantee funding support.

5.2. Criteria for Funding Consideration

To be considered for funding, an athlete must:

- Meet all SCPEI Athlete Eligibility Requirements.
- Have competed as an eligible Skate Canada PEI athlete for at least one full competitive skating season.

5.3. Decision-Making Process

- The SCPEI Board may consult with the Skate Canada High Performance Department for suggestions during both athlete selection and funding eligibility reviews.
- Final decisions regarding athlete selection, funding eligibility, and any exception requests rest with the SCPEI Board.
- Any decisions on exceptions will be made at the sole discretion of the Board and communicated directly to the affected skater(s)/family.

5.4. Support for Eligible Athletes



- Skate PEI will cover the Skate Canada Trophy entry fee and provide a team jacket for attending skaters.
- Funding support may include a travel subsidy and accommodation expenses support (e.g., up to \$700/skater) for athletes who meet the policy requirements and are approved by the SCPEI Board.

6. Appeal Process

- Written Appeal:
 - Athletes deemed ineligible may submit a written appeal to the SCPEI Board within 14 days of the decision.
- Review and Consultation:
 - The Board will review the appeal and may consult with the Skate Canada High Performance Department for additional input.
- Final Decision:
 - A final decision will be communicated in writing within 30 days.
 - All decisions made by the SCPEI Board are final.

7. Important Notes

- Consistency in QMS Definition:
 - The QMS is consistently defined as the Technical Element Score (TES) in the Free Program, before any bonuses or deductions.
- Skater Responsibility:
 - It is the responsibility of the skaters and coaches to be aware of the QMS and to monitor their scores throughout the qualifying period.

8. Contact Information

For questions or further clarification regarding the qualifying procedure, please contact:

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