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## **BC Sport Cheer Association High Performance Policy**

### **Preamble**

This policy outlines the requirements for the BC Sport Cheer High Performance Program.

### **1) Definitions**

- a) Within the bounds of this policy the below terms are defined as follows:
  - i) “Athlete” — refers to the athletes being considered for the BC High Performance program.
  - ii) “BCSC Provincials” – refers to the annual provincial cheerleading competition hosted by BC Sport Cheer.
  - iii) “Criteria” and “HP Program Criteria” – refers to the evaluation criteria outlined by CSI Pacific and BC Sport Cheer for participation in the HP program. The criteria can be found on the BCSC Website. ([Co Ed Criteria](#)) ([Group Stunt Criteria](#))
  - iv) “Home Program” — refers to the all star or scholastic program to which an athlete belongs.
  - v) “HP” and “HP Policy” – Refer to the High Performance program hosted jointly by BC Sport Cheer and the Canadian Sports Institute Pacific.
  - vi) “Injury” — refers to a serious injury which prevents an athlete from training and/or competing.
  - vii) “Organization” — refers to the BC Sport Cheer Association, or its representatives, including but not limited to, board of directors, staff, contractors, and committee members.

### **2) Purpose**

- a) This policy outlines the eligibility criteria and conditions for participation in the BC Sport Cheer High Performance Program. This policy also describes the circumstances under which exemptions to the policy will be granted.

### **3) Procedures**

#### **a) Eligibility Criteria**

- i) To qualify for the BCSC HP Program, athletes must meet the HP Program Criteria. The criteria can be found on the BCSC Website. ([Co Ed Criteria](#)) ([Group stunt Criteria](#))

#### **b) Exemptions**

- i) Any BCSC members who wish to apply to the HP program, but are unable to attend BC Provincials may ask for exemption of participation from the organization.

- ii) The only purpose of exemption must be either due to:
  - (1) Injury (a doctor's note is required).
  - (2) Participation in a Team Canada camp occurring on the same date as BCSC Provincials.
  - (3) Attendance with their home program at NCA, UCA, or ICU competitions occurring on the same date as BCSC Provincials.
- iii) There are no exemptions granted if an athlete's home program decides not to attend provincials.
- iv) *It is the responsibility of the athlete or their home program to request an exemption from BCSC, provided the circumstances align with the criteria outlined in the HP Policy. Exemptions should be via a written request detailing name, home program and reason for exemption sent to [info@bcsportcheer.ca](mailto:info@bcsportcheer.ca).*