



2009 Canadian National Biathlon Championships: Team Alberta Masters' Selection Criteria

Preamble

Master athletes will be offered two categories at the 2009 Canadian National Biathlon Championships: Master Men 35+, and Master Women 35+. In both categories, athletes will be required to ski with their rifles.

Biathlon Canada has set an expectation that only *qualified* Master athletes compete at the National Championships.

Selection Criteria

To qualify for Sanctioning to the National Championships, Masters 35+ athletes must finish within *80%* of the *highest-ranked eligible competitor* at any one of the following three events:

- Calforex Cup #2, Canmore
- Calforex Cup #3, Camrose
- Calforex Cup #4, Grande Prairie

Athletes attaining the 80% or higher criteria at one of the selection events automatically qualify for sanctioning, and are asked to notify Biathlon Alberta by February 28th, 2009 of their intention to attend National Championships. Athletes who are close to 80% in the selection process may apply to Biathlon Alberta to attend National Championships. The selection committee will review the list of applications and, in consultation with the athlete and his/her club coach, make a decision on the athlete's eligibility.

At The Event:

Biathlon Alberta will register Master athletes and lead Team Alberta and on the field-of-play. Masters athletes are responsible for their own logistical arrangements (transportation and accommodation) in cooperation with Team Alberta.

Costs:

Selected Master Athletes will be responsible for all costs associated with attending the National Championships, including registration, waxing, coaching support, accommodation and transportation. An optional Team Alberta racing suit will be available for purchase.

Percentage Calculation:

Percentages for each competition will be based on a percentage of the fastest time *by an*

Alberta athlete aged 35+ in the category under consideration, as follows:

For categories with one (1) entrant, the winner will be awarded a maximum of 90%.

For categories with two (2) entrants, the winner will be awarded a maximum of 95%.

For categories with three (3) or more entrants, the winner will be awarded a maximum of 100%

Example:

Winner-time = 20:00 min.; Athlete-time = 22:00 min

Percent = $20/22 * 100 = 90.90$

Percentages will be rounded to 2 decimal places.