



IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND FAQs TEAM BC AT THE 2017 NORTH AMERICAN INDIGENOUS GAMES

TEAM BC FEE:

Team BC Athletes will be required to pay a fee to participate in NAIG. The amount of this fee is yet to be determined as we await confirmation of the level of funding support from the Province of BC. However, we expect that **athletes will need to prepare for the Team BC fee to be a minimum of \$400 with potential to be higher**. We anticipate confirmation of the fee by end of March at which time we will also begin the online NAIG registration process.

Athletes will be required to pay the fee (amount tbc) by April 15, 2017 to affirm your commitment. In the meantime, while we await confirmation of the fee amount and release the registration process, please begin preparing for this step.

What does the Team BC fee include? This fee will cover:

- 2017 NAIG Participant Fee \$220/athlete
- Air Transportation to/from Toronto from designated major departure hub (e.g. Vancouver-YVR) on the Team BC Charter flights.
- Accommodations in Toronto
- Daily meals in Toronto
- Transportation to and from competition venues
- Opening Ceremony outfit
- Team BC competition uniform

Expenses not covered by the Team BC fee include:

- Transportation to and from the major departure hub
- Meals while traveling en route to/from Toronto (ie. no meal service on the charter flights)
- “spending” money (e.g. souvenirs, snacks)
- Travel expenses to participate in any pre-NAIG training camp with your team.
- For insurance purposes, some select sports may also require 2017 membership fee with the Provincial Sport Organization (PSO).
- Accessories or equipment required for your sport (e.g. shin guards, mouth guards, pads)

Payment Options: When the fee is confirmed in March and fee submission options are activated, the payment options will include credit card or paypal, cheque or money order.

FUNDRAISING LETTER:

Team BC understands the financial commitment it takes to participate at the 2017 NAIG. Individual athletes may use a template fundraising support letter in their pursuit of personal fundraising within their community/region. The letter confirms their participation in the Team BC program and can be presented to potential donors/supporters (e.g. Band, local businesses, friends/family) requesting support. Please find the letter enclosed, or, you may request a copy from your team manager.



TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM TORONTO:

Team BC athletes and coaches will travel together as a team to and from Toronto via flights arranged by our Operations Team departing from and returning to a designated major departure hub (e.g. Vancouver-YVR) with anticipated **departure on either Friday, July 14 or Saturday, July 15 and return on Sunday, July 23 (possibility that return travel may occur on late evening Saturday, July 22)**. Athletes will need to arrange for transportation to get themselves to/from the departure hub.

Please note that the Team BC charters are from Team BC athletes and coaches only. Parents and family members wishing to travel to Toronto to watch the Games will need to make their own transportation arrangements.

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS:

Team BC athletes and coaches all stay together in the Athlete Villages (athlete/coach accommodations). Athletes and coaches will be required to stay with their team for the duration of the Games. The Toronto 2017 Host Society arranges all of the accommodations for all contingents and the assignments for the various teams are determined based on their sport and proximity to competition venue. Thus, Team BC athletes and coaches will be housed at either York University, Humber College, Durham College (all located in Toronto), or at McMaster University in Hamilton depending on the sport. The accommodations at each of the colleges/universities consist of dormitory rooms (single bed in a single room with shared bathrooms and common areas) and floors are segregated by gender with chaperones/coaches assigned to each floor.

Parents and families are encouraged and welcome to attend the Games to support their athletes, however, they are not permitted to stay in the Athlete Villages. Parents or family members will need to arrange their own accommodations. The Toronto NAIG Host Society has established a 'Family & Friends' rate at various recommended accommodation options. Visit their website at the following link for more information: <http://naig2017.to/en/visitor-information/accommodations>.

Please note that there is a fee to attend the 2017 NAIG Opening Ceremony as a spectator, however, competition events will be free for spectators to enjoy.

SAFETY & SECURITY:

Athlete safety is of utmost importance to Team BC. The respective coaching staff (coaches, managers) and any additional chaperones assigned to a sport team are responsible for the supervision of their athletes. Ratios of coaching staff to athletes within each sport is 1:4 to 1:5.

In addition, it is mandatory for all Team BC personnel (coaches, managers, chaperones, mission staff, medical personnel) to undergo criminal record and vulnerable sector checks. The failure of any participant in obtaining or passing the required criminal record or vulnerable sector check will result in that individual being ineligible for the 2017 NAIG.



ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY:

Athletes, coaches, and Mission Staff must all adhere to the Team BC and NAIG Codes of Conduct. Copies of the complete code of conduct will be provided to you at the time of NAIG registration. It is important to note that all NAIG participants are prohibited from the following activities, which will be enforced with **zero tolerance**:

- No recreational use of tobacco (smoking or chewing); No e-cigarettes or solvents
- No consumption of alcohol
- No use of illicit or prescription drugs (except for medication prescribed by a physician)
- No banned or restricted substances for the purpose of performance enhancement
- No gambling
- No hazing

Should a participant be found to have participated in any of the prohibited activities, and/or displaying inappropriate/disruptive behavior, he/she will be immediately removed from Team BC and the parent(s)/legal guardian will be required to make immediate arrangements for his/her transportation home - **at the expense of the athlete and his/her parent(s) or legal guardian.**

TEAM BC HANDBOOK:

Each Team BC participant will receive a Team BC handbook containing Games information and tips to prepare for the journey to the Toronto 2017 NAIG. Upon arrival, athletes will also receive their welcome package including their team uniform and accreditation.

TRAINING CAMPS:

Each of the 28 different teams representing Team BC at the 2017 NAIG will be undergoing their own team training endeavours. Athletes will be requested to attend training event(s) in the spring of 2017 as part of their team preparation. The cost of participating in the event will be the responsibility of the athletes and their families, however, the Team BC Coaches understand the need to be as frugal and strategic as possible in the location and identifying in-kind donations and community partnerships wherever possible to minimize costs of participation.

NAIG SPORT TECHNICAL PACKAGE – ALL SPORTS:

The following link is the NAIG Sport and Technical Package containing the rules for each of the individual sports featured in the Games.

<http://www.naicouncil.com/docs/2017%20NAIG%20Sport%20Technical%20Package.pdf>



GAMES VENUES AND COMPETITION DAYS:

The 2017 NAIG will be hosted at various venues in Toronto, Hamilton, and Six Nations (Brantford). Competition venue list and tentative dates of competition are below. While some sports will not have competition every day of the NAIG week, practice/training sessions will be scheduled pre-competition.

All members of Team BC are required to participate in the **July 16** Opening Ceremonies and **July 22** Closing Ceremonies.

| SPORT | VENUES | COMPETITION DATES |
|----------------|---|--|
| 3-D Archery | Hamilton Angling and Hunting Association | July 18-20, 2017 (10:00am-3:00pm) |
| Athletics | University of Toronto Scarborough, York University | XC: July 17, 2017 (9:00am-11:00am) TF: July 19-20, 2017 (4:30pm-9:00pm) July 21, 2017 (1:30-6:00pm) |
| Badminton | Toronto Pan Am Sports Centre | July 17-18, 2017 (9:00am-8:00pm) July 19-20, 2017 (10:00am-7:00pm) July 21, 2017 (11:00am-3:00pm) |
| Basketball | Humber College – North Campus, York University | July 17-18, 2017 (9:00am-9:30pm) July 19, 2017 (8:30am-10:15pm) & (9:00am-10:45pm) July 20, 2017 (9:00am-10:15pm) & (9:00am-10:45pm) July 21, 2017 (9:00am-10:00pm) |
| Canoe/Kayak | Allan A. Lamport Regatta Course | July 18-20, 2017 (8:30am-5:30pm) |
| Box Lacrosse | Gaylord Powless Arena, Iroquois Lacrosse Arena | July 17-21, 2017 (9:00am-9:00pm) |
| Golf | Don Valley Golf Course | July 18-20, 2017 (10:00am-7:00pm) |
| Rifle Shooting | Toronto Trap & Skeet Club | July 17-19, 2017 (10:00am-3:00pm) |
| Soccer | McMaster University | July 17-19, 2017 (9:00am-9:00pm) July 20-21, 2017 (9:00am-9:30pm) July 22, 2017 (9:00am-4:00pm) |
| Softball | City of Hamilton | July 17-20, 2017 (9:00am-9:30pm) July 21, 2017 (1:00pm-7:30pm) |
| Swimming | Toronto Pan Am Sports Centre | July 20-21, 2017 (S1 9:00am-12:00pm) & (S2 6:00pm-9:00pm) |
| Volleyball | Humber College – North Campus, York University – Tait McKenzie Centre | July 19-20, 2017 (9:00am-10:00pm) July 21, 2017 (9:00am-5:00pm) July 22, 2017 (9:00am-3:30pm) |
| Wrestling | McMaster University | July 20-21, 2017 (9:00am-6:00pm) |



COACH/MANAGER CONTACTS:

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