



To all Provincial and Territorial shooting organizations

The SFC is proud to inform you that we are creating a new Canadian Junior National Championship (CJNC). This project has been prepared with the help of all provincial and territorial representatives, our national coaches and athletes representatives. This committee was managed by our domestics and operations VP.

The goals of the CJNC program are to promote the sport of target shooting and increase the involvement of junior Canadian shooters in the sport of target shooting. Regardless of the discipline, age, gender, ability, or disability of the individual, there is a place for everyone in our sport. The SFC wants to offer and coordinate the delivery of safe, developmentally appropriate programs of consistently high quality across the country in collaboration with the provincial and territorial organizations.

As you may know, air rifle and pistols events were part of the 2015 Canada Games in Prince Georges (BC). Since then target shooting events were not selected. Those games were a very good way to attract new shooters in our sport. The SFC has completed applications for all winter and summer Canada Games since then without success. We are currently preparing the application for the 2027 edition.

If we want to attract and retain junior shooters, we need to give them a championship that is accessible and that is held every year.

The CJNC, starting with the air pistol and rifle events, will take place at the end of March each year. In even years, it will be held simultaneously in all provinces and territories. In this way it will be accessible to a greater number of junior shooters since travel costs will be reduced to a minimum.

During odd-numbered years, the CJNC will be held in one of the provinces or territories according to a principle of alternation between the regions of eastern, western and central Canada. For this "in-person" match each PTSO will have to select a fixed number of junior athletes to represent their province or territory.

With the addition of the CJNC, the SFC wants to help rebuild the junior base of athletes in all provinces and territories. We now need to prove to the Canada Games organizers that our sport is alive and that we have juniors training in all the provinces and territories.

In order to make this new championship a success, we will need help and your collaboration. Please find attached a document that gives more details about the CJNC. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Michel Poitras, VP domestic and operations at vpoperations@sfc-ftp.ca.

Sincerely,

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