

# Biathlon Yukon

## 2025-2026 Competition Season Invitation

Whitehorse, Yukon

### Invitation Information

#### Competition Committee

Based on AWG Competition Committee Roles - may change depending on availability

|                       |                 |
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| Competition Chief     | Sophia Marnik   |
| Chief of Course       | Nick Marnik     |
| Chief of Range        | Mike Fancie     |
| Range Safety Officer  | Jimmy Kennedy   |
| Chief of Timing       | Ted Dean        |
| Chief of Results      | Janice Hall     |
| Chief of Stadium      | Stephen O'Brien |
| Competition Secretary | Anke Rhein      |
| Volunteer Coordinator | Sharina Kennedy |

#### Dates of Competitions

| <b>Grey Mt. Cup 1</b>                                | <b>Grey Mt. Cup 2</b>                           | <b>Grey Mt. Cup 3</b> | <b>Yukon Champs</b>                               | <b>Yukon Champs</b>                                       |
|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Individual</b><br><i>AWG Ski Trials<br/>Day 2</i> | <b>Sprint</b><br><i>AWG SS Trials<br/>Day 2</i> | <b>Mass</b>           | <b>Sprint</b><br><i>Qualifier for<br/>Pursuit</i> | <b>Pursuit</b><br><i>Start based on<br/>Sprint Finish</i> |
| Sunday<br>November 23                                | Sunday<br>December 14                           | Sunday<br>January 11  | Saturday February<br>14                           | Sunday<br>February 15                                     |

## Rules

The current Canadian Hosting Policy (approved June 2025) with modifications contained herein will be in effect for the event. All IBU categories will utilize a 150m penalty loop, all non-IBU categories will use the 75m penalty loop and Snowshoe will use the 50m loop, for all formats except the Individual. The Pursuit will be conducted with a 5-second start interval between Competitors. The [Biathlon Canada Hosting Policy \(2025\)](#) can be found on their website. If AWG and GMC events occur on the same day, the AWG Trial distances shall be used.

## Eligibility to Participate, Awards

All members of Biathlon Canada Divisions, correctly registered by their Divisions, are eligible to participate in the classes as listed below. Athletes who are not members of a Division must purchase a day membership for each competition in which they wish to participate. Athletes who are not members of Biathlon Canada must purchase a Try Out License from Biathlon Canada ([Biathlon Canada Try Out License](#))

Points will follow those of the Canada Winter Games. Points earned from the Grey Mt. Cup Races and the Yukon Champs will contribute to the athlete's individual aggregate - **only the top 4 races will be counted**. The athlete with the highest overall score in their category at the end of the season will have their name added to the Grey Mt. Cup Plaque. Awards for each race will be distributed following the event. Please note: Eco-aim categories and Snowshoe are not eligible for Grey Mt. Cup points this season.

## Registrations

Registrations are due **not later than Wednesday prior to each event**. Velocity athletes will be automatically registered unless coaches are informed. If you are not a member of Biathlon Yukon, please email [biathlonyukon@gmail.com](mailto:biathlonyukon@gmail.com) for more information or to register. If registering for Arctic Winter Games Trials, please use the approved registration process, which will be available on the Sport Yukon website or through the Biathlon Mission Staff. Registration for a Grey Mt. Cup event DOES NOT GUARANTEE REGISTRATION FOR AWG TRIALS.

## Fees

There is no fee for Biathlon Yukon members. The fee for day members is \$20 and is payable by e-transfer to [biathlonyukon@gmail.com](mailto:biathlonyukon@gmail.com). Athletes who are not members of Biathlon Canada must purchase a Try Out License from Biathlon Canada ([Biathlon Canada Try Out License](#))

## Day of Competition Schedule (subject to adjustment)

|              |                              |
|--------------|------------------------------|
| 9:30         | Competition office open      |
| 11:00 -11:45 | Zero, all classes            |
| 10:45 -12:00 | Equipment check, all classes |
| 12:00        | Competitions begins          |
| 13:00        | Competition complete         |
| 13:30        | Awards presentation          |

## Classes of Competitors and Type of Competition

Coaches and Athletes are responsible for ensuring the athlete is registered in the correct category and that the competitor meets the applicable competition standard, to ensure a positive racing experience. Standards and guidelines follow this chart.

Grey Mountain Cup Races will take place on the same day as day 2 of the Arctic Winter Games Trials for both Ski Biathlon and Snowshoe Biathlon (November 23 and December 14). Certain categories may not be available on these days. Please talk with coaches or email [biathlonyukon@gmail.com](mailto:biathlonyukon@gmail.com) for clarification.

Arctic Winter Games Trials Registration is done through Sport Yukon and **not through Biathlon Yukon**. Information about AWG Trials will be sent out at a later date.

## Classes of Competitors and Type of Competition

| Classes of Competition             | Age        | GMC 1<br>Individual<br>(AWG Trials<br>Day 2) |                      | GMC 2<br>Sprint<br>(AWG Trials<br>Day 2) |                      | GMC 3<br>Mass     |                      | Champs 1<br>Sprint<br>(Pursuit<br>Qualifier) |                      | Champs 2<br>Pursuit<br>(Start based on<br>Sprint Finish) |                      |
|------------------------------------|------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
|                                    |            | Sunday<br>Nov. 23                            |                      | Sunday<br>Dec. 14                        |                      | Sunday<br>Jan. 11 |                      | Saturday<br>Feb. 14                          |                      | Sunday<br>Feb. 15                                        |                      |
|                                    |            | KM                                           | Shooting<br>sequence | KM                                       | Shooting<br>sequence | KM                | Shooting<br>sequence | KM                                           | Shooting<br>sequence | KM                                                       | Shooting<br>sequence |
| Men                                | 22 +       | 15                                           | PSPS                 | 10                                       | PS                   | 15                | PPSS                 | 10                                           | PS                   | 12.5                                                     | PPSS                 |
| Women                              | 22+        | 12.5                                         | PSPS                 | 7.5                                      | PS                   | 12.5              | PPSS                 | 7.5                                          | PS                   | 10                                                       | PPSS                 |
| Junior Men                         | U21        | 15                                           | PSPS                 | 10                                       | PS                   | 12.5              | PPSS                 | 10                                           | PS                   | 12.5                                                     | PPSS                 |
| Jr. Women                          | U21        | 12.5                                         | PSPS                 | 7.5                                      | PS                   | 10                | PPSS                 | 7.5                                          | PS                   | 10                                                       | PPSS                 |
| Youth Men                          | U19        | 12.5                                         | PSPS                 | 7.5                                      | PS                   | 10                | PPSS                 | 7.5                                          | PS                   | 10                                                       | PPSS                 |
| Youth Women                        | U19        | 10                                           | PSPS                 | 6.0                                      | PS                   | 7.5               | PPSS                 | 6.0                                          | PS                   | 7.5                                                      | PPSS                 |
| U17 Stand<br>Boy/Girl              | <b>U17</b> | <b>7.5<br/>AWG</b>                           | <b>PSPS</b>          | 6.0                                      | PS                   | 7.5               | PPSS                 | 6.0                                          | PS                   | 7.5                                                      | PPSS                 |
| U17 Prone<br>Boy/Girl              |            | n/a                                          | n/a                  | 6.0                                      | PP                   | 8.0               | PPP                  | 6.0                                          | PP                   | 8.0                                                      | PPP                  |
| Dev 2<br>No rests                  | <b>U17</b> | <b>5.0<br/>AWG</b>                           | <b>PPP</b>           | 4.5                                      | PP                   | 6.0               | PPP                  | 4.5                                          | PP                   | 6.0                                                      | PPP                  |
| Dev 1<br>Rests                     | U17        | 4.0                                          | PPP                  | 2.4                                      | PP                   | 4.0               | PPP                  | 2.4                                          | PP                   | 4.0                                                      | PPP                  |
| Eco Aim<br>Bears or Adult1         |            | n/a                                          | n/a                  | 1.8                                      | PP                   | 2.4               | PPP                  | 1.8                                          | PP                   | 2.4                                                      | PPP                  |
| Adult 3<br>Masters<br>Men/women    | 19+        | 10                                           | PSPS                 | 6.0                                      | PS                   | 7.5               | PPSS                 | 6.0                                          | PS                   | 7.5                                                      | PPSS                 |
| Adult 1<br>Recreation<br>Men/women | 19+        | 7.5                                          | PSPS                 | 4.5                                      | PS                   | 5.0               | PPSS                 | 4.5                                          | PS                   | 5.0                                                      | PPSS                 |
| Snowshoe<br>U15                    | AWG        | n/a                                          | n/a                  | 2.0                                      | PP                   | 2.4               | PPP                  | 1.8                                          | PP                   | 2.4                                                      | PPP                  |
| Snowshoe<br>U18                    | AWG        | n/a                                          | n/a                  | 3.0                                      | PS                   | 4.0               | PPSS                 | 3.0                                          | PS                   | 4.0                                                      | PPSS                 |

## Class Standards and Guidelines:

Please talk with your coach about the appropriate category for you/your child, to ensure a positive racing experience, especially as developing athletes. When selecting a competition class, competitors should follow these guidelines:

- **IBU Classes** are expected to complete an average Sprint competition in 20-35 minutes and complete an average Individual competition with a ski time of under 60 minutes.
- **Adult Classes** are expected to complete an average Sprint competition in 20-30 minutes, and to complete an average Individual competition with a ski time of 35-50 minutes.
  - Sport 1 Athletes do not carry rifles on course, Rifles are racked
  - Sport 3 Athlete carry rifles
- **U17 Classes** are expected to complete an average Sprint competition in 20-30 minutes, and to complete an average Individual competition with a ski time of 30-45 minutes.
  - U17 Prone Shoot prone only - Not yet ready for standing shooting and skis longer distances than Dev. 2. Rifles matted by coaches.
  - U17 Standing Shoot prone and standing. Rifles racked – not yet ready to carry rifle on course
- **Development Classes** are expected to complete an average Sprint competition in 15-25 minutes, and to complete an average Individual competition with a ski time of 25-35 minutes.
  - Development 1 Shoot prone only – can use rest if needed, ski the shortest distance
  - Development 2 Shoot prone only – NO rest allowed. Not yet ready for U17 Prone
- **AWG Snowshoe Categories (U15, U18)** - these categories are not eligible for the Grey Mt. Cup but rather give an opportunity for athletes to practice snowshoe racing. These categories are only available during AWG training seasons.

## Cancellation of Events

Biathlon Yukon reserves the right to adjust all competitions as needed in consideration of changing needs of facilities, weather, numbers and composition of competitors and teams. Competitions may be cancelled due to temperature, and every effort will be made to contact registered participants and volunteers.

| Temperature at 8am       | Action                                                                                                                                                 | Contact method                                                                                                           |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Between -15 and -20      | Competition office will open as usual and decision to cancel/postpone start will be made at 10am, after considering all factors (daylight, wind, etc.) | In person at 10am; email sent to all registered athletes, coaches, and volunteers after decision.                        |
| -20 and below            | Competition Chief will cancel competition                                                                                                              | Email the morning of competition to all registered athletes, coaches and volunteers; social media posts, website updates |
| Poor long-range forecast | Competition Chief will cancel competition the night before                                                                                             | Email the evening before to all registered athletes, coaches, and volunteers; social media posts, website updates        |