

## **Team Travel**

To ensure the safety and supervision of BC Games athletes during travel to and from the BC Games, zone teams travel together on Games transportation (buses/flights) departing from and returning to central pick-up locations. This ensures that every athlete is supervised by an accredited adult (Head Coach, Assistant Coach, or Adult Supervisor) from the time they board a bus/flight until the time they arrive at their destination.

The Zone Representative chooses the central pick-up/drop-off location(s) for the zone team based on where the majority of participants live. A minimum of one of the accredited adults with the zone team must leave from and return to the selected location(s) with their athletes. The maximum number of pick-up/drop-off locations is based on the number of adults (Head Coach, Assistant Coach, or Adult Supervisor) associated with the zone team. This ensures that the zone team travels on the same bus(es) or flight(s) and that the athletes have adult supervision throughout the journey. This also ensures that the team arrives at their destination at the same time.

Participants must provide their own transportation to/from the selected pick-up/drop-off locations. The pick-up/drop-off location(s) may not be the closest one to the participants' homes however, this system is necessary to ensure proper safety and supervision of athletes.

Example: The Vancouver Island-Central Coast (Zone 6) team has athletes and coaches from Victoria, Duncan, Nanaimo, Comox, and Port Alberni. There are two adults (Head Coach and Assistant Coach) associated with the team; therefore, two central pick-up/drop-off locations are chosen, Victoria and Nanaimo. One of the adults will travel from/to each location. The Zone Rep assigns athletes to travel from/to one of the two chosen locations with one of their coaches, even though there may be Games transportation (with other zone teams or sports) departing from/returning to locations closer to their home.

During the registration process, Zone Reps will select their zone's team travel pick-up/drop-off location(s) (city) by the registration deadline.

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