

SPECIAL OLYMPICS ONTARIO

7000-208 Maximum Performance Rule (MPR)

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Special Olympics Canada has implemented the Pan Canadian Policies for all chapters. The Pan Canadian Divisioning Policy includes the Maximum Performance Rule.

[PAN CANADIAN DIVISIONING POLICY](#)

The Maximum performance rule can only be implemented at Provincial Games and higher level competitions.

Implementation of the Maximum Performance Rule cannot be protested.

Due to the size of Special Olympics Ontario programs and to ensure the most equitable competition environment within Ontario, Special Olympics Ontario reserves the right to implement the following exceptions:

Outdoor Winter Sports Exception

For Cross Country Skiing, Snowshoeing and Alpine Skiing, where environmental changes can impact the performance of the athlete, the following procedures should be implemented where possible:

- Prior to the start of each divisioning event, a forerunner would run the event to determine a baseline time for that event. The same forerunner would run the event again prior to the final race to establish if the track conditions favour a faster time. This will establish if a percentage change is required to be made to the maximum performance rule. Coaches will be informed if a percentage change is to be made.