

National Championships Committee — record of decisions

Meeting of 25 August 2026. Virtual. Debrief of the 2026 CF3 National Championship.

The committee's overall assessment was that the event ran well: an on-time schedule, strong volunteer support, workable venues, a three-location model that worked, and no major safety incident. The decisions below concern what to change.

Decided

The "paid ticket" and "unpaid ticket" wording is to be replaced. Under the existing system an athlete who meets the minimum work requirement and finishes top three in their division has their Team Canada uniform covered by CF3 and may receive a share of event revenue as a travel stipend where funds allow; an athlete who finishes top three without meeting the minimum work requirement covers their own uniform and travel. The committee agreed the underlying policy remains necessary on the current budget, but that the terminology invites athletes — particularly reading across English and French — to understand it as their whole trip being paid or not paid. The wording and the way it is communicated are to be improved.

Athlete-facing communication is to assume the regulations will not be read in full. The committee recorded that publishing information is not the same as communicating it, and that CF3 should design its athlete communication accordingly.

Recorded for the board

The debrief also raised governance and decision-making, judging consistency, programming balance, and the minimum work requirement. Those are matters for the board rather than for the committee to settle, and were referred.

A record of decisions taken. The minutes of this meeting are held for the committee.