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1. Requirement of a CEC licence

- A CEC National licence (or IFSC equivalent) is required to compete at all National Series events and all National Championships
- Only competitors holding a CEC licence will have their results tracked and will have the opportunity to compete for the National Team

2. Open Bouldering National Championships

- There will be no requirement to qualify for the Open Bouldering National Championships
- All National open competitors holding a valid CEC licence are eligible to compete at the Open Bouldering National Championships, along with any open members of other IFSC recognized National Federations

3. Open Difficulty National Championships

- There will be no requirement to qualify for the Open Difficulty National Championships
- All National open competitors holding a valid CEC licence are eligible to compete at the Open Difficulty National Championships, along with any open members of other IFSC recognized National Federations

4. National Open Ranking (NOR)

- There will be a separate National Open Ranking (NOR) for each of bouldering, lead and speed
- The NOR in each discipline will be based on results from a combination of the National Series events as well as the Open National Championships
- In each discipline, open athletes with a current CEC National licence will be able to count their top two (2) results from National Series events and the Open National Championships, which may be comprised of either two (2) National Series events or their top National Series event along with their results at the Open National Championships

5. Speed National Championships

- There will be no requirement to qualify for the Speed National Championship

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6. Youth Bouldering National Championships

- Each CEC recognized Provincial Sport Organization (PSO) may register up to 8 athletes per eligible category based on that PSO's selection criteria.
- If a PSO does not fill its quota in a category, the adjoining PSO may utilize up to 2 of the unused quota spots
- If the adjoining PSO does not utilize the unused quota spots, they may be used equally by the remaining PSOs
- Athletes from Provinces without a PSO may qualify for the YBNC by finishing in the top 8 at a Youth Bouldering Provincial Championship of one of the four recognized PSOs. These athletes will not count toward the quota of any PSO.
- Athletes from other IFSC recognized National Federations may qualify for the YBNC by finishing in the top 8 at a Youth Bouldering Provincial Championship of one of the four recognized PSOs. These athletes will not count toward the quota of any PSO.
- The current Youth Bouldering National Champion in each category will automatically receive a bye to to the 2016 YBNC. These athletes will not count toward their respective PSO's quota.

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8. Youth Injury Exemption

- In the event of a verified injury which prevents a youth athlete from qualifying for the National Championships, the affected athlete may apply to the CEC Board for an injury exemption. The CEC Board will, at its sole discretion, determine whether an exemption shall be granted to allow the athlete to compete at the National Championships. Any athlete who is granted an injury exemption will not count toward their respective PSO's quota.

9. Canada Youth Cup

- The names of the Canadian Champions in each respective discipline in the C, B, A, and Junior age categories will be inscribed on the Canada Cup for that discipline