

Participant Eligibility Policy

OSGA Participant Fee

Participants must pay an annual fee to the OSGA to be eligible to compete at any OSGA sanctioned event during the fiscal year April 1-March 31. The fee will be determined by the OSGA Board of Directors. Participant fees are non-refundable. To be considered an OSGA member in good standing, the following criteria must be met:

1. Participant must be a permanent resident of Ontario.
2. Participant must be 55 years of age or older by midnight on December 31st in the year of competition.
3. Participant's fee's must be paid in full.
4. The OSGA's Release of Liability, Waiver of Claims and Indemnity Agreement must be signed and submitted to the OSGA or the District Coordinator.

District Games

These Games occur annually within the local District boundaries. District committees may decide to hold separate Summer and Winter Games, or they may combine them into a one-time event.

1. Participants must be an OSGA member in good standing.
2. Participants must limit their involvement to one District (based on their permanent residency, called their "Home District").
3. Districts accepting participants from outside their District must confirm in writing with the participant's "Home District" that they are eligible to compete.
4. Participants may enter more than one event/category at the District level at the discretion of the District Committee.

Regional Games

These Games occur biennially (on the uneven number years) with competition hosted by a District within the Region. The location of these Games will be determined at a Regional Meeting.

1. Participants must be an OSGA member in good standing.
2. Participants may only enter one event/category at the Regional 55+ Games.

Ontario 55+ Games (Winter and Summer)

These Games occur biennially and are hosted by the successful bidder in conjunction with the Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries (MHSTCI). Summer Games are held in event numbered years and Winter Games are held in odd numbered years.

Canada 55+ Games

These Games occur biennially in locations across Canada as determined through a host bidding system. The Canada 55+ Games occur in even numbered years.

1. Participants must be an OSGA member in good standing.
2. The first offer of invite/intent will go to the medal winners from the Provincial Summer and Winter 55+ Games.
3. The second offer of invite/intent will go to gold medal winners from District Games held on even number years prior to the Canada 55+ Games.
4. The third offer of invite/intent is open to any OSGA member in good standing who wishes to attend the Canada 55+ Games for any event that still has openings. These will be done on a first come, first served basis.
5. Participants may enter only one event/category at the Canada 55+ Games.