

# 2026 OLYMPIC WINTER GAMES CALL FOR APPLICATIONS PERFORMANCE DIETITIAN

The Canadian Olympic Committee (COC), a national, private, not-for-profit organization committed to sport excellence is seeking a Performance Dietitian to accompany and assist the Lead Performance Dietitian for the 2026 Olympic Winter Games, to be held in Milano Cortina, Italy from February 6-22, 2026.

The overall purpose of this position is to give Games experiences to Canadian Sport Registered Dietitians by working under the direction of the Lead Performance Dietitian and the Manager, Health Services of the Canadian Olympic Team, and assist in the implementation of performance solutions related to the Canadian Olympic Team during the 2026 Olympic Winter Games.

## Overall, the selected candidate will:

- report to the COC Lead Performance Dietitian.
- receive mentoring from the COC Lead Performance Dietitian.
- assist with the implementation of performance solutions during the Olympic Winter Games.
- acquire Games experience, positioning them as a potential candidate for the COC's Lead Performance Dietitian role at future Games.

As the Assistant Dietitian, the primary areas of responsibility for this position include, but are not limited to:

## **Participation**

- Participate in the Olympic Preparation Seminar.
- Participate as a volunteer / partially or non-accredited Mission Team Member for the 2026
   Olympic Winter Games must arrive in Milan or Cortina up to 10 days earlier and leave 2 days after Closing Ceremony.

## **Pre-Games Nutritional Preparation**

- Assist with the creation of a Games Preparation Checklist related to at-Games nutrition "tips" to be made available to Canadian Team Members.
- Assist with the evaluation of the Games Organizing Committee Villages and venues menus.
- Assist with the planning of a catering menu and a delivery process for boxed lunches provided to NSOs that request them during the Games.

## **COC Snack Food Program**

- From among the list of available COC sponsored nutritional products, help the COC Performance Dietitian make recommendations on which products to order, including recommendations on quantities. Product procurement, shipping, and distribution to be handled by the COC.
- In addition to the COC sponsored nutritional products, help the COC Performance Dietitian in producing a list of recommended other products to be purchased and made available for the Canadian Team in the Villages and satellite locations. Product procurement, shipping, and distribution to be handled by the COC.
- Help the COC Performance Dietitian to develop a detailed list of required lists of ingredients of all products for cargo/shipping.
- Help the COC Performance Dietitian coordinate packing during Cargo week if required.

## **On-Site COC Nutritional Services**

- Upon arrival at the Games, conduct a formal evaluation of the Village Dining Halls.
- Work closely with the COC to ensure systematic coverage and distribution process ahead of time (including daily replenishment) to provide supplement and snack products to all Canadian Team locations.
- Monitor and support the delivery of the COC catering services in place.
- Ensure high hygienic standards in the lounges where food is available.

## **Post-Games**

• Contribute to the final report for the Games and participate in any debriefing meetings as requested by the COC.

# Knowledge and Skill Required:

Knowledge requirements include:

- University degree (graduate degree an asset) in nutrition with adequate specialization in high performance Sport.
- Registered Dietitian (R.D.) credential (Canadian).
- Be a member of Sport Scientists Canada
- Knowledge, experience and practical application of the needs of High Performance Athletes and NSOs at games; with some experience in menu assessment, food safety, service delivery and service systems.

# Skill requirements include:

- Detail oriented and thorough planning
- Ability to forecast menu items
- Time management
- Ability to work under pressure
- Ability to multi-task
- Team player
- Autonomous, as they will have sole responsibility for an entire Games cluster.

## Computer Skills:

• Proficiency in Excel, Word, and Outlook.

#### Bilingualism:

• Bilingualism a preferred asset

# **Covered Costs:**

The COC will cover all travel expenses, accommodation, meals, clothing, and any potential per diem or honorarium.

## Contact:

Please send all cover letters and resumes by April 7, 2025 to <a href="health@olympic.ca">health@olympic.ca</a> citing the position title in the subject line. No telephone calls please. We thank all applicants for their interest; however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.