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## **Team Canada getting ready for the Summer Deaflympics**

*Team Canada, consisting of 15 Deaf and hard-of-hearing athletes, will compete at the Brazil Games*

**Montréal, April 27, 2022** – The Canadian Deaf Sports Association (CDSA) is actively working on preparations for Team Canada’s participation in the [Summer Deaflympics](#) in Caxias do Sul, Brazil, from May 1 to 15, 2022.

Fifteen athletes will represent the Maple Leaf in a total of four sports: badminton, golf, tennis, and beach volleyball. As many as eight Team Canada athletes will be making their first appearance at the Deaflympics. The eleven-member Mission Team rounds out the Canadian contingent for the Brazil Games. Remarkably, Alberta’s Lance Gordon, who competes in badminton, will be taking part in this fifth Summer Deaflympics.

“Hats off to all the athletes and coaches, who held many local and national training events across Canada over the past two years during the pandemic,” says Alain Turpin, Executive Director of the CDSA. “I wish them the best of success in Brazil!”

Part of the athletes’ and the Mission Team’s travel costs were covered by financial assistance from the Government of Canada.

“The athletes taking part in the Deaflympics are a great source of pride for all Canadians, particularly for people who are deaf or hard of hearing. I would like to congratulate the 15 athletes and 11 members of the mission staff representing Canada at the 2022 Summer Deaflympics in Brazil. Our government is proud to support our athletes in reaching their full potential, both here at home and abroad,” said the Honourable Pascale St-Onge, Minister of Sport and Minister responsible for the Economic Development Agency of Canada for the Regions of Quebec.

**About the Deaflympics:** The Deaflympics are held every four years, alternating between the Summer and Winter Games as in the case of the Olympic Games and Paralympic Games. The Deaflympics are sanctioned by the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf (ICSD) and are recognized by the International Olympic Committee (IOC).

**About the CDSA:** The Canadian Deaf Sports Association (CDSA) is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to the development of high-performance Deaf and hard-of-hearing athletes. Through direct financial support, the CDSA helps athletes participate in international sporting events sanctioned by the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf and the Pan American Sports Committee for the Deaf.

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