

## Board Selection Criteria

Agency, Board or Commission		Youth Advisory Council
1	Statute	Terms of Reference approved by Memorandum to Cabinet on September 27, 1990 (MZ1011); amended by Memorandum to Cabinet on April 25, 1991 (MZ1015)
2	Purpose	<p><b>MINISTERIAL BOARD</b></p> <p>To provide a mechanism through which the Minister responsible for Youth will receive information and advice on matters relating to the needs and concerns of Nova Scotia's youth, the effectiveness of existing and the establishment of new policies, programs and services targeted to youth or youth serving organizations.</p>
3	Functions	To provide advice to the Minister responsible for Youth regarding policies and programs of the Government, as they relate to youth; to advise and work with the Nova Scotia Youth Secretariat on the development of effective programs and services for youth; to assist the Youth Secretariat in researching and developing policies and nurturing youth initiatives by conducting surveys and studies, sponsoring conferences and symposia and performing other assigned duties.
4	Composition	Composed of 12-15 members representing a broad spectrum of youth interests and concerns; the Nova Scotia Youth Secretariat will act as an advisor to the Council.
5	Formal Qualifications	Youth between the ages of 15-24; ability to represent a major ethnic, cultural or other segment of the population; ability to represent a major youth-serving organization, or, a combination fo the above
6	Work & Experience Requirements	

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7	Skills Required	Ability to contribute to the work of the Youth Advisory Council
8	Statutory Nomination Requirements	see "Composition" above
9	Term of Appointment	2 year term
10	Remuneration	Expenses only
11	Anticipated Time Commitments	4-6 meetings per year, normally between September and June; 1-2 days each meeting; Location: varies
12	Other Notes	Co-Chairs are nominated by the non-government appointees on the Council and appointed by the Minister responsible for Youth.