



**SELECTION PROTOCOL**  
**2023-24 WORLD CUP EVENTS: ALPINE**

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Canada Snowboard is revising the High Performance Program (HPP) General Policy as of the approval date of this Selection Protocol. Situations related to the revision of the HPP General Policy may arise that require this Selection Protocol to be modified. Any required modifications will be communicated as soon as possible and come into effect as of the publication date.

**INTRODUCTION**

1. Canada Snowboard, through its membership in the Canadian Snowsports Association, is granted by the FIS the right to enter eligible athletes in FIS sanctioned Snowboard World Cup (WC) events. Athletes who are not eligible, as established by the FIS and its member national associations, including Canada Snowboard, may not participate in FIS sanctioned events.
2. This document sets out the process for identifying those athletes who will be selected by Canada Snowboard to participate in FIS sanctioned Snowboard World Cup events in the Alpine discipline.
3. For information on the selection process for events not covered by this document (Jr. World Championships, World Championships & Olympics), please refer to the relevant Selection Protocol section on the Canada Snowboard [‘Document Centre’](#).
4. Notwithstanding any athlete ranking resulting from this Selection Protocol, Canada Snowboard reserves the right to withhold competitive opportunities in accordance with the [“HPP Protocol for Return to Snow and Competition”](#).

Canada Snowboard further reserves the right to select athletes to participate in competitive opportunities in an order other than that indicated by the rankings, and/or to select fewer male or female athletes than the maximum Quota provided to Canada by FIS. The grounds for any such decisions must be discussed and documented by the Selection Committee and must be in accordance with the HPP General Policy.

All policies referenced in this section can be found in the [‘Document Centre’](#) on the Canada Snowboard website.

5. Except where otherwise specified herein, final athlete selection decisions for FIS Snowboard World Cups in the Alpine discipline shall be ratified by the Vice President, Sport (VPS) on the basis of recommendations by the Alpine World Cup Selection Committee, which shall consist of the High Performance Director – Speed, the Alpine National Team Coaching staff, and other HPP staff as



designated by the Selection Committee.

6. Except where otherwise specified herein, the Selection Committee’s recommendation to the VPS shall be made on the basis of the athlete’s FIS ranking and performances, as of the relevant and applicable Selection Deadline, during the current competition season, which is defined as the period from August 2023 – April 2024 (the “Competition Season”).

## OBJECTIVES

7. Canada Snowboard’s performance objectives during the 2023-24 FIS Snowboard World Cup competition season include:

**Primary Objective:** Support athletes who have either been consistently (>50%) ranked within the Top 16 at *individual* (not team) FIS Alpine World Cup competitions during the 12 months preceding the relevant and applicable Selection Deadline or, are ranked within the Top 25 Women or Top 30 Men in the FIS Overall PAR World Cup Standings on the most recently published FIS PAR WC Overall Ranking List.

**Secondary Objective:** Support athletes identified by Canada Snowboard as future National Team and Paralympic/Olympic hopefuls, who are 5 to 8 years away from podium performances at the Paralympic or Olympic Winter Games, based on Canada Snowboard’s Podium Pathway and performance analysis by the Alpine National Team Staff, relevant HPP Staff, and/or the Selection Committee.

These objectives are the guiding principles Canada Snowboard took into consideration when developing this Selection Protocol and will serve as the basis for guiding selection decisions made under this Protocol.

## TERMS

8. The following abbreviated terms are used in this Selection Protocol:

a. FIS:	International Ski and Snowboard Federation
b. HPP:	High Performance Program
c. Alpine (PAR):	PGS, PSL
d. WCH	FIS Senior World Championships
e. JWCH	FIS Junior World Championships
f. WC:	FIS Snowboard World Cup
g. EC:	Europa Cup
h. NAC:	NorAm Cup

## ELIGIBILITY

9. To be eligible to participate in a FIS Snowboard World Cup, an athlete must:
  - a. Be a member in good standing with Canada Snowboard, as that term is understood in Section 1.1(f) of the Canada Snowboard Bylaws, applied mutatis mutandis; and



- b. Have a valid and active FIS License; and
- c. Have purchased the appropriate class of [CSA/NSO Sport Accident Insurance \(SAIP\)](#) – Level 1 is mandatory for National Team members or those participating in any international World Cup competition(s) and a minimum of Level 2 is required for out of country coverage; and
- d. Have a minimum of 50 PAR FIS Points on the most recently published FIS Points List as of the selection deadline, as outlined in the Rules for [the FIS Snowboard / Freestyle Ski / Freeski World Cups World Cups \(“FIS World Cup Rules”\), Rule 5.5.2.](#); and
- e. Have submitted a participation request via the Canada Snowboard website, as outlined in Section 11, below, prior to the stated deadline(s); and
- f. Have a Canadian passport, which must be valid for at least six months beyond the date of travel (if applicable); and
- g. Upon selection, must read, agree to, and sign the Canada Snowboard Code of Conduct, which outlines the expectations an athlete representing Canada must follow; and
- h. Comply with all relevant FIS requirements for eligibility.

#### ALLOCATION OF COMPETITIVE OPPORTUNITIES

10. The number of competitive opportunities available to Canada Snowboard is established by FIS and is described as the ‘Canadian Quota’ for that competition. Although FIS establishes the quota, Canada Snowboard reserves the right to offer fewer competitive opportunities (Quota), that is, to nominate fewer athletes than the number designated as the ‘Canadian Quota’ for a particular competition.

The grounds for any such decision must be discussed by the Selection Committee, clearly documented, and communicated to the impacted parties.

Examples of situations where the Selection Committee would offer fewer competitive opportunities (Quota) than allocated by FIS for a competition may include, but are not limited to:

- There are no athletes, or no further athletes, who meet the eligibility requirements and who have the requisite performance(s) within the designated competition period to meet the selection process for nomination; and/or
  - There are no athletes, or no further athletes, whose performances demonstrate that they have the potential to achieve the performance objective indicated in Section 7; and/or
  - There are no athletes, or no further athletes, who are able to successfully and safely complete a World Cup Alpine course, as assessed by the Selection Committee in their sole discretion.
11. All interested athletes (or their personal coach) are required to submit a participation request for the block of World Cups they are interested in attending at least two (2) weeks before the stated selection competition Selection Deadline(s), as outlined in Section 19 below. The deadlines to submit a participation request for each block of World Cup competitions are provided immediately below.

Participation requests received after the below stated deadlines **will not** be considered.



Participation requests can be sent through the Canada Snowboard website, at:  
<https://www.canadasnowboard.ca/en/team/resources/fisreq/>

The deadline to submit a participation request for

- a) Block 'A' World Cups is November 24, 2023.
- b) Block 'B' World Cups is December 13, 2023.
- c) Block 'Host Nation' World Cups is January 15, 2024.
- d) Block 'C' World Cups is January 26, 2024.

Submission of a participation request online by the respective deadline, as outlined above, does not automatically guarantee selection to a specific or block of World Cup competitions.

Interested athletes must meet all conditions of eligibility, as outlined in Section 9.a-h, above, and be allocated a Quota spot as outlined in Sections 20 – 34, below.

12. The total 2023/24 Canadian Parallel Giant Slalom and Parallel Slalom World Cup Quota subject to the Selection Criteria outlined in Sections 20 to 34, below, are:
  - a. Three (3) – Basic Quota (BQ) (max. 2 per gender)
  - b. Two (2) – Additional Women (AQ)
  - c. Three (3) – Additional Men (AQ)
  - d. Four (4) – Personal Quota Spot(s) from 2022/23 NorAm Overall Tour Champions:
    - Aurelie Moisan
    - Michael Nazwaski
    - Jules Lefebvre
    - Riley Kilmer-Choi
  - e. As Host Nation, Canada receives an additional six (6) World Cup Quota, per gender, for the Craigleith, ON World Cup February 13 – 16, 2024, as outlined by FIS World Cup Rules, Rule 4.5.1. Please refer to Section 27 – 30 of this Selection Protocol for allocation of additional Quota related to this event.

Information on FIS Snowboard Quota can be referenced on the FIS website:

Basic, Additional and Personal Quotas:

[https://assets.fis-ski.com/image/upload/fis-prod/assets/1st\\_calculation\\_Alpine\\_SB\\_SBX\\_Quotas\\_2024.pdf](https://assets.fis-ski.com/image/upload/fis-prod/assets/1st_calculation_Alpine_SB_SBX_Quotas_2024.pdf)

Description of Quota Allocation:

[https://assets.fis-ski.com/image/upload/v1565255441/fis-prod/assets/Description\\_SB\\_Quotas.pdf](https://assets.fis-ski.com/image/upload/v1565255441/fis-prod/assets/Description_SB_Quotas.pdf)

13. FIS will recalculate World Cup Quotas based on the 2024 FIS Points List as of the end of January 2024, with only an increase in Quotas only being possible, as outlined in the FIS World Cup Rules, Rule 4.5.1. Any Personal Quota spots will not change during the 2023/24 competition season. The FIS Points Lists are available for reference online at: <http://data.fis-ski.com/snowboard/fis-points-lists.html>
14. Except as otherwise stated herein, the opportunity to participate in World Cup competitions shall be offered to athletes who satisfy all of the eligibility requirements set out at Section 9.a-h, above, in the order of their ranking as determined by the 'Ranking Process' detailed in Sections 20 through



34, below. World Cup competitive opportunities will be separated into four blocks: ‘A’, ‘B’, ‘Host Nation’ and ‘C’ as outlined in Section 19, below.

15. Only the eligible final results achieved from individual Alpine competitions during the Competition Season will be considered in the ‘Ranking Process’ detailed in Sections 20 through 34. Team Event results will not be considered in the allocation of competitive opportunities (Quota) for individual World Cup competitions.
  16. Athletes who have earned individual World Cup spots through their status as a defending World Cup, Senior or Junior World Champion, or through Continental Cup podiums, must still have their entry into World Cups ratified by Canada Snowboard upon verification that the athlete satisfies all eligibility requirements as outlined in Section 9.a-h, above.
  17. When determining if an athlete has satisfied a threshold field placing result, as outlined from time to time within this document, Canada Snowboard does not round to the nearest whole number because the given priority is looking for the actual final finish position within the field. As a practical example, the dividing line between the Top Third (1/3) and the rest of the field in a final finish field depth of 58 competitors is at 19.33 so all those who finished 19<sup>th</sup> place or better are considered to be in the Top Third (1/3) and those who finished beyond 20<sup>th</sup> are not. DNFs and DSQs are counted when determining the field size as those competitors started in the event; however, DNS does not count toward determining the field size and will be removed from the field size calculation.
  18. When determining an athlete’s field placing as a percentage of the field, as outlined from time to time in this document, Canada Snowboard will use the following calculation:  $X/Y=P\%*100$ , where X is the athlete result and Y is the field depth. In calculating the final percentages, the calculation will include two decimal placements (to the hundredth). DNFs and DSQs are counted when determining the field depth as those competitors started in the event; however, DNS does not count toward determining the field depth and will be removed from the calculation.
- If a priority or tie breaker requires using the average of an athlete’s two (2) best results from eligible events based on field placing as a percentage of the field, the final percentage calculations will be averaged to determine the final field ranking percentage.
19. World Cup competitive opportunities for the 2023-24 season will be determined based on the World Cup competitions currently scheduled, including:

Block	Competitions	Discipline	Competition Dates	Participation Request Deadline	Selection Deadline
A	Carezza, ITA	PGS	December 14, 2023	Secondary Selection Only:	Primary Selection: November 15, 2023
	Cortina d’Ampezzo, ITA	PGS	December 16, 2023		



	Davos, SUI	PSL	December 23, 2023	November 24, 2023	Secondary Selection: December 10, 2023
B	Scoul, SUI	PGS	January 13, 2024	December 13, 2023	December 27, 2023
	Bad Gastein, AUT	PSL/PRT	January 16 – 17, 2024		
	Pamporovo, BUL	PSL	January 20 – 21, 2024		
	Rogla, SLO	PGS	January 25, 2024		
	Simonhöhe, AUT	PGS/PRT	January 27 – 28, 2024		
Host Nation	Craighleith, CAN	PGS	February 15 – 16, 2024	January 15, 2024	January 29, 2024
C	Krynica, POL	PGS	February 24 – 25, 2024	January 26, 2024	February 10, 2024
	Winterberg, GER	PSL/PRT	March 9 – 10, 2024		
	Berchtesgaden, GER	PSL/PRT	March 16 – 17, 2024		

- a. This ranking process and the indicated opportunities are based on FIS rules, regulations, and current schedules as presently known and understood and on the latest information available to Canada Snowboard. Should Canada Snowboard become aware of any changes to FIS rules, regulations, and schedules, Canada Snowboard will review and amend this Selection Protocol as necessary to comply with the changes. Amendments to this document will be communicated directly to the affected athletes as well as posted to the Canada Snowboard website as soon as reasonably possible.



- b. Notwithstanding the identified Selection Deadline for each block of competitive opportunities, Canada Snowboard reserves the right to select athletes on a date other than the stated Selection Deadline where the Selection Committee considers, in its sole discretion, that such change is desirable to field the team most capable of achieving Canada Snowboard's performance objectives. Where Canada Snowboard selects athletes on a date other than the stated Selection Deadline, all applicable references to the Selection Deadline that follow will be taken to mean the amended date.

## **RANKING PROCESS**

Except as otherwise stated herein, the order in which eligible athletes are selected to participate in World Cup competitions will be based on the criteria below. The Selection Committee is restricted by the Quotas allocated by the FIS as outlined in Section 12 above. Nominations will be made starting at the highest priority level (Priority 1) unless there are no athletes, or until there are no further athletes, who have the requisite performance(s) within the designated competition period at that priority level, in which case the Selection Committee will move on to the next priority level (Priority 2), and so on.

Eligible athletes will be ranked by gender and in descending order based on the order of priorities, per Block of competitions, as outlined in Section 19 above. Once the Quota has been met in a gender, remaining eligible athletes will no longer be considered for nomination regardless of their performance(s) or ranking. However, notwithstanding the aforementioned, in accordance with Section 10 above, the Selection Committee is not required to fill all Canadian Quotas.

As indicated in the Ranking Process below, when a competition level is referenced, it shall be taken to mean FIS Alpine competitions according to the Competition Levels and Corresponding Points Scales as defined by the Rules of the [FIS Points Snowboard / Freestyle / Freeski \("FIS Points Rules"\)](#), [Rule 4.2.2.](#)

- Level 1: Olympic Winter Games, FIS World Championships, FIS World Cups
- Level 2: Junior World Championships (JWCH), Continental Cups (Europa Cups, NorAms), or World University Games.
- Level 3: Youth Olympic Winter Games, European Youth Festival competitions.
- Level 4: FIS National Championships, FIS National Junior Championships, FIS International Competitions, FIS Junior Competitions.

### **Block A: Carezza (ITA), Cortina d'Ampezzo (ITA), Davos (SUI)**

Quota allocation to eligible athletes through Sections 20 – 21, as referenced below, will take place on November 15, 2023, as scheduled, and as described as the 'Primary Selection Deadline' in Section 19, above. In the event that any Quota remains following the 'Primary Selection Process and Deadline', Canada Snowboard will perform a secondary selection on December 10, 2023, as described as the 'Secondary Selection Deadline' in Section 19 above. Any remaining Quota allocated to newly eligible athletes through the Secondary Selection Process will be based only on the method described in Section 22, as referenced below.

20. The first priority in the allocation of Block 'A' World Cup competitive opportunities shall be given to eligible members of the Alpine National Team (NT) and those with earned Personal Quota spots:



Men: \_\_\_\_\_

Arnaud Gaudet (NT)  
Ben Heldman (NT)  
Michael Nazwaski (Personal)  
Jules Lefebvre (Personal)  
Riley Kilmer-Choi (Personal)

Women: \_\_\_\_\_

Megan Farrell (NT)  
Aurelie Moisan (Personal)

21. The second priority in the allocation of Block 'A' World Cup competitive opportunities shall be awarded to members of the 2023/24 CS Alpine NextGen Team (NG).

Men: \_\_\_\_\_

Jamie Behan (NG)  
Justin Carpentier (NG)

Women: \_\_\_\_\_

Kaylie Buck (NG)

NextGen Team Members will be ranked, by gender, as follows:

- a. Taking the athlete's FIS Points as described on the most recently published Parallel (PAR) FIS Points List as of the Selection Deadline.
  - b. In the event of a tie, it will be broken in favour of the athlete who earned the most FIS Points at a single Level 2 (or higher) competition during the August 2022 through April 2023 competitive season.
  - c. If a tie remains, the athlete's next highest FIS Points earned at a single Level 2 (or higher) competition during the August 2022 through August 2023 competitive season will be used, until the tie is broken.
22. Remaining Block 'A' World Cup competitive opportunities shall be allocated to eligible athlete(s) based on their single best final result from the following competition:
- December 9 – 10, 2023: [FIS Alpine Snowboard Europa Cup \(EC\) 2x PSL, Göttschen, GER](#)

Results from the Göttschen EC must fall within the Top 20 of the final field to be considered in the ranking process. An athlete must have at least one (1) result which falls within the Top 20, otherwise they will not be included in the ranking process or allocated a Quota spot even if a Quota spot remains.

Eligible athletes will be ranked as follows:

- a. Taking the athlete's single best result from the EC listed above.
- b. In the event of a tie, each athlete's second-best result will be used.
- c. If a tie remains, it will be broken in favour of the athlete with the most FIS Points on the most recently published FIS PAR Point List (as of the Selection Deadline).

**Block B: Scoul (SUI), Bad Gastein (AUT), Pamporovo (BUL), Rogla (SLO), Simonhöhe (AUT)**

23. The first priority in the allocation of Block 'B' World Cup competitive opportunities shall be given to eligible members of the National Alpine Team and those with earned Personal Quota spots:

Men: \_\_\_\_\_

Women: \_\_\_\_\_





Arnaud Gaudet (NT) Megan Farrell (NT)  
Ben Heldman (NT) Aurelie Moisan (Personal)  
Michael Nazwaski (Personal)  
Jules Lefebvre (Personal)  
Riley Kilmer-Choi (Personal)

24. The second priority in the allocation of Block 'B' World Cup competitive opportunities shall be awarded to members of the 2023/24 CS Alpine NextGen Team.

Men: \_\_\_\_\_ Women: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jamie Behan (NG) Kaylie Buck (NG)  
Justin Carpentier (NG)

NextGen Team Members will be ranked, by gender, as follows:

- a. Taking the athlete's FIS Points as described on the most recently published Parallel (PAR) FIS Points List as of the Selection Deadline.
  - b. In the event of a tie, it will be broken in favour of the athlete who earned the most FIS Points at a single Level 2 (or higher) competition during the August 2023 through April 2024 competitive season (as of the Selection Deadline).
  - c. If a tie remains, the athlete's next highest FIS Points earned at a single Level 2 (or higher) competition during the August 2023 through August 2024 competitive season (as of the Selection Deadline) will be used, until the tie is broken.
25. The third priority in the allocation of Block 'B' World Cup competitive opportunities shall be awarded to eligible athletes who achieve the following results at Block 'A' World Cup competitions:

Men: \_\_\_\_\_ Women: \_\_\_\_\_  
Two (2) Top 32 Final Results Two (2) Top 2/3 Final Results

Block 'A' World Cup competitions are:

- a. December 14, 2023: Carezza, ITA World Cup (PGS)
- b. December 16, 2023: Cortina d'Ampezzo, ITA World Cup (PGS)
- c. December 23, 2023: Davos, SUI World Cup (PSL)

Eligible athletes will be ranked as follows:

- a. Taking the athlete's average of their two (2) best results, based on field placing as a percentage of the field, from the Block 'A' World Cups listed above.
  - b. In the event of a tie, the athlete's single best result will be used, based on field placing as a percentage of the field.
  - c. If a tie remains, it will be broken in favour of the athlete with the most FIS points on the most recently published FIS PAR Point List as of the Selection Deadline.
26. Any remaining Block 'B' World Cup competitive opportunities shall be allocated based on a ranking list, created by gender, where eligible athletes will be ranked in descending order (from highest to lowest) by the average of the FIS Points awarded for their top two (2) final results from eligible competitions, during the Competition Season (as of the Selection Deadline). Below are the results which will be considered in the ranking process:
- Level 1 Competitions (WC, WCH): All results from eligible competitions will be considered.



- All other FIS Competitions: Results from eligible competitions must fall within the Top Half (1/2) of the final field to be considered in the ranking process.

An athlete must have two (2) results which meet the above considerations, otherwise they will not be included in the ranking process or allocated a Quota spot even if a Quota spot remains.

If a tie exists, it shall be broken in favour of the athlete with the single best (lowest) field placing percentage at an eligible competition, using the following calculation: (field placing = result / field size x 100). If a tie remains, the athlete's next single best field placing percentage will be used, until the tie is broken.

### **Block Host Nation: Craigleith (CAN)**

27. The first priority in the allocation of Block 'Host Nation' World Cup competitive opportunities shall be given to members of the National Alpine Team and those with earned Personal Quota spots:

Men:  
Arnaud Gaudet (NT)  
Ben Heldman (NT)  
Michael Nazwaski (Personal)  
Jules Lefebvre (Personal)  
Riley Kilmer-Choi (Personal)

Women:  
Megan Farrell (NT)  
Aurelie Moisan (Personal)

28. The second priority in the allocation of Block 'Host Nation' World Cup competitive opportunities shall be awarded to members of the [2023/24 CS Alpine NextGen Team](#).

Men:  
Jamie Behan (NG)  
Justin Carpentier (NG)

Women:  
Kaylie Buck (NG)

NextGen Team Members will be ranked, by gender, as follows:

- a. Taking the athlete's FIS Points as described on the most recently published Parallel (PAR) FIS Points List as of the Selection Deadline.
  - b. In the event of a tie, it will be broken in favour of the athlete who earned the most FIS Points at a single Level 2 (or higher) competition during the Competition Season (as of the Selection Deadline). If a tie remains, the athlete's next highest FIS Points earned at a single Level 2 (or higher) competition during the Competition Season (as of the Selection Deadline) will be used, until the tie is broken.
29. The third priority in the allocation of Block 'Host Nation' World Cup competitive opportunities will be awarded to eligible athletes who achieve the following results at the following Block 'A' or 'B' World Cup competitions:

Men:  
Two (2) Top 32 Final Results

Women:  
Two (2) Top 2/3 Final Results

Block 'A' and 'B' competitions are:



- a. December 14, 2023: Carezza, ITA World Cup (PGS)
- b. December 16, 2023: Cortina d'Ampezzo, ITA World Cup (PGS)
- c. December 23, 2023: Davos, SUI World Cup (PSL)
- d. January 13, 2024: Scoul, SUI World Cup (PGS)
- e. January 16, 2024: Bad Gastein, AUT (PSL)
- f. January 20 – 21, 2024: Pamporovo, BUL (PSL)
- g. January 25, 2024: Rogla, SLO (PGS)
- h. January 27, 2024: Simonhöhe, AUT (PGS)

Eligible athletes will be ranked as follows:

- a. Taking the athlete's average of their two (2) best results, based on field placing as a percentage of the field, from the Block 'A' or 'B' World Cups listed above.
  - c. In the event of a tie, the athlete's single best result will be used, based on field placing as a percentage of the field.
  - d. If a tie remains, it will be broken in favour of the athlete with the most FIS points on the most recently published FIS PAR Point List as of the Selection Deadline.
30. The fourth priority in the allocation of Block 'Host Nation World Cup competitive opportunities shall be allocated based on a ranking list, created by gender where eligible athletes will be ranked in descending order (from highest to lowest) by the average of the FIS Points awarded for their top two (2) final results from eligible competitions, during the Competition Season (as of the Selection Deadline). Below are the results which will be considered in the ranking process:
- Level 1 Competitions (WC, WCH): All results from eligible competitions will be considered.
  - All other FIS Competitions: Results from eligible competitions must fall within the Top Half (1/2) of the final field to be considered in the ranking process.

An athlete must have two (2) results which meet the above considerations, otherwise they will not be included in the ranking process or allocated a Quota spot even if a Quota spot remains.

If a tie exists, it shall be broken in favour of the athlete with the single best (lowest) field placing percentage at an eligible competition, using the following calculation: (field placing = result / field size x 100). If a tie remains, the athlete's next single best field placing percentage will be used, until the tie is broken.

**Block C: Krynica (POL), Winterberg (GER), Berchtesgaden (GER)**

31. The first priority in the allocation of Block 'C' World Cup competitive opportunities shall be given to eligible members of the National Alpine Team and those with earned personal spots:

Men:

Arnaud Gaudet (NT)  
Ben Heldman (NT)  
Michael Nazwaski (Personal)  
Jules Lefebvre (Personal)  
Riley Kilmer-Choi (Personal)

Women:

Megan Farrell (NT)  
Aurelie Moisan (Personal)



32. The second priority in the allocation of Block 'C' World Cup competitive opportunities shall be awarded to members of the [2023/24 CS Alpine NextGen Team](#).

Men: \_\_\_\_\_

Jamie Behan (NG)

Justin Carpentier (NG)

Women: \_\_\_\_\_

Kaylie Buck (NG)

NextGen Team Members will be ranked, by gender, as follows:

- a. Taking the athlete's FIS Points as described on the most recently published Parallel (PAR) FIS Points List (as of the Selection Deadline).
  - b. In the event of a tie, it will be broken in favour of the athlete who earned the most FIS Points at a single Level 2 (or higher) competition during the Competition Season (as of the Selection Deadline).
  - c. If a tie remains, the athlete's next highest FIS Points earned at a single Level 2 (or higher) competition during the Competition Season (as of the Selection Deadline) will be used, until the tie is broken.
33. The third priority in the allocation of Block 'C' World Cup competitive opportunities shall be awarded to eligible athletes who achieve the following results at Block 'B' World Cup competitions:

Men: \_\_\_\_\_

Two (2) Top 32 Final Results

Women: \_\_\_\_\_

Two (2) Top 2/3 Final Results

Block 'B' competitions are:

- a. January 13, 2024: Scoul, SUI World Cup (PGS)
- b. January 16, 2024: Bad Gastein, AUT (PSL)
- c. January 20 – 21, 2024: Pamporovo, BUL (PSL)
- d. January 25, 2024: Rogla, SLO (PGS)
- e. January 27, 2024: Simonhöhe, AUT (PGS)

Eligible athletes will be ranked as follows:

- a. Taking the athlete's average of their two (2) best results, based on field placing as a percentage of the field, from the Block 'B' World Cups listed above.
  - b. In the event of a tie, the athlete's single best result will be used, based on field placing as a percentage of the field.
  - c. If a tie remains, it will be broken in favour of the athlete with the most FIS points on the most recently published FIS PAR Point List (as of the Selection Deadline).
34. Any remaining Block 'C' World Cup competitive opportunities shall be allocated based on a ranking list, created by gender where eligible athletes will be ranked in descending order (from highest to lowest) by the average of the FIS Points awarded for their top two (2) final results from eligible competitions, during the Competition Season (as of the Selection Deadline). Below are the results which will be considered in the ranking process:
- Level 1 Competitions (WC, WCH): All results from eligible competitions will be considered.
  - All other FIS Competitions: Results from eligible competitions must be within the Top Half (1/2) of the final field placing to be considered in the ranking process.



An athlete must have two (2) results which meet the above considerations, otherwise they will not be included in the ranking process or allocated a Quota spot even if a Quota spot remains.

If a tie exists, it shall be broken in favour of the athlete with the single best (lowest) field placing percentage at an eligible competition, using the following calculation: (field placing = result / field size x 100). If a tie remains, the athlete's next single best field placing percentage will be used, until the tie is broken.

### **Alpine Mixed Gender Team Event:**

35. The currently scheduled Alpine Mixed Gender Team (PRT) competitions for the 2023-24 season are:
- |                       |                  |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| a. Bad Gastein, AUT   | January 17, 2024 |
| b. Simonhöhe, AUT     | January 28, 2024 |
| c. Winterberg, GER    | March 10, 2024   |
| d. Berchtesgaden, GER | March 17, 2024   |

Should additional PRT competitions be added to the calendar following the publication of the Selection Protocol, selection into teams will follow the same process as outlined below.

36. The number of teams Canada may field at a given event will be determined according to [FIS World Cup Rules](#).
37. Athletes who are eligible and selected to participate in the individual Alpine event (at the same venue) are also eligible for potential selection to participate in the Mixed Gender Team Alpine event.
38. Mixed Team event participation for Canadian athletes will be determined as follows:
- Team #1: priority will be given to teams who placed within the Top 4 of the final results during any Mixed Gender Team Event of the 2023-24 season (as of the Selection Deadline).
    - In the event of a tie, it will be broken in favour of the team who had the highest placing at any eligible team event during the Competition Season (as of the Selection Deadline).
    - If a tie remains, it will be broken in favour of the team with the highest average World Cup ranking (as of the Selection Deadline).

In the event Canada is allocated two or more teams, or if no one meets the criteria listed in Section 38.a above (including in respect of the first Team Event of the 2023-24 season), nomination will be determined as follows to field the remaining number of teams:

- The Male and Female athlete with the best final result from the individual World Cup race at the same venue.

The Canada Snowboard Alpine HPP coach(es) will make decisions on the Mixed Gender Team pairing(s) on site during the relevant World Cup competition, based on the final results of the individual race at the same venue. The final composition and fielding of the Mixed Gender Alpine



Team Event team(s) will be made by the Canada Snowboard Alpine HPP coach(es) with the ultimate goal of fielding the most competitive team pairing(s) who have demonstrated that they are most capable of achieving a podium result. This decision will be based on the coaches' judgement and entrusted to them in their role with the team as a HPP Coach.

NOTE: Canadian Parallel Giant Slalom and Parallel Slalom World Cup Quota, as outlined in Section 12, above, applies to individual PGS or PSL competitions only. Alpine Team Event participation will be determined at the World Cup venue and will only include those athletes who started in the individual competition(s) at the same venue.

NOTE: Team Event results will not be considered in the allocation of competitive opportunities for individual World Cup competitions as outlined in Sections 20 through 34 of this document.

### **HEALTH RELATED CURTAILMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

39. There may be occasions when an athlete who is otherwise selected to participate is or becomes, by reason of a health-related curtailment of activities, unable to compete. In such circumstances, provided that the injured athlete with the health-related curtailment has been assessed by a Canada Snowboard approved physician and such assessment supports this decision, Canada Snowboard shall have the discretion to replace the injured athlete with another eligible athlete.
40. Canada Snowboard may, at any time, require an athlete who is unable to participate in training or competition due to injury or illness, to obtain a medical assessment from a team physician. The purpose of the medical assessment is to confirm the degree of the athlete's injury and to determine the expected timeline for the athlete's recovery.

### **COACHING**

41. Unless otherwise approved by Canada Snowboard in accordance with the criteria listed in the Canada Snowboard Athlete Agreement, an athlete who is not coached by a currently certified Canada Snowboard Coaching Program (CSCP) Coach may not participate in a FIS sanctioned snowboard competition for Canada Snowboard.

The CS Coaching Program Minimum Standards can be found at:

[https://www.canadasnowboard.ca/files/Canada\\_Snowboard\\_CSCP\\_Scope\\_of\\_Practice\\_Policy\\_EN.pdf](https://www.canadasnowboard.ca/files/Canada_Snowboard_CSCP_Scope_of_Practice_Policy_EN.pdf).

The Canada Snowboard Coaching Program (CSCP) Policies can be found at:  
<https://www.canadasnowboard.ca/en/programs/technical/coaching/policies/>

Coaches registered outside of Canada may be approved by Canada Snowboard on a case-by-case basis. The coach will need to accept and sign a liability form, provide proof of current coaching membership from their relevant certification body, provide a current background check, and agree



to abide by Canada Snowboard's relevant policies (including the Code of Conduct and Ethics, which can be found in the '[Document Center](#)' on the Canada Snowboard website). Coaches must also agree to sign the Universal Code of Conduct to Prevent and Address Maltreatment in Sport (UCCMS) Informed Consent Form if requested by Canada Snowboard. All requests must be submitted for prior approval to Kim Krahulec, High Performance Director – Speed at: [kim.krahulec@canadasnowboard.ca](mailto:kim.krahulec@canadasnowboard.ca). Any concerns with respect to this requirement should be addressed at the earliest opportunity.

#### **ON-SITE DECISION MAKING AUTHORITY**

42. During the actual competition period onsite at any of the FIS Snowboard World Cup competitions outlined herein, all final decision-making authority will reside with the Canada Snowboard National Team Coaching Staff, in consultation with the High Performance Director - Speed, whenever possible and practical. The High Performance Director - Speed shall retain decision-making authority in the absence of the Canada Snowboard HPP Coach(es).

#### **APPEALS**

43. Any appeal of any decision of the Selection Committee may be made by any CS member in good standing who is directly affected by the decision. Appeals must be conducted in accordance with the Canada Snowboard Appeals Policy, which is available on the Canada Snowboard website at: <http://www.canadasnowboard.ca/en/docs>.

Individuals wishing to appeal a decision of the Selection Committee are also encouraged to consult the Canada Snowboard Appeals Policy Process Map which is available on the Canada Snowboard website at: <https://www.canadasnowboard.ca/files/AppealsPolicyProcessMap.pdf>

#### **GENERAL**

44. This Selection Protocol was originally drafted in English and then translated into French. Where there is a difference in interpretation between the French and English versions of this document, which may be due to translation, then the English version shall be used to understand the drafter's intent.
45. This Selection Protocol is intended to apply as drafted. Unforeseen circumstances or circumstances beyond Canada Snowboard's control may arise which prevent relevant competitions from taking place or from taking place in a fair manner. Where the procedure for nomination as described in this Selection Protocol would result in a nomination process which is unfair or not in the best interests of Canada Snowboard's performance objectives and the general principles for selection, as indicated in this Selection Protocol.
46. In the event of such unforeseen circumstances the Canada Snowboard High Performance Director – Speed will, where possible, consult with the Vice President, Sport to determine if the circumstances justify competition and/or nomination taking place in an alternative manner. In such circumstances, the High Performance Director - Speed shall communicate the alternative



selection or nomination process to all impacted individuals as soon as possible. In the event an alternative selection or nomination process takes place, the Selection Committee remains responsible for making selection decisions, in accordance with the revised protocol as determined by the High Performance Director - Speed.

47. In accordance with Section 19 above, amendments to this document necessitated by changes to FIS rules, regulations, and schedules will be communicated directly to the affected athletes as well as posted to the Canada Snowboard website as soon as is reasonably possible.