



**SELECTION PROTOCOL
2023 FIS SNOWBOARD WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS: ALL DISCIPLINES**

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Canada Snowboard recognizes that, as of the approval date of this Selection Protocol, the coronavirus remains a global pandemic. Situations related to the coronavirus may arise that require this Selection Protocol to be modified. Any required modifications will be made promptly and will come into effect as of the date of publication, and will be communicated as soon as possible.

Further, unforeseen circumstances may arise that do not allow this Selection Protocol to be applied as written. In such circumstances, decisions will be made and communicated in accordance with Sections 37 - 38 of this Selection Protocol.

A. INTRODUCTION

1. The purpose of this document is to set out the process and criteria that will be used by Canada Snowboard to select athletes to the 2023 FIS Snowboard World Championships (WCH), which will take place from February 19 – March 5, 2023 in Bakuriani, GEO, with the goal of fielding the most competitive and capable team to achieve our Performance Objective of winning World Championship Medals. This is the guiding principle Canada Snowboard took into consideration when developing this Selection Protocol and will be the principle used by Canada Snowboard when selecting athletes to the 2023 FIS World Championships.
2. Canada Snowboard, through its membership in the Canadian Snowsports Association (CSA), is granted by the FIS the right to enter eligible athletes in FIS sanctioned Snowboard events, including World Championships. 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.
3. This document sets out the process for identifying those athletes who will be invited by Canada Snowboard to participate in the 2023 FIS Snowboard World Championships in the disciplines of:
 - a) Slopestyle & Big Air (SBS & BA)
 - b) Alpine (PSL & PGS) & Mixed Parallel Slalom Team (PRT)
 - c) Snowboardcross (SBX) & Mixed Team Event (BTX)
 - d) Halfpipe (HP)
4. For information on the selection process for events not covered by this document (e.g. World Cups, Jr. World Championships & Olympics), please refer to the relevant Selection Protocol section on the Canada Snowboard 'Document Centre': <http://www.canadasnowboard.ca/en/docs/>.



5. Any exceptions to the procedures set out in the Selection Protocol must be based on the general policies of the Canada Snowboard High Performance Program. The HPP general policies can be found in the Document Centre on the Canada Snowboard website at:
<https://www.canadasnowboard.ca/files/HPP-GeneralPolicies.pdf>
6. Except where otherwise specified herein, final decisions in regards to athlete selection for the 2023 FIS Snowboard World Championships shall be ratified by the Executive Director on the basis of recommendations by the World Championships Selection Committee, which shall consist of the Sport & High Performance Director and the HPP Manager(s), with technical input provided by the Canada Snowboard National Team coaching staff of each discipline.

B. TERMS

7. The following abbreviated terms are used in this Selection Protocol document:
 - a) FIS: Fédération Internationale de Ski
 - b) NSO: National Sport Organization
 - c) HPP: High Performance Program
 - d) WCH: FIS World Championships
 - e) WC: FIS World Cup
 - f) WSPL: World Snowboarding Points List

C. ELIGIBILITY

8. To be **eligible** to participate in the 2023 FIS Snowboard WCH, 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)
 - i. SPEED:
 - a. SNOWBOARDCROSS: Must be ranked within the Top 20 Women or Top 40 Men as described on the FIS Overall Snowboardcross World Cup Standings as of the Selection Deadline (January 29, 2023);
 - b. ALPINE: Must be ranked within the Top 30 Women or Top 40 Men as described on the FIS Overall PGS or PSL World Cup Standings as of the Selection Deadline;
 - ii. FREESTYLE:
 - a) Must have a minimum of 200 points on the WSPL (Halfpipe and Slopestyle) as of the Selection Deadline; and
 - b) Athletes Must have at least one (1) World Cup result worth atleast 200 WSPL for their placing;
 - c) Upon Selection, read and sign the Canada Snowboard Code of Conduct, which outlines the expectations an athlete representing Canada must follow; and



- d) Have a valid FIS license; and
- e) Have purchased the appropriate class of CSA/NSO Sport Accident Insurance (SAIP) - Level 1 is mandatory for National Team members and a minimum of Level 2 is required for out of country coverage; and
- f) Have a valid Canadian Passport, which must be valid for at least six months beyond the date of travel; and
- g) Comply with all relevant FIS requirements for eligibility.

D. ALLOCATION OF COMPETITIVE OPPORTUNITIES

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

The grounds for any such decision must be discussed in detail 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 established by FIS for an event 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 satisfy the selection process for nomination. The selection process is a means to determine athletes with the potential to meet our performance objective indicated in point 1., above.
10. Each NSO recognized by FIS may enter a maximum of 36 athletes in the WCHs, plus the competitor/s according to art. 9.3 of the FIS Rules for the Organisation of FIS World Championships (i.e., the reigning World Champion), with the following restrictions:
 - a) Maximum of 4 athletes per event per gender; and
 - b) Maximum of 20 athletes per gender.
 11. The nations' quota for Alpine (PAR), Halfpipe (HP) and Snowboardcross (SBX) will be allocated using the most recent FIS points list at the time of the provisional team selection on January 29, 2023 (the "Selection Deadline").
 - a) For Basic Qualification (BQ) one competitor can be entered with a minimum of 5 FIS points in Alpine (PAR) and Halfpipe (HP). Additional Qualification (AQ) competitors must have a minimum of 50 FIS points.
 - i. For Snowboardcross (SBX) and Alpine (PGS/PSL) Basic Qualification (BQ) and Additional Qualification (AQ), all competitors must have a minimum of 50 FIS points.
 - ii. Slopestyle (SBS) and Big Air (BA) will be treated as one (1) Discipline and



for Basic Qualification (BQ) and Additional qualification (AQ), competitors must have a minimum of 80 FIS points from the Slopestyle FIS Points List.

- b) Speed and Halfpipe: The allocation will be made by assigning one quota place per nation that fulfills the basic quota requirement. The remaining spots will be allocated by assigning one quota place per competitor from the top of the FIS points list downwards until the maximum is reached. Once a nation has achieved the maximum of four quota spots per gender/event, its remaining competitors will no longer be counted and the next eligible nation on the FIS points list will be allocated a quota.
 - c) Slopestyle/ Big Air: The allocation will be made using the 4th posted FIS points list scheduled for posting on November 16, 2022 by assigning one quota place per nation that fulfills the basic quota requirement. The remaining additional quota will be allocated to the nations based on the ranking of individuals up to a maximum of 4 per gender per nation and to a total maximum field size of 60 male competitors and 30 female competitors
 - d) The Athlete Qualification information above is taken from the WCH's invitation, available online at:
<https://medias1.fis-ski.com/pdf/2023/SB/6073/2023SB6073INVI.pdf>
12. Due to the overall maximum team size of 36 competitors, the 4th ranked athletes, from each gender and in each event, will be compared by a multi-discipline ranking based on the 2022/23 season as of the Selection Deadline. Eligible placings will be defined as individual FIS World Cups (Speed) and World Cups plus 800+ Level WSPL events (Freestyle).

The 4th ranked athletes from each gender and in each event will be ranked as follows:

- a) Taking the athlete's average of their two (2) best results from eligible events, based on field placing as a percentage of the field.
 - b) In the event of a tie, then the athlete's single best result will be used.
 - c) If a tie still remains, the athlete with the next best placing at an eligible event based on field placing as a percentage of the field that breaks the tie will be selected.
13. 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 ranking percentage.



14. This Selection Process is based on FIS rules and regulations as presently known and understood and on the latest information available to Canada Snowboard. Should Canada Snowboard become aware of any changes to the FIS rules and regulations, Canada Snowboard will review and amend this Selection Protocol as necessary to comply with new rules and regulations. 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.

E. SELECTION PROCESS

15. The Selection Deadline for the 2023 World Championships team is January 29, 2023
16. Athletes who satisfy all of the eligibility requirements set out at Section 8 above will be ranked by discipline, according to gender, based on the process outlined below. Additionally:
 - a) Athletes selected for Slopestyle will also be selected to compete in Big Air; and,
 - b) Athletes selected in Alpine (PGS or PSL) will compete in both events.
17. Only eligible final results achieved from an individual competition will be considered in the "Ranking Process" detailed in Sections 18 through 26 below. Team Event results will not be considered in the allocation of competitive opportunities for the 2023 FIS Snowboard World Championships.

Snowboardcross

18. Priority in the allocation of competitive opportunities shall be given to members of the Snowboardcross National Team:

Men:

Eliot Grondin
Liam Moffatt
Evan Bichon

Women:

Meryeta O'Dine
Audrey McManiman

- a. National Team members will be ranked and selected for available competitive opportunities based on their FIS Overall Snowboardcross World Cup Ranking as of the Selection Deadline.
 - b. In the event of a tie, the athletes single best World Cup result will be used (based on field placing percentage).
 - c. If a tie still remains, it will be broken in favour of the athlete with the most FIS Points as described on the most recent FIS Points List as of the Selection Deadline until the tie is broken.
19. Remaining competitive opportunities will be awarded to eligible athletes, by gender, based on their best two (2) final results at the following individual SBX World Cup competitions:
 - a. December 2-3, 2022: Les Deux Alpes, FRA



- b. December 7-9, 2022: Montafon, AUT
- c. December 17-18 Cervinia, ITA
- d. January 27-28, 2023: Cortina d'Ampezzo, ITA

Please note that the above listed FIS World Cup schedule could change. For clarity, Canada Snowboard will use all SBX FIS World Cup results from the 22/23 season which are achieved prior to or on the Selection Deadline for the selection process.

Additionally, athlete nomination is conditional on the athlete meeting the following benchmark:

- a. The athlete must have advanced to the final round of at least one (1) of the World Cup competitions listed in Section 19 a.-d. above (as it may be amended).

Note: Advancing to the final round shall be defined as advancing from Qualifications (time trials) into final heat brackets of Top 16 Women (Quarterfinal: 1/4) / Top 32 Men (Eighth final: 1/8) when finals are in heats of four (4), or Top 24 Women (Quarterfinal: 1/4) / Top 48 Men (Eighth final: 1/8) when finals are in heats of six (6). In circumstances where time trials do not occur and athletes are seeded directly into final heat brackets through pre-heat races, advancing to the final round shall be defined as advancing through two (2) rounds of brackets into the Quarter final (1/4) for Women and into the Eighth final (1/8) for Men.

Eligible athletes will be ranked for remaining competitive opportunities as follows:

- b. Taking the athlete's average of the best two (2) final results (based on field placing percentage) from the World Cup competitions listed in Section 19 a-d above (as it may be amended).
- c. In the event of a tie, the athlete's next best result will be used (based on field placing percentage).
- d. If a tie still remains, it will be broken in favour of the athlete with the most FIS Points as described on the most recent FIS Point List as of the Selection Deadline until the tie is broken.

20. Method of Fielding Mixed Gender Snowboardcross Team Event (BTX)

Athletes who are eligible and selected to participate in the individual Snowboardcross event are also eligible for potential selection to participate in the Mixed Team Snowboardcross Event.

Team Event participation for Canadian athletes will be determined as follows:

- a. Team #1 and #2 will be determined by the Snowboardcross National Team Co-Head Coaches by consensus, considering the factors listed below. Selection remains at the discretion of the Co-Head Coaches, with the ultimate goal of fielding the most competitive team pairing who have demonstrated that they are the most capable of achieving a podium result.



Factors that will be considered by the Co-Head Coaches in the selection of Team #1 & #2 include technical and tactical aspects of the event, as well as team dynamics. These factors include, but are not limited to:

- Previous and current performance at major international competitions (WC, WCH, OLY);
- Team composition requirements and technical demands of the specific course;
- Demonstrated strong field of play decision making;
- Proven competitive experience and success in individual Snowboardcross races at the international level; and
- Consideration of performance at the individual race at the same venue.

It is understood that in making selections to create the best possible team pairings, it is possible that the highest ranked individual athlete(s) may not be selected.

If Canada is allocated three or more teams, participation for remaining team positions will be determined as follows:

- b. Team #3: Top Ranked Male and Female finishers (not previously selected to Teams #1 or #2) according to the best final result in the individual race at the same venue.

If there are any team positions remaining after fielding Team #1, #2 and #3, as described above, remaining team(s) positions will be determined based on the next ranked male and female finishers according to the final results in the individual races at the same venue.

NOTE: Team Event participation decision(s) will be made onsite during the World Championship competition period in accordance with any FIS rules and regulations, and will only include those athletes who started in the individual race at that venue.

Alpine

21. Priority in the allocation of competitive opportunities shall be awarded to eligible athletes based on the average of the athlete's best two (2) final results (based on field placing percentage) from eligible World Cup competitions listed in Section 21. a-g, below (as it may be amended).

Additionally, athlete nomination is conditional on the athlete meeting the following benchmark:

- a. The Athlete must have two (2x) Top 32 final results at the World Cup competitions listed in Section 21.a-g, below (as it may be amended) in order to be considered.

The following individual PGS & PSL World Cup competitions will be utilized to establish if an athlete has satisfied the benchmark of having two (2) x Top 32 finals results as outlined in Section 21.a, above:

- a. December 10-11, 2022: Winterberg, GER
- b. December 15, 2022: Carezza, ITA



- c. December 17, 2022: Cortina d'Ampezzo, ITA
- d. January 10-11, 2023: Bad Gastein, AUT
- e. January 14, 2023: Scoul, SUI
- f. January 21-22, 2023: Bansko, BUL
- g. January 26-27, 2023: Blue Mountain, ON

Please note that the above listed FIS World Cup schedule could change. For clarity, Canada Snowboard will use all PGS & PSL FIS World Cup results from the 22/23 season which are achieved prior to or on the Selection Deadline for the selection process.

Eligible athletes will be ranked for available competitive opportunities as follows:

- a. Taking the athlete's average of the best two (2) final results (based on field placing percentage) from the World Cup competitions listed in Section 21 a-h, above (as it may be amended).
- b. In the event of a tie, the athlete's next best result will be used (based on field placing percentage).
- c. If a tie still remains, it will be broken in favour of the athlete with the most FIS Points as described on the most recent FIS Point List as of the Selection Deadline until the tie is broken.

22. Method of Fielding Mixed Gender Alpine Team Event (PRT)

Athletes who are eligible and selected to participate in the individual Alpine (PSL/PGS) events are also eligible for potential selection to participate in the Mixed Team Alpine Event.

Team Event participation for Canadian athletes will be determined as follows:

- a. Team #1: Top Ranked Male and Female finishers according to the best final result in the individual race at the same venue.

If Canada is allocated two or more teams, participation for remaining team positions will be determined as follows:

- b. Team #2 will be determined by the CS Alpine National Team Coaches by consensus. Section remains at the discretion of the National Team Coaches, with the ultimate goal of fielding the most competitive team pairing who have demonstrated that they are the most capable of achieving a podium result.

It is understood that in making selections to create the best possible team, it is possible that the highest ranked individual athlete(s) may not be selected for Team #2.



- c. Team #3: Next Ranked Male and Female finishers according to the final result in the individual race at the same venue.

NOTE: The timing of Team Event participation decision(s) will be made onsite during the World Championship competition period in accordance with any FIS rules and regulations, and will only include those athletes who started in the individual race at that venue.

Halfpipe

23. Priority in the allocation of Halfpipe competitive opportunities is given to members of the National Team in the Halfpipe Discipline.
 - a. National Team members will be ranked and selected based on their WSPL points, skill level and long-term development plan as determined by the National Team coach(s), in their sole discretion.
24. Remaining competitive opportunities will be allocated to eligible Athletes which will be ranked, by gender, according to the Halfpipe World Snowboarding Points List (WSPL) as of the Selection Deadline. Athletes will be ranked in order of highest to lowest number of points. Additionally:
 - Athletes must have a minimum of 200 points on the Halfpipe WSPL in order to be eligible for selection
 - Athletes must have at least one (1) World Cup result worth 200 points or more
 - Athletes must also be able to demonstrate the minimum standards for riding in an international Halfpipe World Cup which can be found in appendix A of this document.
 - In the event of a tie in the rankings, the athlete that scored the highest number of points at a single event will be ranked ahead. In the event that the athletes are still tied, the athlete that scored the next highest number points at a single event will be ranked ahead. This process will be continued until the tie has been broken.

Slopestyle & Big Air

25. Priority in the allocation of Slopestyle and Big Air competitive opportunities is given to members of the National Team in the Slopestyle Discipline.
 - a. National Team members will be ranked and selected based on their WSPL points, skill level and long-term development plan as determined by the National Team coach(s), in their sole discretion.
26. Remaining competitive opportunities will be allocated to eligible Athletes which will be ranked, by gender, according to the Slopestyle World Snowboarding Points List (WSPL) as of the Selection Deadline. Athletes will be ranked in order of highest to lowest number of points. Additionally:
 - Athletes must have a minimum of 200 points on the Slopestyle WSPL as of the Selection Deadline in order to be eligible for selection;
 - Athletes must have at least one (1) Slopestyle World Cup result worth 200 points or more



- Athletes must also be able to demonstrate the minimum standards for riding in a Slopestyle World Cup which can be found in appendix A of this document..
- In the event of a tie in the rankings, the athlete with the higher ranking on the Big Air WSPL will be ranked ahead. In the event that the athletes are still tied, the athlete that scored the highest number of points at a single Slopestyle event will be ranked ahead. In the event that the athletes are still tied, the athlete that scored the next highest number of points at a single Slopestyle event will be ranked ahead. This process will be continued until the tie has been broken.

F. SPECIAL RANKING CONSIDERATIONS

27. Selection rankings notwithstanding, Canada Snowboard may at any time withhold competitive opportunities as per the “HPP Protocol for Return to Competition Protocol” (General Policy), which can be found on the “Document Center” of the Canada Snowboard website at:

https://www.canadasnowboard.ca/files/CS_RTS_protocol_2018.pdf

28. Selection rankings notwithstanding, Canada Snowboard shall have the discretion to select athletes to participate in an order other than that indicated by the rankings. Canada Snowboard shall also have the discretion to select fewer male or female athletes than the maximum quota provided by FIS.

The grounds for any such decisions must be discussed and clearly detailed by the Selection Committee in their meeting minutes and must be in accordance with the General Policies of the High-Performance Program. The General Policies are posted on the Canada Snowboard website within the [“Document Centre”](#).

Special Ranking Considerations may include, but are not limited to, the following examples:

- The athlete’s level of physical conditioning, evaluated in terms of the “Strength & conditioning Minimum Standards” established for the High Performance Program.
- The athlete’s level of technical skill, evaluated in terms of the HPP Technical Skills Chart and Athlete Development Matrix. Benchmarks are determined by performance demands of each discipline according to the Gold Medal Profile.
- Anomalies in competitions arising from factors such as weather or abnormally small field sizes, or the gross inflation of the points value of the event, which are considered by the Selection Committee to be a factor in the attainment of or failure to attain results.
- Gaps in the points used to rank athletes, which may be taken to represent a significant gap in performance ability. A gap will be defined as a 5% change of the maximum allowance of points. For instance, if using the FIS Points system (1000 Point Maximum) three athletes have 100, 97, and 96 points respectively, and the next ranked athlete has 45 points, a gap may be said to exist which indicates an athlete’s potential ability or inability to compete at the same level as other Canada Snowboard athletes in the same discipline.



- Determination of what constitutes a significant gap may fluctuate depending on results achieved and where the majority of riders fall within the criteria met. Canada Snowboard will provide reasoned explanations and data to support any decisions to not select athletes because it has been considered that a significant gap exists.
- An athlete who shows excellent physical characteristics (measured in testing) or technical capability may be moved higher than her or his calculated ranking.
- An athlete who has failed to capitalize on numerous competitive opportunities and is therefore not progressing towards the program goal may move lower than his or her calculated ranking.

G. HEALTH RELATED CURTAILMENT OF ACTIVITIES

29. 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, Canada Snowboard shall have the discretion to replace this athlete with another eligible athlete, provided that the athlete to be replaced has been assessed by a Canada Snowboard approved physician and such assessment supports this decision.
30. Canada Snowboard may, at any time, require an athlete who is unable to participate in training or competition due to injury, 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.

H. COACHING

31. 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 an official Canada Snowboard Coach may not participate in a FIS Snowboard Event. The CS Coaching Program information and Minimum Standards can be found at:
<https://www.canadasnowboard.ca/en/programs/technical/coaching/>

Coaches registered outside of Canada may be approved on a case-by-case basis where the coach will need to accept and sign a liability form, provide proof of sufficient insurance, provide proof of current coaching membership from their relevant certification body, provide a current background check, and agree to abide by Canada Snowboard relevant policies (including the Code of Conduct, which can be referenced in the 'Document Center' on the Canada Snowboard website).

All requests must be submitted for prior approval to Kim Krahulec, High Performance Speed Manager, at: kim.krahulec@canadasnowboard.ca or Tyler Ashbee, High Performance Freestyle Manager, at: tyler@canadasnowboard.ca. Any concerns with respect to this requirement should be addressed at the earliest opportunity.



32. ON-SITE DECISION MAKING AUTHORITY

During the actual competition period at the 2023 FIS Snowboard World Championships all final decision-making authority will reside with the Head Coach(es) of each discipline, in consultation with the Team Leader. The Team Leader shall retain sole decision-making authority in the absence of the Head Coach.

33. STAFF SELECTION (COACHES, TEAM LEADERS & SUPPORT STAFF)

The Canada Snowboard Sport & High Performance Director has the sole discretion in selecting the support staff, including the team leaders and coach(es) for the 2023 FIS Snowboard World Championships. The support staff will be selected based on the principle of sending a team of specialists that is best capable of assisting athletes in achieving podium performances.

Canada Snowboard is limited in the accreditation allocation for support staff for the 2023 FIS Snowboard World Championships and as such, it is possible that selected support staff may not receive an accreditation or related benefits. All effort will be prioritized to ensure support staff have appropriate access to venues as it relates to performing their duties and contributing to the overall success of the 2023 FIS Snowboard World Championships Team performance.

APPEALS

34. Any appeal of any decision of the Selection Committee may be made by any Canada Snowboard member in good standing who is directly affected by the decision. Appeals must be conducted in accordance with the Canada Snowboard Appeals Protocol, 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

35. 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, the English version shall be used to understand the drafter's intent.
36. This Selection Protocol is intended to apply as drafted and, specifically, where no athletes are prevented from competing in relevant events because of an unforeseen injury or other unanticipated or unforeseen circumstances. Unforeseen circumstances or circumstances beyond Canada Snowboard's control may arise which prevent relevant competitions from taking place or taking place in a fair manner, and/or 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.



37. In the event of such circumstances, the Canada Snowboard Sport & High Performance Director will, where possible, consult with the Executive Director to determine if the circumstances justify competition and/or nomination taking place in an alternative manner. In such circumstances, the Sport & High-Performance Director shall communicate the alternative selection or nomination process to all impacted individuals as soon as possible and the World Championships selection committee would follow the revised protocol for selection.
38. In accordance with Section 14 above, amendments to this document necessitated by changes to FIS rules and regulations will be communicated directly to the affected athletes as well as posted to the Canada Snowboard website as soon as reasonably possible.

APPENDIX A
TECHNICAL MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR WORLD CUPS, WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS, & OLYMPICS



HALFPIPE

Maneuvers and airs will NOT count if they are:

- below the lip
- 90+ degrees skidded finish
- NOT grabbed

All Performance Benchmarks are evaluated in an entire run. (i.e. skills are not evaluated independently)

Men

Straight air at 10feet

2 way 720 at 7 feet

1 way 900 7 feet

Must spin both frontside and backside

Consistent, grabbed, all in same run, in a 22 foot pipe.

Women

Straight air at 7'

2 way 540 at 5feet

1 way 720 at 5feet

Consistent, grabbed, all in same run, in a 22 foot pipe.

SLOPESTYLE

Tricks must be completed over features 15m (50') in length from take-off to knuckle.

Tricks must be grabbed and consistently landed.

Men

2 way 1080's

2 way 900's

Women

2 way 360

1 way 540

Boardslide/lipslide at 90° through entire rail feature