

CANADA SNOWBOARD SLOPESTYLE NATIONAL TEAM 2027-2028 SELECTION ELIGIBILITY AND CRITERIA SHEET		
Team	2027-28 Slopestyle National Team	
Team Size Determining Factors:	5:1 Athlete to Coach Ratio (maximum) 2027-28 Anticipated FIS World Cup Quota (Male and Female Specific) Team Resources	
Selection Committee Composition	HPP Director (Park and Pipe) HPP Coordinator HPP National Team Coaches (Slopestyle)	
Important Dates and Deadlines		
Conclusion of the 2026/27 FIS World Cup Season	April 4, 2027	
Email Invitation to Submit Athlete Application	Between April 4 and April 30, 2027 *Athletes (Parents if minors), and their coaches will be informed of eligibility status and emailed based on the SnowReg (Canada Snowboard Membership system) email address on file.	
Application Submission Deadline	Seven (7) days from notification of invitation to submit application at 5:00 p.m. PST	
Selection Period	April 4, 2026 to April 4, 2027 World Snowboard Points List (WSPL) Events	
Appeal Deadline	Appeals must be submitted in accordance with the Canada Snowboard Appeal Policy and must be received not later than 5:00 p.m. PST seven (7) days after the date the athlete is notified of the decision	
Appeal Policy Link	https://www.canadasnowboard.ca/files/Canada_Snowboard_Appeal_Policy_EN.pdf	
2027-28 National Team Start date	July 1, 2027 (Valid to June 30, 2028)	
Eligibility Criteria		
Eligible Competitions	April 4, 2026 to April 4, 2027 WSPL Events	
Eligibility Pathways	Pathway A: National Team	Pathway B: NextGen (Athletes 4-8 years out from 1st OLY/WCH Medal Performance)
Athlete Eligibility - Minimum Event Participation	2x Pro WSPL Events 1x Challenger WSPL Events	1x Pro WSPL Events 2x Challenger WSPL Events
Athlete Eligibility - Minimum WSPL Slopestyle Ranking	Canadian Rank: Top 12 Men 8 Women World Rank: Top 100	Canadian Rank: Top 20 Men 15 Women World Rank: Top 150
Athlete Eligibility - Entry Age to Pathway	N/A	Men: Born between 2009-2012 Women: Born between 2008-2012
Exceptions	Refer to CS HPP General Selection Protocol (GSP) for Health Related Curtailment and Exceptional Circumstances - Link at bottom	
APPLICATION SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS		
Application Form	https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSi5AeYzc2NVjn-5y2F25xwGAZM0b1BuWS0ZDcMIlt49mAuA/viewform?usp=header	
Skill Chart	To be provided to eligible athletes/coaches	
Skill Chart info	It is important to carefully review the ranking system for skill levels 1 to 10 in the linked document and to accurately indicate your current skill level or that of your athlete. New Skills should be skills landed for the first time during the 2026/27 season.	
Video	Video Submissions can be uploaded or linked in the application form above or emailed as a reply to the 'invitation to submit athlete application' email. Video submissions must showcase the best/most difficult skills indicated on the submitted skill chart. Any of the best/most difficult skills which are indicated but not showcased in a video submission and confirmed by the Selection Committee will be removed from the skill chart for ranking purposes.	
Criteria Ranking and Process		
Ranking Pathways	Pathway A: National Team	Pathway B: NextGen (Athletes 4-8 years out from 1st OLY/WCH Medal Performance)
Athlete Ranking Priority 1 WSPL Slopestyle Rank/Points	35%	30%
Athlete Ranking Priority 2 WSPL Big Air Rank/Points	15%	N/A
Athlete Ranking Priority 3 Foundational Skill	N/A	20%
Athlete Ranking Priority 4 Competition / Unique / Creative Skill	30%	20%
Athlete Ranking Priority 5 Seasonal Progression (New Skills)	20%	30%
Priority 1/2: Ranking equations: R = Rider Canadian rank P = Rider Points X = NT: 1000, NG: 500	Priority 1 = 35 - (R + ((1000 – P)/28)) Priority 2 = 15 - (R + ((1000 – P)/140))	Priority 1 = 30 - (R + ((500 – P)/28))
Priority 3/4/5 Ranking Equations:	Priority 4 = (Total Competition % + Total Creative/Unique %) x .30 Priority 5 = Total New Skill based on Trick ability scores	Priority 3 = Total Foundation % x .20 Priority 4 = (Total Competition % + Total Creative/Unique %) x .20 Priority 5 = Total New Skill based on Trick ability scores
Ranking Process	Athletes will be ranked and scored out of 100% based on the 5 priorities above. Each gender of each pathway will be ranked on their own sheet for 4 total ranking sheets (Men/Women and A/B) to compare all eligible athletes using similar ranking scales and equations for their individual eligibility pathway and gender. WSPL Ranks and Points will be recorded as of the conclusion of the World Cup Competition calendar - April 4, 2027 Foundational, Competition/Unique/Creative skills will be calculated based on skill difficulty and execution as submitted within the athlete application utilizing the technical experts input, and video review to compare to the submitted skills chart. Seasonal Progression will record the increase (improvement) of skill based on difficulty and execution of the newly learned skills from each athlete during the 2026/27 season.	
Team Selection Process		
Selection Committee Team Selection	Regardless of the pathway (A or B), all eligible and ranked athletes will be considered by the selection committee for National Team positions, from highest to lowest ranking score on a single sheet per gender that merges A and B pathways. Any gaps or discrepancies between the rankings of the A and B pathways will be discussed by the selection committee during the selection process. All athletes in order of their ranking will be discussed based on the following considerations until the maximum team size or no other eligible athletes are left. a) individual athlete pathway; b) past competitive performances; c) current competitive skill level relative to international standards; d) progression trajectory; e) implementation of training and competition plans; f) Elite Performance Characteristics; g) long-term performance potential; and h) overall team composition. Elite Performance Characteristics: The athlete's implementation of and commitment to their on- and off-snow training plan (including attendance at team-organized sessions, warm-ups, cool-downs, and recovery sessions); the athlete's ability to identify and actively prioritize a plan to close performance gaps and build on strengths; and the athlete's contribution to a positive, values-based team environment.	
General Selection Policy	For all details on the selection policy and procedures followed inconsideration of this Selection Eligibility and Criteria sheet. Please refer to the Canada Snowboard High Performance Program General Selection Policy linked in the Appendix of this document below.	
Revision History		
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Appendix(-ces) to this Policy	HPP General Selection Policy (GSP)	https://www.canadasnowboard.ca/files/CS%20General%20Selection%20Policy_100325.pdf