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Snowboard Nova Scotia Selection Protocol Provincial Program

Introduction

Snowboard Nova Scotia's Provincial Program consists of athletes who are at a high level of competition and receive coaching support directly from Snowboard Nova Scotia. Participants of the Provincial Program are athletes who are members of Snowboard Nova Scotia's Provincial team or development programs in the disciplines of Alpine, Freestyle and Snowboard cross.

The ~~purpose of the~~ Provincial Program Selection Protocol serves is to:

- a) Identify those athletes who are eligible for selection to the 2011-12 Provincial Program and
- b) Determine which eligible athletes shall be offered positions on the 2011-12 Snowboard Nova Scotia provincial and development teams.

Eligibility

In order to be eligible for the Provincial Program, an athlete must:

- a) Be a member of Snowboard Nova Scotia.
- b) Be in good standing with Canada~Snowboard and Snowboard Nova Scotia.
- c) Agree to a Snowboard Nova Scotia Athletes Code of Conduct and abide by it throughout all aspects of competition and training.

Selection Process – General

Due to the varied nature of Alpine (PGS and PSL) Freestyle (Half Pipe and Slope Style) and Snowboard Cross, each discipline will have its own ranking system. Alpine and Snowboard Cross athletes will be ranked according to final points list for FIS (International Ski Federation) and the Provincial Series from the previous snowboard season. Freestyle athletes will be ranked according to the final TTR (Ticket to Ride) ranking list and the final Provincial Series points list from the previous snowboard season.

Please note that selection is not exclusively based on rankings. Snowboard Nova Scotia has the authority to select athletes based on factors unrelated to the annual rankings. Selection decisions must be discussed and approved by the Selection Committee. Such selection must follow the objectives of the Snowboard Nova Scotia as presented in the general Provincial Program policies and in Vision 2020: The Long Term Athlete Development Plan for Snowboarding in Canada.



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Eligible athletes will be ranked according to the following criteria:

- **Competition Results (1/3)**
A ranking list will be created for all three disciplines. The top 20 male and top 10 female athletes on this list will move onward for consideration in the Skill Based and Potential categories.
- **Skill Based (1/3)**
Using a Skill Based Assessment chart, the riding skills of the top 20 male and top 10 female athletes in each discipline will be assessed. Skill charts will be compared and a secondary ranking (including both Competition and Skills) will be formulated
- **Potential (1/3)**
Based on the athlete's potential to achieve success or podium at upcoming major events including Olympic Games, Canada Games, or other, each of the above 30 athletes will receive a grade between 1 and 20. The grade value will take into account coach ability, commitment, seasonal progression, work ethic, and podium potential.

Additional factors which may be considered in selection shall include, but may not be limited to:

- The athlete's commitment to a long term training program, as demonstrated by training logs, evaluations, and other documentation maintained by the athlete and his or her coach.
- The athlete's level of physical conditioning, evaluated in terms of the physical conditioning benchmarks established for the Provincial Program.
- The athlete's maintenance of a daily log book.
- Anomalies in competitions, arising from factors such as weather or abnormal field sizes, which have been determined 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. For instance, if three athletes have 100, 97, and 96 points respectively, and the next ranked athlete has 85 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 Snowboard Nova Scotia athletes in the same discipline.