

2017 FIS Freestyle Junior World Ski Championships Ski Cross Selection Criteria

1.0 PREAMBLE

The 2017 FIS Junior World Ski Championships will take place in Valmalenco, Italy between April 3rd to April 7th, 2017

Canada Ski Cross (CSX) will select athletes to participate in the 2017 FIS Freestyle Junior World Ski Championships (Ski Cross discipline) based on the selection criteria outlined herein.

2.0 AUTHORITY

The FIS Freestyle Junior World Ski Championships are conducted under rules established by the International Ski Federation (FIS)

3.0 GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The following guiding principles have been taken into consideration in the development of the 2017 FIS Freestyle Junior World Ski Championships selection criteria:

- The primary objective of CSX is to win medals at the 2017 FIS Freestyle Junior World Ski Championships;
- The freestyle ski athletes selected to represent Canada in the 2017 FIS Freestyle Junior World Championships must demonstrate the ability to win medals.
- The long term benefits of competing and gaining experience at an international level will also be taken into consideration.

4.0 KEY DATES

- CSX will submit a preliminary number of team members no later than January 1st, 2017 as per FIS Junior WSC Rules 9.2.
- Individuals interested in competing at the FIS Freestyle Junior World Ski Championships must express their interest via email to lkucera@alpinecanada.org by February 1st, 2017. This email should include the athletes full name and FIS number.
- CSX will announce the final list of competitors for the FIS Freestyle Junior World Ski Championships no later than March 14th, 2017
- Athletes must confirm their intent to participate in the FIS Freestyle Junior World Ski Championships by no later than March 10th to lkucera@alpinecanada.org
- CSX must submit a final list of athletes to the FIS Freestyle Junior World Ski Championships Organizing Committee no later than March 20th, 2017



5.0 ELIGIBLE COMPETITIONS

All FIS competitions with valid FIS point results between January 1st, 2017 to March 13th, 2017 will be considered eligible competitions for the selection procedures outlined in section 8.0.

6.0 ELIGIBLE ATHLETES

Freestyle ski athletes participating in the Ski Cross discipline will be considered eligible for selection to the 2017 FIS Freestyle Junior World Ski Championships provided they:

- Are a member of a recognized Alpine or Ski Cross Club based in Canada
- Have a Year of Birth between 2000-1996
- Are a member in good standing with the ACA
- Have a valid FIS freestyle license, travel insurance and passport

7.0 QUOTA

- The FIS determines the maximum number of athletes that may compete at the 2017 FIS Freestyle Junior World Ski Championships for each country participating.
- As per FIS, a maximum of four (4) athletes per gender, per event may be entered.
- CSX is not required to fill the quota in any one discipline and reserves the right to select fewer athletes for a discipline than the FIS Quota may allow.

8.0 ATHLETE SELECTION PROCEDURES

Eligible freestyle ski athletes will be selected to compete in the 2017 FIS Freestyle Junior World Ski Championships by the following procedures:

- 1. Eligible ski cross athletes will be ranked separately per gender on the basis of:
 - a. The average of an athletes best 2 FIS points results at eligible competitions.
 - i. In the event of a tie in the average of the 2 best results, the athletes single best result will be used to break the tie, if still tied the athletes third best result will be used to break the tie, if still tied then the results from the National Championships will be used to break the tie, if still tied then the #7 FIS points list from 2016-17 will be used to break the tie, if still tied then the FIS base list for 2016-17 will be used to break the tie.
 - b. All eligible athletes with less than 100 FIS points may be reviewed by CSX staff to ensure they have the necessary skills to compete in the FIS Junior World Ski Championships event.
 - c. CSX will use its expert's opinions in the final selection process.
- 2. ACA Sport Development Manager Ski Cross and Ski Cross NextGen Leadership Team will create a recommendation list of eligible competitors for the 2017 FIS Freestyle Junior World Ski Championships and submit this list to the



- CSX Athletic Director by March 13th, 2017
- 3. CSX Athletic Director will approve the final selection of athletes for the 2017 FIS Freestyle Junior World Ski Championships and announce the team by March 14th

9.0 UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES

In situations where unforeseen circumstance(s), (as determined by CSX), or injury does not allow the Team selection criteria to be fairly and objectively applied, CSX reserves the right to rule on an appropriate course of action.

If the selection criteria results in fewer athletes than the quota allows, CSX reserves the right to adjust the criteria to include additional athletes.

10.0 APPEALS

CSX selections for the 2017 FIS Freestyle Junior World Ski Championships may be appealed in accordance with the procedures set out in the CSX Appeals Protocol.

11.0 FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Athletes selected by CSX for the 2017 FIS Freestyle World Junior Championships will be responsible for expenses associated with the 2017 World Junior Championships. CSX is not committed to providing funding.