



2024 YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES TEAM CANADA NOMINATION CRITERIA

Gangwon, Korea – January 19 – February 1, 2024

ALPINE SKIING

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. This document outlines the criteria and process of Alpine Canada Alpin (“ACA”) to nominate athletes as members of the 2024 Youth Olympic Games team (the “Team”) in Gangwon, Korea, 19 January – 1 February 2024.
- 1.2. The Nomination Guidelines shall be interpreted and applied in accordance with the principles of procedural fairness and natural justice.
- 1.3. The VP Sport Development and Events, ACA, and/or Alpine High-Performance Director, ACA, are responsible for developing and approving the nomination process and procedures for the Team, that will be nominated to the 2024 Youth Olympic Games.

2.0 OBJECTIVES

- 2.1. The Canadian objectives at the 2024 Youth Olympic Games in Gangwon, Korea are:
 - I. To achieve podium success for Canada; and,
 - II. To provide experience and international exposure to Canadian athletes identified as high-performance development level athletes as potential future medalists at the elite level.

3.0 DEFINITIONS

- 3.1 “ACA” means Alpine Canada Alpin;
- 3.2 “Athlete” means a Federation International De Ski/ International Ski Federation (“FIS”) carded Athlete that is a Canadian citizen as defined in the Citizenship and Immigration Act (Canada) and complies with rule 41 of the Olympic Charter.
- 3.3 “YOG” means Youth Olympic Games
- 3.4 “FIS” means International Ski Federation
- 3.5 “CAST” means the Canadian Alpine Ski Team
- 3.6 “PTSO” means Provincial/Territorial Sport Organisations



- 3.7 “CAST Alpine Staff” means any one of the following: Alpine High-Performance Director, VP Sport Development and Events, the discipline Head Coach(s) or any other coach that is designated as a CAST coach, from time to time, by ACA; and,
- 3.8 “Fit to Race” means an assessment by the CAST Alpine Staff, in consultation with the CAST Medical Staff, assessing a number of factors including, physical fitness, level of health, competitive readiness and consistency of training and performance prior to the Games.
- 3.9 “WRBA” means World Ranking by Age
- 3.10 “YOG Nomination Committee” means a committee constituted by ACA that may include the following representatives:
- Alpine High-Performance Director, ACA
 - ACA VP Sport Development and Events
 - PTSO Athletic Director(s)
 - CAST Athlete Representative
 - Any other appointed person by ACA deemed necessary

4.0 QUOTA

- 4.1. The FIS Youth Olympic qualification system for alpine skiing provides the following quota for alpine, subject to revision by FIS on 18 December 2023. The FIS qualification system can be found at <https://www.fis-ski.com/en/inside-fis/document-library/winter-youth-olympic-games - d0280cad70a89349d63820bb> in the event of a discrepancy with the Team Canada nomination document, the qualification system shall prevail:
- I. Canada may earn a maximum of six (6) athlete quota places for the Games, up to a maximum of three (3) males and three (3) females
 - II. A maximum of three (3) athletes per country may compete per event; and,
 - III. A maximum of two (2) athletes per country may compete in the Team Event, with a maximum of one (1) male and one (1) female.
 - IV. A maximum of two (2) athletes, per gender with a YOB, 2006 and maximum of one (1) athlete per gender with a YOB, 2007 will be eligible for nomination.
- 4.2. The CAST Alpine Staff has sole discretion as to the exact final composition of the Team.

5.0 ELIGIBILITY

- 5.1. To be eligible for nomination to the Team, an Athlete must:
- I. Comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force
 - II. Be a Canadian citizen



- III. Have a valid Canadian passport that does not expire on or before 1 August 2024
- IV. Meet all applicable citizen requirements of FIS rules specific to the 2024 YOG, and Rule 41 of the Olympic Charter
- V. Meet FIS medical requirements in accordance with [Article 221: Medical Services, Examinations and Doping of the International Ski Committee Rules \(ICR\)](#);
- VI. Not be under suspension or other sanction for any doping or doping-related offense
- VII. Be “fit to race” prior to 18 December 2023. This deadline does not apply to athletes to whom it is communicated in writing by the VP Sport Development and Events, that Injury Status applies
- VIII. Meet the criteria under section 6.0 during the qualifying period of 1 July 2022 to 17 December 2023
- IX. Meet all age requirements of FIS: all participating athletes in YOG must be born between 1 January 2006 and 31 December 2007
- X. Athletes must have also obtained YOG FIS points subject to the following performance criteria.

Slalom & Giant Slalom	YOG FIS points in at least one (1) FIS alpine event
Super G	YOG FIS points in Downhill, Super G, or Giant Slalom
Alpine Combined	YOG FIS points in Downhill, Super G, Giant Slalom or Alpine Combined

**YOG FIS points are earned in accordance with the FIS Rules for FIS Points during the YOG qualification period from 1 July 2022 to 17 December 2023.*

- XI. Be a member in good standing with the athletes registered Province and Alpine Canada Alpin
- XII. Hold a valid FIS license and athlete insurance for athletes YOB, 2006 and athletes YOB, 2007 must be in possession of an ACA National Competitor Card; and,
- XIII. Sign, submit, and comply with the COC Athlete Agreement and Organising Committee (OCOG) Conditions of Participation form no later than 1 December 2023. Where the athlete is under the age of 19 years, the parent or guardian must also sign these agreements



- XIV. Comply with the current vaccination requirements of ACA, COC, and the host country of the event.

6.0 CRITERIA

Athletes shall be considered for nomination on the following basis:

In the event that Canada is not awarded the full three (3) quota places per gender for Youth Olympic Games, Alpine Canada criteria will be prioritized with athletes born in 2006 fulfilling available quota positions first.

- 6.1. Criteria for 2006 athletes is as follows:
 - I. Top two (2) male and two (2) female FIS registered athletes will be selected based on the published 2024 FIS base list, available July 2023. The sum of their two lowest WRBA will be used for nomination. A minimum one (1) result must be in a technical discipline (SL/GS).
 - II. In the event of a tie, the athlete with the lowest combined WRBA in SL, GS, SG will be considered for nomination to the 2024 YOG Team.
- 6.2. Criteria for 2007 athletes is as follows:
 - I. The top male and top female athlete will be selected based on their results from the 2023 Canada Winter Games. The sum of the two highest point accumulations awarded in two disciplines, using the World Cup points process, will be used for nomination to the 2024 YOG. A minimum one (1) result must be in a technical discipline (SL/GS).
 - II. In the event of a tie, the athlete with the highest combined point (World Cup point allocation) for SL, GS, SG from the 2023 Canada Winter Games will be nominated to the selection committee for the 2024 YOG.

7.0 NOMINATION/SELECTION PROCESS

- 7.1 The VP Sport Development and Events, shall conduct the Team Nomination Meeting, on 1 August 2023, by teleconference. The sole record of the Team Nomination Meeting shall be the meeting minutes which shall refer to Section 6.0 criteria for each athlete considered, including any applicable comments and the final nomination list.
- 7.2 The nomination meeting attendees shall include:
 - I. VP Sport Development and Events
 - II. Alpine, High-Performance Director
 - III. PTSO Athletic Directors of those athletes nominated
 - IV. Any other appointed person by ACA deemed necessary



- 7.3 When a consensus relative to the final nomination of athletes is achieved, the VP Sport Development and Events, shall no later than forty-eight (48) hours afterwards, notify by phone or e-mail those athletes that were nominated to Team Canada.
- 7.4 Athletes nominated to Team Canada must accept or decline their nomination within ten (10) days after their notice of nomination in writing to the VP Sport Development and Events.
- 7.5 Alternate athletes will not be named. If an athlete declines their nomination to Team Canada, VP Sport Development and Events, ACA, reserves the right to review the criteria and determine whether the athletes' position is fulfilled by another eligible athlete.

8.0 STAFFING

- 8.1 The VP Sport Development and Events, ACA, and/or the CAST Alpine High Performance Director reserve the right to designate the ACA nominated team leader, support staff, head coach, and coaches.
- 8.2 ACA nominated team leaders, coaches and staff must satisfy the expectations and requirements of the Canadian Olympic Committee's Team Leader Position Description.
- 8.3 Coach Eligibility Selection Requirements:
- I. Must be a performance level accredited coach member in good standing with ACA-CSC
 - II. Be in good standing with the Professional Coaching Program of the Coaching Association of Canada
 - III. Have a valid passport that does not expire on or before 1 August 2024.
 - IV. Sign, submit, and comply with the COC Support Team Agreement and Organising Committee (OCOG) Conditions of Participation form no later than 1 December 2023.
 - V. Comply with the current vaccination requirements of ACA, COC, and the host country of the event.
- 8.4 The appointed ACA Alpine Head Coach will have on-site decision-making authority at the 2024 Youth Olympic Games in consultation with the VP Domestic Sport and Events, ACA.

9.0 COVID CONSIDERATIONS

- 9.1 ACA is carefully following the evolution of the coronavirus on the global and domestic level and how it may impact the nomination of athletes to the 2024 Youth Olympic Games. Unless otherwise required by exceptional and unforeseen circumstances related to the impact of the coronavirus, ACA will respect the published Nomination Criteria as written. However, situations related to the coronavirus pandemic may arise that require Nomination Criteria to be modified. Any modification will be made promptly and as often as required following developments that directly impact the Nomination Criteria. In such circumstances, any modifications will be communicated to all affected individuals as soon



as possible. Further, situations may arise that do not allow the Nomination Criteria to be modified or applied as written due to time constraints or other exceptional and unforeseen circumstances. In such situations, any decision, including nomination decisions, will be made by the individual(s) with decision making authority, in this case, the VP Sport Development and Events, ACA, and/or Alpine High-Performance Director, ACA, in consultation with the relevant individual(s) or committee(s) (as applicable), and in accordance with the stated performance objectives as stated herein.

10.0 UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES & REVISIONS

- 10.1 In situations where unforeseen circumstances do not allow the selection process to be applied in the manner set out in this policy, the VP Sport Development and Events, ACA, or Alpine High-Performance Director, ACA, reserves the right to determine an appropriate course of action.
- 10.2 The VP Sport Development and Events, ACA, or Alpine High-Performance Director, ACA, may exercise discretion to revise this agreement prior to the end of the Qualifying Period with any revisions as may be reasonably necessary to avoid disputes over the interpretation of the Selection Process. This clause shall not be used to justify changes after a competition or trials which formed part of this Nomination Criteria unless it is related to an unforeseen circumstance. This is to allow for changes to this document that may become necessary due to a typographical error or a lack of clarity in a definition or wording. All revisions must be pre-approved by the Performance Committee.
- 10.3 The VP Sport Development and Events, ACA, or Alpine High-Performance Director, ACA, may, at any time, and at his/her/their discretion, disqualify an athlete from being considered for nomination to Team Canada based on current or past behavior of the athlete which is inconsistent with Alpine Canada's Code of Conduct. A copy of the Code of Conduct is available in the Athlete Agreement. ACA will advise the affected athlete, in writing, of his/her/their decision.
- 10.4 An athlete will be removed from consideration if he/she/they are in violation of any anti-doping policy or procedure as outlined by ACA, International Ski Federation (FIS), World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA), and the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport (CCES).
- 10.5 If an athlete nominated by ACA is not "fit to race" prior to competition, a replacement athlete may be provisionally nominated to Team Canada from other athletes meeting minimum performance criteria. This is at the sole discretion of the VP Sport Development and Events, ACA, and/or Alpine High-Performance Director, ACA.
- 10.6 After January 5, 2024, any such replacement is also subject to the IOC Late Athlete Replacement Policy.

11.0 APPEALS



- 11.1 Any dispute relating to the nomination procedure for the 2024 Youth Olympic Games must be brought to the Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada (SDRCC) to be heard pursuant to the Canadian Sport Dispute Resolution Code.
- 11.2 Any athlete who wished to appeal the team nomination shall, within 36 hours, commencing from the time of notification, file an appeal with the SDRCC. A decision must be reached no later than 48 hours from the time of filing an appeal with the SDRCC.

12.0 TIMELINE

ACA GANGWON 2024 YOG TIMELINE	
Criteria Publication	19 January 2023
Qualification Period	1 July 2022 to 17 December 2023
COC Long List Submission Due Date	17 April 2023
Alpine Nomination Meeting with Selection Committee via Teleconference	1 August 2023
Athlete Nomination Notification Deadline	3 August 2023
Athlete Nomination Acceptance Deadline	12 August 2023
COC Registration requirements Due Date	1 December 2023
COC Team Nomination Deadline	18 December 18 2023
Gangwon 2024 YOG Alpine Training & Competition Dates Alpine	19 January to 26 January 2024
*** ALL PASSPORTS MUST BE VALID AT LEAST UNTIL 1 AUGUST 2024***	

13.0 CONTACT

For questions or clarifications on the nomination process, please contact Jeff Thompson, VP Sport Development and Events, ACA, jthompson@alpinecanada.org.