2018 WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS - TEAM NOMINATION GUIDELINES

1.0 OBJECTIVES

1.1 The Canadian objectives at the 2018 World Junior Championships are:

(a) To achieve podium success for Canada; and,

(b) To provide experience and international exposure to Canadian athletes identified as potential future medalists at the elite level.

2.0 NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

2.1 Each National Ski Association may designate in total no more than 16 competitors and no more than 10 of the same sex. A maximum of four women and four men may start per discipline. In Downhill a maximum number of 8 athletes (including ZK quota) per sex may take part in the official training.

2.2 For the Combined (the “ZK” event consisting of DH, GS and SL), an additional quota will be provided for qualified competitors based on the following:

(a) The ZK quota enables those athletes to compete in four disciplines: DH, SG, SL and GS;

(b) Two ZK competitors may be entered in addition to the four competitors per nation;

(c) Qualification is based on achieving the following ranking for the FIS points list currently in force for two of the disciplines counting for the combined (DH, GS, SL):

(i) for men, a ranking in the top 500; and,

(ii) for women, in the top 400;

(d) ZK competitors will be nominated prior to the first competition draw;

(e) If a ZK competitor does not finish in one of the disciplines, the athlete is allowed to participate in the remaining competitions without affecting the national quota; and,

(f) Teams are not allowed to make any changes among ZK competitors after the first race.

3.0 SELECTION CRITERIA

3.1 Selection will be based on the valid FIS points list at the time of the final selection and the results of competitions held between Nov 17, 2017 and Jan 15, 2018.

3.2 Domestic Director will meet with Provincial ADs on Dec 15th 2017 in Panorama to address potential candidates for WJSC. The meeting for final selection is set for January 17th, 2018 via teleconference.
3.3 Male and female athletes born 1997 to 2001 ("junior age athletes") are eligible.

3.4 For greater certainty, junior age athletes scoring WC and EC points in their respective disciplines during the selection process will be considered for selection.

3.5 The minimum criteria for an athlete to be considered for selection is as follows:

   I) Only athletes ranked as follows will be considered for selection:

   II) Only athletes ranked as follows will be considered for selection:

   o Average Ranking in the top 45 of two events. (One has to be technical) of the World Junior ranking (WJR) list produced from the 13th FIS

   o Ranking in top 15 in speed disciplines (DH, SG, AC) or top 30 tech disciplines (SL, GS) of the World Junior ranking (WJR) list produced from the 9th FIS list

   o Ranking in the top 15 of the athlete’s age group and younger on the WJR list in tech disciplines (SL, GS)

   o Ranking in the top 5 of the athlete’s age group and younger on the WJR list speed disciplines (DH, SG, AC)

3.6 If an athlete meets the criteria outlined above, final selection will be based on the following factors:

   a) A comparison of point results in designated competitions, if more racers meet the above mentioned criteria than there are quota or ZK places on the team.

   b) Head to head races will be taken into consideration.

   c) Coaches discretion will be considered for final selection, based on various considerations, including without limitation, an evaluation of technical skiing abilities, previous motivation and performance, attitude and commitment, outstanding results, event quality where top results were achieved, achieved results at appropriate level of competition, general level of physical fitness, injury history and athletic potential, with due consideration given to the number of quota spaces available in each event and the ZK quota.

4.0 SELECTION COMMITTEE

4.1 The Selection Committee shall make the final selection to the World Junior Championship team and shall be comprised of the following members:
a) Provincial Head Coaches or Technical Directors, for athletes meeting the minimum selection criteria;

b) World Junior Head Coaches; assigned by ACA; and,

c) Domestic Director or Alpine Director, or both.

4.2 The Selection Committee shall give due consideration to the Number of Participants (section 2.0) and Objectives (section 1.0). In the event of a dispute relating to the allocation of quota or ZK spaces, the Alpine Director shall exercise discretion and this determination shall be final and binding on all athletes.

4.3 Only athletes meeting at least the minimum criteria will be considered. Any consideration of an athlete that qualifies but is excluded from final selection must be supported by written appeal to the Domestic Director, before the final selection meeting.

4.4 The CAST Medical Committee must clear any injured athletes before the athlete may be named to the team. An athlete injured after the selection date will not be named and a suitable replacement will be named by the Domestic Director, in consultation with the Selection Committee.

5.0 PLANNING AND LOGISTICS

5.1 World Junior Team Head Coaches and Director Domestic are responsible to organize the program for the athletes leading up to the World Junior Championship in Davos, Switzerland.

5.2 The program will be coordinated by the Director Domestic Sport and Head coaches with athletes on the WJC Team.

5.3 The logistics for all travel, accommodation will be handled by ACA and the Director Domestic, and approved by the Selection Committee.

5.4 WJC coaching staff will be named after final selection.

6.0 APPEALS

6.1 Any dispute relating to the nomination procedures for the 2018 World Junior Championships must be brought directly to the SDRCC on the consent of all parties and in the discretion of the SDRCC.