



# 2019 FIS ALPINE WORLD SKI CHAMPIONSHIPS NOMINATION CRITERIA

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. This document outlines the criteria and process of Alpine Canada Alpin (“ACA”) to nominate athletes as members of the 2019 FIS Alpine World Ski Championships Team (the “Team”) in Are, Sweden.
- 1.2. The nomination guidelines shall be interpreted and applied in accordance with the principles of procedural fairness and natural justice.

## 2. OBJECTIVES

- 2.1. The Canadian objectives at the 2019 FIS Alpine World Ski Championships in Are, Sweden are:
  - I. To achieve podium success for Canada; and,
  - II. To provide experience and international exposure to Canadian athletes identified as potential future medalists at the elite level.

## 3. DEFINITIONS

- 3.1. “ACA” means Alpine Canada Alpin;
- 3.2. “Athlete” means a Federation Internationale De Ski/ International Ski Federation (“FIS”) carded Athlete that is a Canadian resident or citizen as defined in the *Citizenship and Immigration Act* (Canada);
- 3.3. “CAST” means the Canadian Alpine Ski Team;
- 3.4. “CAST Alpine Staff” means any one of the following: Alpine, Athletic Director, the discipline Head Coaches or any other coach that is designated as a CAST coach, from time to time, by ACA;
- 3.5. “CAST Medical Staff” means any one of the following CAST IST members: Sport Science, Director, Chief Medical Officer, strength and conditioning coach, physiotherapist and chiropractor; and,
- 3.6. “Fit to Race” means an assessment by the CAST Alpine Staff, in consultation with the CAST Medical Staff, of a number of factors including, physical fitness, level of health, competitive readiness and consistency of training and performance prior to the Games.



#### 4. QUOTA

- 4.1. The maximum number of competitors is 24, with CAST sending a maximum of 14 athletes per gender.
- 4.2. The maximum number of 6 athletes may compete in the Team Event, with at least 2 competitors from one gender.
- 4.3. Defending Champion Erik Guay will have a confirmed start right in that discipline.
- 4.4. ACA reserves the right in its sole and absolute discretion to limit athletic roster size for the Team due to availability of financial resources regardless of nomination criteria achieved.

#### 5. ELIGIBILITY

- 5.1. In order to be eligible for nomination to the Team, an athlete must:
  - I. Meet all FIS citizen requirements to represent Canada;
  - I. meet FIS medical requirements in accordance with [Article 221: Medical Services, Examinations and Doping of the International Ski Committee Rules \(ICR\)](#);
  - II. be “fit to race” prior to January 27, 2019. This deadline does not apply to athletes to whom it is communicated in writing by the Alpine, Athletic Director that injury status applies;
  - III. meet the minimum nomination criteria under Section 6.0 during the qualifying period of October 27, 2018 until January 27, 2019;
  - IV. must be a member in good standing of CAST or ACA; and,
  - V. must not be under suspension or other sanction for any doping or doping-related offense.

#### 6. CRITERIA

Athletes shall be considered for nomination on the following basis:

##### 6.1 Objective Criteria

- 6.1.1 For Category “A”, an Athlete will be considered for nomination if the following performance criteria is achieved:

Category A	
(i)	1x Top 7 World Cup result in the 2018-19 season (including AC), or
(ii)	2x Top 15 World Cup results in the 2018-19 season (2x Top 10 for AC)



6.1.2 For Category “B”, an Athlete will be considered for nomination if the following performance criteria is achieved:

Category B
(i) 2x Top 30 World Cup results in the 2018-19 season (Top 15 in AC)

6.1.3 For the purpose of creating a rank list, athletes will be ranked in priority as follows:

1. Category A (i)
2. Category A (ii)
3. Category B (i)

## 6.2 Coaches Discretion

6.2.1 Should one or more unused quota spots still be available after all athletes are ranked per 6.1.3, only then can the CAST Alpine Staff at their sole discretion nominate athletes under coaches discretion.

6.2.2 CAST Alpine Staff will first review athletes under coaches discretion who have achieved outstanding results in the following order of competition. 1, World Cup, followed by 2, Europa Cup then 3, Nor-Am results. Athletes who have achieved results in these competitions will also undergo further discretionary evaluation of any factors deemed relevant to meet the objectives of this policy.

6.2.3 CAST Alpine Staff may then further nominate athletes based on the discretionary evaluation of any factors deemed relevant to meet the Objectives of this Policy. These factors may include, an evaluation of technical skiing abilities, previous motivation and performance, attitude and commitment, outstanding results (Continental Cup level racing), general level of physical fitness, injury history and athletic potential. The CAST Alpine Staff shall be free to weigh these and any other relevant factors to meet the Objectives of this Policy.

6.2.4 All discretionary nominations will be documented and will be available for record keeping purposes.

6.2.5 Event specific final racing roster will be named at the sole discretion of the CAST Alpine Staff within 24 hours of the planned event time.

6.3 Team Event roster will be named at the sole discretion of the CAST Alpine Staff.



## **7 NOMINATION PROCESS**

- 7.1 The CAST Alpine Staff shall conduct the nomination rank list meeting, on January 27, 2019, by teleconference or in person in Kitzbuhel or Garmisch, forthwith after the last World Cup competition on January 27, 2019.
- 7.2 Nominations will be forwarded to the ACA President & CEO and ACA Board Athlete Representative for final ratification.
- 7.3 The Alpine, Athletic Director within twenty-four (24 hours) of final ratification, will notify by phone or e-mail those athletes that were eligible for nomination, whether or not those athletes were selected.

## **8 UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES & REVISIONS**

- 8.1 In situations where unforeseen circumstances do not allow the selection process to be applied in the manner set out in this policy, the Alpine, Athletic Director reserves the right to determine an appropriate course of action.
- 8.2 The Alpine, Athletic Director may exercise discretion to revise this policy 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 these Team 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.
- 8.3 The Alpine, Athletic Director may, at any time, and at his/her/their discretion, disqualify an athlete from being considered for nomination to the Team 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 ACA Athlete Agreement. ACA will advise the affected athlete, in writing, of his/her/their decision.
- 8.4 An athlete will be removed from consideration if he/she is 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).

## **9 APPEALS**

- 9.1 Any dispute in relation to the nomination procedures for the 2019 World Championships must be brought directly to the SDRCC to be heard pursuant to the Canadian Sport Dispute Resolution Code.
- 9.2 An Athlete who wishes to appeal the team nominations shall, within 36 hours, commencing from the time of notification, file an appeal with the SDRCC. A decision must be reached no later than 7am MST on January 30, 2019.

N.B. In the event of a discrepancy between the English and French version of the 2019-2020 Nomination Guidelines, ACA will refer to the English version.