2020 FIS ALPINE WORLD JUNIOR SKI CHAMPIONSHIPS NOMINATION CRITERIA

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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 2020 FIS Alpine World Junior Ski Championships team (the "Team")
- 1.2 The Nomination Guidelines shall be interpreted and applied in accordance with the principles of procedural fairness and natural justice.

2.0 OBJECTIVES

- 2.1 The Canadian objectives at the 2020 FIS Alpine World Junior Ski Championships are:
 - 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.

3.0 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 "PTSO Athletic Director" means Provincial/Territorial Sport Organization Athletic Directors identified by the Director, Domestic Sport
- 3.4 "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;
- 3.5 "ZK Quota" means additional start places for qualified competitors
- 3.6 "CAST" means the Canadian Alpine Ski Team
- 3.7 "CADT" means the Canadian Alpine Development Team
- 3.8 "WJR" means World Junior Rank
- 3.9 "CAST Alpine Staff" means any one of the following: Athletic Director, Alpine, the discipline Head Coaches or any other coach that is designated as a CAST coach, from time to time, by ACA

- 3.10 "WJSC Selection Committee" means a committee constituted by ACA that may include the following representatives:
 - PTSO Athletic Director(s);
 - WJSC Head Coach(s), assigned by ACA;
 - Director, Domestic Sport;
 - Athletic Director, Alpine;
 - Any other appointed person by ACA deemed necessary
- 3.11 "Performance Committee" means ACA Board Appointed and provides strategic direction and review of ACA's mandates, the scope and quality of ACA programs, athlete experience, and selection criteria.

4.0 QUOTA

- 4.1 Each National Ski Association may designate in total, no more than 16 competitors and no more than 10 of the same gender. A maximum of four (4) women and four (4) 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.
- 4.2 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.
- 4.3 ACA reserves the right in its sole and absolute disrection to limit athletic roster size for the Team due to availability of financial resources regardless of nomination criteria achieved
- 4.4 Event specific final racing roster will be named at the sole discretion of the CAST Alpine Staff and/or Director, Domestic Sport within 24hrs of the planned event time.
- 4.5 Team Event roster will be named at the sole discretion of the CAST Alpine Staff and/or Director, Domestic Sport.

5.0 ELIGIBILITY

5.1 In order to be eligible for nomination to the Team, an Athlete must:

- I. meet FIS medical requirements in accordance with <u>Article 221: Medical Services, Examinations</u> and Doping of the International Ski Committee Rules (ICR);
- II. be "fit to race" prior to February 14, 2020. This deadline does not apply to athletes to whom it is communicated in writing by the Athletic Director, Alpine, that Injury Status applies;
- III. meet the minimum qualification criteria under Section 6.0 during the qualifying period of November 19, 2019 to February 13th, 2020.
- IV. must be a member in good standing of ACA and the athletes PTSO:
- V. must not be under suspension or other sanction for any doping or doping-related offense;
- VI. be born between 1999 and 2003 ("junior age athletes") for both male and female.

6.0 CRITERIA

- 6.1 The minimum criteria for an athlete to be considered for nomination is as follows:
 - A. Ranking in the top 15 in a speed discipline (DH, SG, AC) or top 30 in a tech discipline (SL, GS) of the World Junior Ranking list produced from the 14th FIS Points List; OR
 - B. Average ranking in the top 45 in two disciplines (one (1) technical discipline) of the World Junior Ranking list produced from the 14th FIS Points List; OR
 - C. Performance in NorAm series as calculated using a head to head Q-List Rankings list. The Q-list rankings will be based on the following calculations:
 - a. In each Qualifying race (NorAm), the results shall be calculated based on the FIS Penalty Ranking System, as defined in the FIS Rules and race point formulas.;
 - b. The ranking in each discipline shall be based on the best two results. In the event an Athlete has only one result in a discipline, a 10 point addition penalty shall be applied against the single result.
- 6.2 For the purpose of creating a rank list, athletes will be ranked in priority as follows
 - 1. A.
 - 2. B.
 - 3. C will be utilized to fill up discipline specific quota spots

6.3 Coaches Discretion

- 6.3.1 PTSO coaches can nominate an athlete for coaches discretion due to injury or any unforeseen circumstance.
- 6.3.2 All discretionary nominations will be documented and will be available for record keeping purposes.

7.0 NOMINATION/SELECTION PROCESS

7.1 The WJSC Selection Committee shall conduct the nomination rank list meeting on February 19th, 2020 by teleconference. The sole mandate of the WJSC Selection Committee is to nominate athletes most capable of achieving success based on the defined criteria.

- 7.3 Nominations will be forwarded to the ACA President & CEO and ACA Board Athlete Representative for final ratification.
- 7.4 In the event of a dispute relating to the allocation of quota or ZK spaces, the Athletic Director, Alpine and/or Director, Domestic Sport shall exercise discretion and this determination shall be final and binding on all athletes.
- 7.5 The Athletic Director, Alpine and/or the Director, Domestic Sport within twenty-four (24 hours) of final ratification, will notify by phone or email, those athletes who were nominated to the WJSC team.

8.0 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 Athletic Director, Alpine and/or Director, Domestic Sport reserves the right to determine an appropriate course of action.
- 8.2 The Athletic Director, Alpine and/or Director, Domestic Sport, 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.
- 8.3 The Athletic Director, Alpine and/or Director, Domestic Sport 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 Athlete Agreement. ACA will advise the affected athlete, in writing, of his/her/their decision.
- 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).
- 8.5 If an athlete nominated by ACA is not "fit to race" prior to competition, a replacement athlete may be provisionally nominated to the Team from other athletes meeting minimum performance criteria. This is at the sole discretion of the Athletic Director, Alpine and/or Director, Domestic Sport.

9.0 APPEALS

- 9.1 Any dispute relating to the nomination procedures for the 2020 FIS Alpine World Junior Ski Championships must be brought directly to the SDRCC to be heard pursuant to the Canadian Sport Dispute Resolution Code.
- 9.2 Any 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