



2020 YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES
TEAM CANADA NOMINATION GUIDELINES

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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 2020 Youth Olympic Games team (the “Team”) in Lausanne, Switzerland, January 10-22, 2020.
- 1.2. The Nomination Guidelines shall be interpreted and applied in accordance with the principles of procedural fairness and natural justice.
- 1.3. The Director, Domestic Sport, is responsible for developing and approving the nomination process and procedures for the Team, that will be nominated to the 2020 Youth Olympic Games.

2. OBJECTIVES

- 2.1. The Canadian objectives at the 2020 Youth Olympic Games in Lausanne, Switzerland are:
 - I. Achieve podium success for Canada; and,
 - II. 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) 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 Organisation



- 3.7. "CAST Alpine Staff" means any one of the following: Alpine Athletic Director, Domestic Sport Director, 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, 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 FIS Youth Olympic qualification system for alpine skiing provides the following quota for alpine, subject to revision by FIS on December 9, 2019 The FIS qualification system can be found at <https://res.cloudinary.com/fis-production/image/upload/v1539779284/fis-prod/assets/document-library/youth-olympics/AL.pdf> and 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, 2002 and maximum of one (1) athlete per gender with a YOB, 2003 will be eligible for nomination.
- 4.2. The CAST Alpine Staff has sole discretion as to the exact final composition of the Team.

5. ELIGIBILITY

- 5.1. In order to be eligible for nomination to the Team, an Athlete must:
- I. Comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force
 - II. Meet all applicable citizen requirements of FIS rules specific to the 2020 YOG, and Rule 41 of the Olympic Charter;
 - III. Meet FIS medical requirements in accordance with https://res.cloudinary.com/fis-production/image/upload/v1542266980/fis-prod/ICR_2018_15112018.pdf
 - IV. Not be under suspension or other sanction for any doping or doping-related offense;
 - V. Be "fit to race" prior to December 9, 2019. This deadline does not apply to athletes to whom it is communicated in writing by the Director, Domestic Sport, that Injury Status applies;
 - VI. Meet the criteria under section 6.0 during the qualifying period of July 1, 2018 to June 30th, 2019;



- VII. Meet all age requirements of FIS: all participating athletes in YOG must be born between January 1, 2002 and December 31, 2003;
- VIII. 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 2018 to 8 December 2019

- IX. Be a member in good standing with the athletes registered Province and Alpine Canada Alpin
- X. Hold a valid FIS license and athlete insurance for athletes YOB, 2002 and athletes YOB, 2003 must be in possession of a ACA National Competitor Card; and,
- XI. Sign and submit the COC athlete agreement and Lausanne Conditions of Participation form no later than July 1, 2019.

6. 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 2002 fulfilling available quota positions first.

6.1. Criteria for 2002 athletes is as follows:

- Top two (2) male and female FIS registered athletes will be selected based on the published 2020 FIS baselist, available July 2019. The sum of the two lowest FIS points will be used for nomination. A minimum one (1) result must be in a tech discipline.

6.2. Criteria for 2003 athletes is as follows:

- The top male and female athlete will be selected based on their results from the 2019 Canada Winter Games. The sum of the two highest point accumulations awarded on two disciplines, using the World Cup points process, will be used for nomination to the 2020 YOG.

7. NOMINATION/SELECTION PROCESS

- 7.1. The Director, Domestic Sport, shall conduct the Team Nomination Meeting, on **August 1st, 2019**, 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:
 - Director, Domestic Sport
 - Alpine, Athletic Director
 - PTSO Athletic Directors of those athletes nominated
- 7.3. When a consensus relative to the final nomination of athletes is achieved, the Director, Domestic Sport, shall no later than twenty-four (24) hours afterwards, notify by phone or e-mail those athletes that were nominated for Team Canada.
- 7.4. Athletes nominated to Team Canada must accept or decline their nomination within 10 days after their notice of nomination in writing to the Director, Domestic Sport.
- 7.5. If an athlete declines their nomination to Team Canada, the Director, Domestic Sport, reserves the right to review the criteria and determine whether the athletes position is fulfilled by another eligible athlete.

8. UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES & REVISIONS

- 8.1. In situations where unforeseen circumstances do not allow the nomination guidelines to be applied in the manner set out in this policy, the Director, Domestic Sport, reserves the right to determine an appropriate course of action.
- 8.2. The Director, Domestic Sport, may exercise discretion to revise this criteria prior to the end of the qualifying period with any revisions as may be reasonably necessary to avoid disputes over the interpretation of the nomination 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 Domestic 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 ACA'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).
- 8.5. If any athlete selected by ACA is not "fit to race" prior to competition, a replacement athlete may be provisionally nominated to the Team, based upon using the same rank system identified in criteria (6.0). It is in the sole discretion of the Director, Domestic Sport to nominate a replacement athlete. Provisional nomination would occur by December 11, 2019. Any athlete replacement after this date is subject to the approval of the COC Team Selection Committee.



After December 16, 2019, any such replacement is also subject to the IOC Late Athlete Replacement Policy.

9. APPEALS

- 9.1. Any dispute relating to the nomination procedures for the 2020 YOG must be brought directly to the SDRCC on the consent of all parties and in the discretion of the SDRCC.
- 9.2. Any appeal must be made prior to and resolved before December 11th, 2019.
- 9.3. The applicable law to the Youth Olympic selection nomination is the law of Alberta and applicable federal law.