

# 2021 FIS ALPINE WORLD JUNIOR SKI CHAMPIONSHIPS NOMINATION CRITERIA Bankso, Bulgaria March 1 – 11, 2021

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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 2021 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 2021 FIS Alpine World Junior Ski Championships are:
  - I. To achieve Top 10 results and Podium success for Canada: and,
  - II. To provide experience and international exposure to Canadian athletes identified as highperformance development level athletes and those that have future potential as 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 High Performance Director, Alpine.
- 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: High Performance 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;
  - High Performance 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, a maximum 6 athletes, three (3) women and three (3) men. Per FIS direction, ZK Quotas are not available to be ultilized by any nation during the Bansko 2021 WJCs.

#### 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 Article 221: Medical Services, Examinations
  - II. and Doping of the International Ski Committee Rules (ICR);
- III. Be "fit to race" prior to February 14, 2020. This deadline does not apply to athletes to whom it
- IV. is communicated in writing by the Athletic Director, Alpine, that Injury Status applies;
- V. Must be a member in good standing of ACA and the athletes PTSO;
- VI. Must not be under suspension or other sanction for any doping or doping-related offense;
- VII. Be born between 2000 and 2004 ("junior age athletes") for both male and female.
- VIII. Men must have a top 500 world rank in at least two events (GS, SL, SG) and women must have a top 400 world rank in at least two event (GS, SL, SG).

#### 6.0 CRITERIA

- 6.1 The lowest World FIS ranked Male & Female in SL
- 6.2 The lowest World FIS ranked Male & Female in GS
- 6.3 The lowest combined SL & GS World FIS ranked Male & Female
- 6.4 Ties will be broken using the lowest combined SL & GS rank until 3 Male & 3 Female athletes are selected.
- 6.4 The 3 Male and 3 Female athletes selected have starting rights for all three disciplines to be contested: SG, GS and SL

#### 7.0 NOMINATION/SELECTION PROCESS

- 7.1 The WJSC Selection Committee shall conduct the nomination rank list meeting on February 8th, 2021 by teleconference using the 15<sup>th</sup> FIS points list. 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, the High Performance Director, Alpine shall exercise discretion and this determination shall be final and binding on all athletes.
- 7.5 The High Performance Director, Alpine 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 High Performance Director, Alpine reserves the right to determine an appropriate course of action.
- 8.2 The High Performance Director, Alpine, 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 NominationCriteria, 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 High Performance Director, Alpine 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.
- 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 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 High Performance Director, Alpine.

## 9.0 APPEALS

- 9.1 Any dispute relating to the nomination procedures for the 2021 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 48 hours from the time of filing an appeal with the SDRCC.