



**YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES:
SNOWBOARD 2024 SELECTION PROTOCOL: ALL DISCIPLINES**

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Canada Snowboard recognizes that, as of the approval date of this Selection Protocol, the coronavirus remains a global pandemic. Situations related to the coronavirus may arise that require this Selection Protocol to be modified. Any required modifications will be made promptly and will come into effect as of the date of publication and will be communicated as soon as possible.

Further, unforeseen circumstances may arise that do not allow this Selection Protocol to be applied as written. In such circumstances, decisions will be made and communicated in accordance with Sections 33-34 of this Selection Protocol.

INTRODUCTION

1. Canada Snowboard, through its membership in the Canadian Snowsports Association, is granted by the FIS the right to enter eligible athletes in FIS sanctioned Snowboard events, including the Youth Olympic Games (YOG). Athletes who are not eligible, as established by the FIS and its member national associations, including Canada Snowboard, may not participate in FIS sanctioned events.
2. The Gangwon 2024 Youth Olympic Games (YOG) will be hosted **January 19th – February 1st, 2024 in Gangwon, South Korea**, for the following disciplines:
 - Halfpipe (HP); and
 - Slopestyle (SS); and
 - Big Air (BA); and
 - Snowboard cross (SBX) and Mixed Teams Snowboard cross (BTX).
3. This document sets out the process for:
 - a. Identifying those athletes who are eligible for nomination to the YOG; and
 - b. From this group, determining those athletes who shall be nominated by Canada Snowboard to the Canadian Olympic Committee (COC) as team members to participate in the YOG in a given discipline.
4. For information on the selection process for events not covered by this document (National Team, World Cups, Jr & Sr World Championships, & Olympics), please refer to the relevant Selection Protocol section on the Canada Snowboard “Document Centre”: <http://www.canadasnowboard.ca/en/docs>
5. Canada Snowboard has the authority to nominate athletes in the events listed in Section 2 above to the COC for possible selection for the YOG. Nominations made by Canada Snowboard will be based



upon the criteria, policies and procedures set out in this Selection Protocol and on any other Canada Snowboard policies and procedures referenced herein.

The Canada Snowboard Nomination Committee will evaluate all eligible athletes based on the criteria listed in this Selection Protocol and will nominate a prioritized list of athletes to the COC. All of Canada Snowboard's nominations are subject to meeting the requirements of the COC and to COC Team Selection Committee Approval.

The Canada Snowboard Nomination Committee will consist of the Sport & High Performance Director (HPD), the High Performance Managers (HPMs), the High Performance Coordinator (HPC) in consultation with the National Team Coach(es) for each discipline as the technical experts. The prioritized list is submitted to Canada Snowboard's Executive Director for approval based on the recommendations of the Canada Snowboard Nomination Committee.

6. Except as otherwise specified herein, the Nomination Committee's recommendations to the Executive Director, for the purpose of selection, will consider the athlete's FIS or WSPL rankings and performances as of the Selection Deadline, specified in Section 7 below. The YOG Qualification Period shall be defined as July 1, 2022 – **December 11, 2023**.
7. The Selection Deadline for all disciplines is **December 11, 2023**. Nominations made by Canada Snowboard, including any alternates, as applicable, will be confirmed to the COC on or before the COC Nomination Deadline.

Should a reallocation of quotas increase the number of starts available for Canada, eligible alternates will be offered available positions, as applicable.

8. Any exceptions to the procedures set out in this Selection Protocol must be based on the general policies of the Canada Snowboard High Performance Program (HPP). The HPP General Policies can be found in the Document Center on the Canada Snowboard website at:
<https://www.canadasnowboard.ca/files/HPP-GeneralPolicies.pdf>

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TERMS

10. The following abbreviated terms are used in this Selection Protocol:

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| a) | BA: | Big Air |
| b) | CRL: | Canadian Ranking List |
| c) | FIS: | Fédération Internationale de Ski |
| d) | HP: | Halfpipe |
| e) | HPP: | High Performance Program |
| f) | JWC: | Junior World Championships |



- g) **NOC:** National Olympic Committee
- h) **YOG:** Youth Olympic Games
- i) **SS:** Slopestyle
- j) **SBX:** Snowboardcross
- k) **BTX:** Snowboardcross Mixed Gender Team Event

PURPOSE

11. The purpose of this document is to set out the procedures that Canada Snowboard will apply to determine if an athlete is eligible for the YOG and the subsequent ranking process of all eligible athletes to determine who Canada Snowboard will nominate to the COC to participate in YOG in a given discipline.

OBJECTIVES

12. Canada Snowboard's primary objective at the YOG is to provide a high-level international competitive experience to top performing youth female and male athletes within the YOG Program: Halfpipe (HP), Slopestyle (SS), Big Air (BA), and Snowboard cross (SBX).

For selection purposes, top performing youth athletes should be taken to mean athletes who have demonstrated an ability or potential ability, through their performances, of achieving podium results in relevant North American and international competitions.

This is the guiding principle Canada Snowboard took into consideration when developing this Selection Protocol and will be the principle used by Canada Snowboard when nominating athletes to the COC for selection to the YOG.

ELIGIBILITY

13. To be eligible for selection to participate in the YOG, an athlete must:
 - a) Be a member in good standing of Canada Snowboard and their Provincial/Territorial Snowboard Association, as that term is understood in Section 1.1(f) of the Canada Snowboard Bylaws, *applied mutatis mutandis*; and
 - a) Have a valid and active FIS license, Canada Snowboard membership, Advanced Competitor's Provincial/Territorial Snowboard Association membership and have purchased the appropriate class of CSA/NSO Sport Accident Insurance (SAIP; Level 1 is mandatory for National Team members or those participating in more than one international World Cup competition and a minimum of Level 2 is required for out of country coverage); and
 - b) Sign, submit, and comply with the COC Athlete Agreement and Organizing Committee (OCOG) Conditions of Participation no later than December 8, 2023. Where the athlete is under the age of 19 years, the parent or guardian must also sign these agreements; and
 - c) Have a valid Canadian Passport, which must be valid for at least six (6) months beyond the date of travel (August 1, 2024); and
 - d) Follow all vaccine requirements as communicated by South Korea, the COC, IOC, and Canada Snowboard as required to participate in the event; and
 - e) Upon selection, read and sign the Canada Snowboard Code of Conduct and Ethics, which outlines the expectations an athlete representing Canada must follow;
 - f) If requested by Canada Snowboard or the COC, sign a UCCMS Participant consent form; and
 - g) Comply with all relevant FIS, IOC, and/or COC requirements for eligibility.



- h) **For Snowboardcross (SBX) events:**
- i) Participation is restricted to those competitors who were born no earlier than January 1st, 2006, and no later than December 31st, 2008.
 - ii) Have YOG FIS Points in his or her discipline on the most recently published YOG FIS Points List as of the Selection Deadline. (YOG FIS points are earned in accordance with the FIS Rules for FIS Points during the YOG Qualification Period from **1 July 2022 to 11 December 2023**.)
- i) **For Freestyle (SS, BA, and HP) events:**
- i) Participation is restricted to those competitors who were born no earlier than January 1st, 2006, and no later than December 31st, 2009.
 - ii) Have YOG FIS Points in his or her discipline on the most recently published YOG FIS Points List as of the Selection Deadline. (YOG FIS points are earned in accordance with the FIS Rules for FIS Points during the YOG Qualification Period from **1 July 2022 to 6 December 2023**.)

QUOTAS

14. Quotas are allocated by the FIS based on the Qualification System (QS) detailed in 'Appendix A'. This Selection Protocol is based on the FIS Qualification System (QS) rules and regulations as presently known and understood by Canada Snowboard.

In the event of a discrepancy between this document and the FIS Qualification System (QS), the FIS Qualification System (QS) shall prevail.

15. Each National Association (e.g., Canada Snowboard) recognized by the FIS may enter up to a maximum of 12 athletes in the Youth Olympic Games, with the following restrictions:
- a) The number of Quotas allocated to Canada Snowboard through the FIS Qualification System (QS).
 - b) A maximum of two (2) nominated athletes per event per gender (e.g., Women's Snowboardcross).
 - i) Once nominated, athletes may compete in multiple disciplines (e.g., Men's Slopestyle and Halfpipe) up to a maximum of three (3) per event per gender as described in '**Appendix A**', **point D.5 Additional Participation**. Additional participation is restricted to athletes who have already been nominated to participate in the YOG and is subject to the athlete respecting the eligibility requirements for the given discipline.

The number of competitive opportunities available to Canada Snowboard is established by the FIS Qualification System (QS) and is described as the 'Canadian Quota' for those competition(s). Although FIS establishes the quota, Canada Snowboard reserves the right to offer fewer competitive opportunities (Quota), that is, to nominate fewer athletes than the number designated as the 'Canadian Quota' for a particular event.

The grounds for any such decision must be discussed in detail by the Nomination Committee, clearly documented, and communicated to the impacted parties.

Examples of situations where the Nomination Committee would offer fewer competitive opportunities (Quota) than established by FIS for an event may include, but are not limited to:

- There are no athletes, or no further athletes, who meet the eligibility requirements and who have the requisite performance(s) within the designated competition period to satisfy the selection



process for nomination; and/or

- There are no athletes, or no further athletes, whose performances demonstrate that they have the potential to achieve the performance objective indicated in Section 12, above; and/or
- There are no athletes, or no further athletes, who are able to successfully and safely complete a YOG level course, as assessed by the Nomination Committee, in their sole discretion.

16. The FIS Qualification System (QS), referenced as 'Appendix A' from time to time in this document, can be referenced here: <https://www.fis-ski.com/en/inside-fis/document-library/winter-youth-olympic-games#d0280cad70a89349d63820bb>

SELECTION PROCESS – GENERAL

17. Except as otherwise specified herein, nominations to the COC will be based on results obtained during the YOG Qualification Period, as outlined in Section 6 above. Nominations for the YOG will be communicated by Canada Snowboard to the athletes and alternates, as applicable, that it proposes to nominate following the Selection Deadline (**December 11th, 2023**) but prior to the COC Nomination Deadline (December 18th, 2023). Selections will be announced publicly on the COC Nomination Deadline.

18. Athletes shall be ranked and selected separately, by gender.

- Athletes may be selected to compete in more than one event; however, SS and BA are considered as one discipline, although selection will be based on SS results only.
- Athletes who are eligible and selected to participate in the individual SBX event (at the same venue) are also eligible for potential selection to participate in the BTX event.
 - The number of BTX teams Canada may field at the YOG will be determined according to FIS Rules, and BTX team selections will be on-site during the YOG competition period in accordance with Sections 23, below.

19. Up to four (4) athletes may be nominated for each discipline (e.g., Women's SBX) to account for an alternate entry or entries and the potential reallocation of quota. Alternate athletes will not travel to the event or receive any of the related benefits of selected team members, unless a quota spot is made available for them.

SELECTION PROCESS – ALL DISCIPLINES

Except as otherwise stated herein, the order in which eligible athletes are selected to participate in the YOG will be based on the criteria below. The Nomination Committee is restricted by the quotas allocated by the FIS as outlined in Section 14-16, above. Nominations will be made in the order set out under the given priority, unless there are no athletes, or until there are no further athletes, who have the requisite performance(s) within the YOG Qualification Period at that priority level. However, notwithstanding the aforementioned, in accordance with Section 15 above, the Nomination Committee is not required to fill all Canadian Quotas.

Once the quota has been met in a discipline or gender, remaining eligible athletes will no longer be considered for nomination regardless of their performance(s) or ranking.

SELECTION PROCESS – HALFPIPE

20. Priority:



- a) Athletes in the eligible age range for HP, and who also meet all other conditions for eligibility, shall be ranked, by gender, according to the most recently published World Snowboarding Points List (WSPL) Halfpipe List as of the Selection Deadline available on the World Snowboard Tour website at: <http://www.worldsnowboardtour.com/points-lists/>
- b) In the event of a tie, the athlete with the highest points at a single event shall be selected. In the event of a further tie, the athlete with the next highest points at a single event shall be selected, until the tie is broken.

SELECTION PROCESS – SLOPESTYLE / BIG AIR

21. Priority:

- a) Athletes in the eligible age range for SS/BA, and who also meet all other conditions for eligibility, shall be ranked, by gender, according to the most recently published World Snowboarding Points List (WSPL) Slopestyle List as of the Selection Deadline available on the World Snowboard Tour website at: <http://www.worldsnowboardtour.com/points-lists/>
- b) In the event of a tie, the athlete with the highest points at a single event shall be selected. In the event of a further tie, the athlete with the next highest points at a single event shall be selected, until the tie is broken.

SELECTION PROCESS – SNOWBOARDCROSS

22. Priority:

- a) Athletes in the eligible age range for SBX, and who also meet all other conditions for eligibility, shall be ranked, by gender, according to the FIS points awarded at their best two (2) individual results during the YOG Qualification Period, at Level 3 FIS competitions (or higher).
 - i) Level 3 FIS competitions, or higher, consist of: World Cups, Continental Cups (Europa Cups or NorAms), Junior World Championships, National Championships & Jr. FIS Events (Jr. National Championships etc.)
 - ii) Athletes must have at least two (2) competition results that meet the above requirements in order to be considered.
 - iii) Only eligible results achieved from an individual competition(s) during the YOG Qualification Period will be considered in the Snowboardcross Selection Process, detailed above. Team Event results will not be considered in the allocation of competitive opportunities for YOG competitions or disciplines.
- b) In the event of a tie, the athlete with the highest points at a single event shall be selected. In the event of a further tie, the athlete with the next highest points at a single event shall be selected until the tie is broken.

SELECTION PROCESS – SNOWBOARDCROSS MIXED GENDER TEAM EVENT

23. Snowboardcross Mixed Gender Team race is scheduled to be held during the YOG competition period.

The number of teams per Nation will be determined according to FIS Snowboard Rules.

Team Event participation for Canadian athletes will be determined as follows:

- Team #1: The top ranked Male and Female finishers according to the best final result in the individual race at the same venue.

If Canada is allocated two or more teams, participation for remaining team positions will be determined as follows:



- Team #2: Top Ranked Male and Female finishers (not previously selected to Team #1) with the fastest time trial run from the Qualification Rounds of the individual race at the same venue.
- Team #3: Determined by the Snowboardcross coaches, by consensus, based on the factors below (not previously selected to Team # 1 or #2). Selection remains at the discretion of the Snowboardcross coaches, with the ultimate goal of fielding the most competitive team pairing who have demonstrated that they are the most capable of achieving a podium result.

Factors that will be considered by the Snowboardcross Coaches in the selection of Team #3 include technical and tactical aspects of the event, as well as team dynamics. These factors include, but are not limited to:

- Previous and current performance at major international competitions (WC, Sr. or Jr. WCH, OLY);
- Team composition requirements and technical demands of the specific course;
- Demonstrated strong field of play decision making;
- Proven competitive experience and success in individual Snowboardcross races at the international level; and
- Consideration of performance at the individual race at the same venue.

It is understood that in making selections to create the best possible team pairing, it is possible that the highest ranked individual athlete(s) may not be selected.

NOTE: The timing of Team Event participation decision(s) will be made onsite during the YOG competition period in accordance with any FIS rules and regulations and will only include those athletes who started in the individual race at that venue.

SPECIAL RANKING CONSIDERATIONS

24. Selection rankings notwithstanding, Canada Snowboard may at any time withhold competitive opportunities as per the “HPP Protocol for Return to Competition Protocol” (General Policy).

https://www.canadasnowboard.ca/files/CS%20RTS%20protocol_2018.pdf

25. On the basis of the Special Ranking Considerations listed below, and notwithstanding selection rankings, Canada Snowboard shall have the discretion to select athletes to participate in an order other than that indicated by the rankings. Canada Snowboard shall also have the discretion to select fewer male or female athletes than the maximum quota provided by FIS.

The grounds for any such decisions must be discussed and clearly detailed by the Nomination Committee in their meeting minutes and must be in accordance with the General Policies of the High-Performance Program. The General Policies are posted on the Canada Snowboard website within the “Document Centre”.

<https://www.canadasnowboard.ca/files/HPP-GeneralPolicies.pdf>

Special Ranking Considerations include, but are not limited to, the following examples:



- a) The athlete's level of physical conditioning, evaluated in terms of the "Strength & conditioning Minimum Standards" established for the High-Performance Program.
- b) Anomalies in competitions arising from factors such as weather or abnormally small field sizes, or the gross inflation of the points value of the event, which are considered by the Nomination Committee to be a factor in the attainment of or failure to attain results.
- c) Gaps in the points used to rank athletes, which may be taken to represent a significant gap in performance ability. A gap will be defined as a 5% change of the maximum allowance of points. For instance, if using the FIS Points system (1000 Point Maximum) three athletes have 100, 97, and 96 points respectively, and the next ranked athlete has 45 points, a gap may be said to exist which indicates an athlete's potential ability or inability to compete at the same level as other Canada Snowboard athletes in the same discipline.
 - i. Determination of what constitutes a significant gap may fluctuate depending on results achieved and where the majority of riders fall within the criteria met. Canada Snowboard will provide reasoned explanations and data to support any decisions to not select athletes because it has been considered that a significant gap exists.
- d) An athlete who is showing very strong results in the most recent competitions may be moved higher than their calculated ranking.
 - i. Very strong results will ordinarily reflect an ability to perform consistently at or above the midpoint of a final World Cup field, which may be demonstrated by consistently performing within the Top 8 at Junior World Championships, or comparable Continental Cup events with a strong international field.
- e) An athlete who shows excellent physical characteristics (measured in testing) or technical capability may be moved higher than their calculated ranking.
- f) An athlete who has failed to capitalize on numerous competitive opportunities and is therefore not progressing towards the program goal may move lower than their calculated ranking.

HEALTH RELATED CURTAILMENT OF ACTIVITIES

- 26. There may be occasions when an athlete who is otherwise selected to participate is, or becomes, by reason of a health-related curtailment of activities, unable to compete. In such circumstances, Canada Snowboard shall have the discretion to replace this athlete with another eligible athlete, provided that the athlete with the health-related curtailment has been assessed by a Canada Snowboard approved physician and such assessment supports this decision.
- 27. Canada Snowboard may, at any time, require an athlete who is unable to participate in training or competition due to injury, to obtain a medical assessment from a team physician. The purpose of the medical assessment is to confirm the degree of the athlete's injury and to determine the expected timeline for the athlete's recovery.
- 28. Following nomination by Canada Snowboard to the COC, any replacement of athletes is subject to the approval of the COC Team Selection Committee. After January 5th, 2024, any such replacements are also subject to the Gangwon 2024 Late Athlete Replacement Policy.



STAFF SELECTION (COACHES, TEAM LEADERS & SUPPORT STAFF)

29. The Canada Snowboard Sport & High Performance Director (HPD) has the sole discretion in selecting the support staff, including the team leaders and coach(es) for the YOG. The support staff will be selected based on the principle of sending a team of support staff that is best capable of assisting athletes in achieving podium performances at the event.

ON-SITE DECISION MAKING AUTHORITY

30. During the actual competition period at the YOG all final decision-making authority will reside with the Head Coach(es) of each discipline, in consultation with the Team Leader. The Team Leader shall retain decision-making authority in the absence of the Head Coach(es).

REMOVAL OF ATHLETE ONCE SELECTED OR NOMINATED

31. The Nomination Committee may, at any time, and at their discretion, disqualify an athlete from being considered for nomination to the Canadian YOG Team based on current or past behavior of the athlete that is inconsistent with Canada Snowboard's Code of Conduct and Ethics or any other relevant and applicable policy. A copy of the Code of Conduct and Ethics is available on the Canada Snowboard website at:

https://www.canadasnowboard.ca/files/Canada_Snowboard_Safe_Sport_Policy_Manual_EN.pdf_page=12/

An athlete will not be eligible for nomination and/or and will be removed from the Canadian YOG Team if he/she is subject to a provisional suspension by any anti-doping organization with authority over the athlete or if they have been found to have committed an anti-doping rule violation by any such organization and will be subject to a period of ineligibility that will be in force during the YOG.

Prior to nomination to the COC, the Nomination Committee will have the final authority over dismissal of any athlete from the athlete pool and/or 2024 YOG Team. Following nomination to the COC, any such removals are subject to the approval of the COC Team Selection Committee. Reasons for dismissal include, but are not limited to:

- Inability to maintain high training standards,
- Inability to meet performance expectations in competitions,
- Inability to perform due to injury, illness or for other medical reasons as determined by Canada Snowboard's medical staff,
- Violation of Team rules as defined by Canada Snowboard and/or the COC,
- Violation of Canada Snowboard's Code of Conduct and Ethics or any other relevant and applicable policy,
- Detrimental conduct to the team and/or the image of Canada Snowboard or the Canadian National Team Programs,
- Failure to adhere to all WADA, CCES, FIS and COC anti-doping protocols, policies and procedures including participation in out of competition testing as required by WADA, CCES, FIS and COC rules.
- If the athlete has not taken part in the mandatory training camps organized by Canada Snowboard prior to the 2024 YOG competition period, and/or



- If the athlete has not fulfilled his/her responsibilities as identified in the Canada Snowboard Athlete Agreement (where applicable).

FUNDING

32. In the event that there are funding implications that require athletes (and/or staff) to pay for the partial or full costs associated with selection or attendance for the YOG, Canada Snowboard will communicate all relevant information, as it is currently known, to the impacted parties as soon as is reasonably possible. Athletes (and/or staff) are required to cover to any communicated costs in order to maintain their selection to the YOG.

APPEALS

33. Any appeal of any decision of the Nomination Committee may be made by any Canada Snowboard member in good standing who is directly affected by the decision. **Due to unforeseen circumstances resulting in significant time restraints appeals must be submitted within 48 hours of the 2024 YOG Team announcement.** Appeals must be conducted in accordance with the Canada Snowboard Appeal Policy, which is available on the Canada Snowboard website at: <http://www.canadasnowboard.ca/en/docs>.

Individuals wishing to appeal a decision of the Selection Committee are also encouraged to consult the Canada Snowboard Appeals Policy Process Map which is available on the Canada Snowboard website at: <https://www.canadasnowboard.ca/files/AppealsPolicyProcessMap.pdf>

GENERAL

34. This Selection Protocol was originally drafted in English and then translated into French. Where there is a difference in interpretation between the French and English versions of this document, which may be due to translation, then the English version shall be used to understand the drafter's intent.
35. This Selection Protocol is intended to apply as drafted and, specifically, where no athletes are prevented from competing in relevant events because of an unforeseen injury or other unanticipated or unforeseen circumstances. Unforeseen circumstances or circumstances beyond Canada Snowboard's control may arise which prevent relevant competitions from taking place or from taking place in a fair manner, and/or where the procedure for nomination as described in this Selection Protocol would result in a nomination process which is unfair or not in the best interests of Canada Snowboard's Performance Objectives and the general principles for selection, as indicated in this Selection Protocol.
36. In the event of such unforeseen circumstances the Canada Snowboard Sport & High Performance Director will, where possible, consult with the Executive Director to determine if the circumstances justify competition and/or nomination taking place in an alternative manner. In such circumstances, the Sport & High Performance Director shall communicate the alternative selection or nomination process to all impacted individuals as soon as possible. In the event an alternative selection or nomination process takes place, the Selection Committee remains responsible for making selection decisions, in accordance with the revised protocol as determined by the Sport & High Performance Director.



37. This Selection Protocol is based on IOC/FIS rules and regulations as presently known and understood and on the latest information available to Canada Snowboard. Any changes in the selection criteria and procedures necessitated by a change in the IOC/FIS rules and regulations will be distributed to the affected parties as soon as reasonably possible. In such circumstances, Canada Snowboard will review and amend, where necessary, this Selection Protocol to comply with new regulations or conditions. Amendments to this document will be communicated directly to the affected athletes as well as posted to the Canada Snowboard website.



**APPENDIX A: FIS/IOC Winter Youth Olympic Games Qualification System (QS)
As of April 17, 2022**



QUALIFICATION SYSTEM – WINTER YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES GANGWON 2024

**INTERNATIONAL SKI AND SNOWBOARD
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SNOWBOARD**

A. Events (9)

Men's events (5)	Women's events (5)	Mixed Events (1)
Men's Halfpipe	Women's Halfpipe	Snowboard Cross Mixed Team
Men's Slopestyle	Women's Slopestyle	
Men's Big Air	Women's Big Air	
Men's Snowboard Cross	Women's Snowboard Cross	

B. Athletes Quota

B.1. TOTAL QUOTA FOR SPORT / DISCIPLINE:

		Qualification Places	Host Country Places	Total
Men	Halfpipe	16	Included in qualification places (Two (2) men and two (2) women per event)	16
	Slopestyle / Big Air	22		22
	Snowboard Cross	28		28
Women	Halfpipe	16		16
	Slopestyle / Big Air	22		22
	Snowboard Cross	28		28
Total	Halfpipe	32		32
	Slopestyle / Big Air	44		44
	Snowboard Cross	56		56
Total		132 athletes		132 athletes

B.2. MAXIMUM NUMBER OF ATHLETES PER NOC:

Event	Quota per NOC	
Men	Halfpipe	2*
	Slopestyle / Big Air	2*
	Snowboard Cross	2*
Women	Halfpipe	2*
	Slopestyle / Big Air	2*



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Event	Quota per NOC
Snowboard Cross	2*
Snowboard Cross Mixed Team	Two (2) Mixed Teams per NOC (One (1) man and one (1) woman per team)
Total	4
Total	4
Total	4
Total	12 athletes

*Maximum of three (3) entries per individual event from the athletes already qualified and entered in the Gangwon 2024 Winter Youth Olympic Games, as described in **D.5 Additional participation for athletes already qualified**.

An NOC may enter a maximum of two (2) teams in the Snowboard Cross Mixed Team event. Each team is composed of one (1) man and one (1) woman who are already qualified and entered in the Gangwon 2024 Winter Youth Olympic Games Snowboard Cross events.

B.3. TYPE OF ALLOCATION OF QUOTA PLACES:

The quota place(s) is/are allocated to the NOC by event.

C. Athlete Eligibility

All athletes participating in the YOG must respect and comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force. Only those athletes who respect and comply with the Olympic Charter, the World Anti-Doping Code and the Olympic Movement Code on the Prevention of the Manipulation of Competitions, including the conditions of participation established by the IOC, as well as with the rules of the International Ski and Snowboard Federation (FIS), may participate in the YOG.

C.1. AGE REQUIREMENTS:

To be eligible to participate in the Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024, athletes must have been born between:

- Snowboard Cross: 1 January 2006 and 31 December 2008.
- Halfpipe: 1 January 2006 and 31 December 2009.
- Slopestyle & Big Air: 1 January 2006 and 31 December 2009.

C.2. ADDITIONAL IF REQUIREMENTS:

Athletes must have obtained YOG FIS points in Snowboard Cross, Snowboard Halfpipe, Snowboard Slopestyle and Snowboard Big Air to start in the respective event. Athletes with only Snowboard Slopestyle YOG FIS points are also eligible to start in the Snowboard Big Air event. YOG FIS points are earned in accordance with the FIS Rules for FIS Points during the YOG qualification period from **1 July 2022 to 17 December 2023**.



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D. Qualification Pathway

The YOG FIS points lists per event per gender, published on 18 December 2023 on the FIS website (www.fis-ski.com) contains only YOG age group athletes during the qualification period from 1 July 2022 to 17 December 2023. For Snowboard Slopestyle / Big Air, the YOG FIS points list for Snowboard Slopestyle lists will be used. FIS will publish the latest YOG FIS points list for information on a regular basis.

Number of Quota Places	Qualification Event
D.1: Men's Snowboard Cross: 20 Women's Snowboard Cross: 20	D.1.1 The top nine (9) NOCs in the respective men's and women's Snowboard Cross events at the FIS Snowboard World Junior Championships 2023 (WJC 2023) and the Host Country are entitled to two (2) quota places in the respective event, for a total of ten (10) NOCs per event per gender.
Men's Slopestyle / Big Air: 16 Women's Slopestyle / Big Air: 16	D.1.2 If there is a tie for 10 th place (or 9 th if the Host Country is not ranked in the top 10) in the men's or women's Snowboard Cross WJC 2023 event results, the NOC with the best ranked athlete in the respective gender on the Snowboard Cross YOG FIS points list will be ranked ahead.
Men's Halfpipe: 12 Women's Halfpipe: 12	D.1.3 The top seven (7) NOCs in the Snowboard Slopestyle / Big Air men's and women's WJC 2023 standings and the Host Country are entitled to two (2) quota places in Snowboard Slopestyle / Big Air, for a total of eight (8) NOCs per gender. The Snowboard Slopestyle / Big Air WJC 2023 standings per gender are established by adding each competitors' Snowboard Slopestyle and Big Air points (using the points table that can be found here) earned in the WJC 2023 Snowboard Slopestyle and Big Air events.
	D.1.4 If there is a tie for 8 th place (or 7 th if the Host Country is not ranked in the top 8) in the men's or women's Snowboard Slopestyle / Big Air WJC 2023 Standings, the NOC with the best ranked athlete in the respective gender on the Slopestyle YOG FIS points list will be ranked ahead.
	D.1.5 The top five (5) NOCs in the respective men's and women's Snowboard Halfpipe events at the FIS Snowboard World Junior Championships 2023 (WJC 2023) and the Host Country are entitled to two (2) quota places in the respective event, for a total of six (6) NOCs per event per gender.
	D.1.6 If there is a tie for 6 th place (or 5 th if the Host Country is not ranked in the top 6) in the men's or women's Snowboard Halfpipe WJC 2023 event results, the NOC with the best ranked athlete in the respective gender on the Snowboard Halfpipe YOG FIS points list will be ranked ahead.
D.2: Men's Snowboard Cross: 8 Women's Snowboard Cross: 8 Men's Slopestyle / Big Air: 6	D.2.1 The remaining quota places in the men's and women's Snowboard Cross and Snowboard Halfpipe events will be distributed with a maximum of one (1) athlete per NOC to the next ranked NOC in the men's and women's Snowboard Cross and Snowboard Halfpipe events in the WJC 2023 to the NOCs



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Number of Quota Places	Qualification Event
Women's Slopestyle / Big Air: 6	not yet qualified according to D.1 until the maximum quota places per event is filled.
Men's Halfpipe: 4 Women's Halfpipe: 4	<p>D.2.2 The remaining quota places in the men's and women's Snowboard Slopestyle / Big Air will be distributed with a maximum of one (1) athlete per NOC to the next ranked NOC in the men's and women's WJC 2023 standings to the NOCs not yet qualified according to D.1 until the maximum quota places per event is filled. The Snowboard Slopestyle / Big Air WJC 2023 standings per gender are established by adding each competitor's Snowboard Slopestyle and Big Air points (using the points table that can be found here) earned in the WJC 2023 Snowboard Slopestyle and Big Air events.</p> <p>D.2.3 If there is a tie for the final allocated quota place(s), the NOC with the best ranked athlete in the respective gender on the YOG FIS points list will be ranked ahead (for Slopestyle / Big Air, the Slopestyle YOG FIS points list will be used).</p>
	<p>D.3 In the event that there are remaining quota places thereafter, quota places will be allocated with a maximum of one (1) athlete per NOC amongst the NOCs not yet qualified according to D.1 and D.2. These quota places will be allocated to the NOCs with the best ranked athlete on the respective event's YOG FIS points lists published on 18 December 2023 until all quota places are filled. For Slopestyle / Big Air quota allocation, the Slopestyle YOG FIS points list will be used first, followed by the Big Air YOG FIS points list.</p> <p>D.4 In the event that there are remaining places thereafter, the allocation of quota places will continue according to D.2 and D.3, based on their second (2nd) best ranked athlete until all quota places are filled.</p> <p>D.5 Additional participation for athletes already qualified:</p> <p>D.5.1 Snowboard Cross - Up to one (1) additional athlete per gender per NOC, already entered by the NOC in Snowboard Halfpipe or Snowboard Slopestyle / Big Air may also participate in Snowboard Cross subject to the athlete respecting the eligibility criteria for Snowboard Cross as detailed in C. Athlete Eligibility.</p> <p>D.5.2 Snowboard Halfpipe - Up to one (1) additional athlete per gender per NOC, already entered by the NOC in Snowboard Slopestyle / Big Air or Snowboard Cross, may also participate in Snowboard Halfpipe subject to the athlete respecting the eligibility criteria for Snowboard Halfpipe as detailed in C. Athlete Eligibility.</p> <p>D.5.3 Snowboard Slopestyle / Big Air - Up to one (1) additional athlete per gender per NOC, already entered by the NOC in Snowboard Halfpipe or Snowboard Cross, may also participate in Snowboard Slopestyle and/or Big Air subject to the athlete respecting the eligibility criteria for Snowboard Slopestyle and Snowboard Big Air as detailed in C. Athlete Eligibility.</p>



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Number of Quota Places	Qualification Event
	D.5.4 There will be a limit of 32 athletes per event with the entry of additional participation of athletes already qualified. If the entries of additional participation of athletes already qualified exceed 32 athletes per event, the best ranked "additional participation" athletes from the respective YOG FIS points list will be given priority to start.
	D.6 In the event of cancellation of the WJC 2023, the quota calculation in D.1 , D.2 and D.3 will be carried out according to the respective YOG FIS points lists per event for Snowboard Cross, Snowboard Halfpipe or Snowboard Slopestyle / Big Air.

HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The Host Country is allocated a quota of two (2) men and two (2) women in each of the Snowboard Cross, Snowboard Halfpipe and Snowboard Slopestyle / Big Air events as detailed in **D.1**. The selection of athletes is at the discretion of the Host NOC while respecting the eligibility criteria as detailed in **C. Athlete Eligibility**.

The Host Country is entitled to enter two (2) teams in the Mixed Team Snowboard Cross event composed of one (1) man and one (1) woman athlete per team who are already qualified and entered in the Gangwon 2024 Winter Youth Olympic Games Snowboard Cross events, as described in **B.2**.

E. Confirmation Process for Quota Places

FIS shall inform the NOCs that earn quota places via the FIS Website on 18 December 2023. The NOCs will then have one (1) day to confirm via the FIS online system if they wish to use these quota places, as detailed in **G. Qualification Timeline**. A provisional quota allocation list will be available for the NOCs to review a few weeks before the deadline.

The number of quota places an NOC is able to confirm at any point of time cannot be higher than the number of eligible athletes on the YOG FIS points list or the maximum quota places.

F. Reallocation of Unused Quota Places

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION PLACES

If an allocated quota place is not confirmed by the NOC by the confirmation of the quota place deadline or is declined by the NOC, the quota place will be reallocated by FIS based on the criteria described in **D.2** followed by **D.3** and if required, **D.4**.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACE

If the Host Country declines any of its quota places, then the quota places will be reallocated according to "Reallocation of Unused Qualification Places" section.



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G. Qualification Timeline

Period	Date	Milestone
Qualification	1 July 2022 to 17 December 2023	Gangwon 2024 qualification period
	24-26 March 2023	FIS Snowboard Junior World Championships 2023 (WJC 2023), Bansko (BUL)
	30-31 March 2023	FIS Snowboard Cross Junior World Championships 2023 (WJC 2023), San Pellegrino (ITA)
	29 August – 8 September 2023	FIS Park and Pipe Junior World Championships 2023 (WJC 2023), Cardrona (NZL)
Accreditation deadline	31 October 2023	Gangwon 2024 Accreditation deadline
Reallocation	18 December 2023	FIS to inform NOCs and NFs of their allocated quota places through publication on the FIS Website and provide the login details to access the FIS online system for confirmation of quota places.
	18-19 December 2023	NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places
	20-21 December 2023	FIS to reallocate all unused quota places and NOCs to confirm within 12 hours
Sport Entries deadline	3 January 2024	End of reallocation period
Sport Entries deadline	5 January 2024	Gangwon 2024 Sport Entries deadline
YOG	19 January - 1 February 2024	Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024