

# QUALIFYING FOR THE CANADIAN OLYMPIC SNOWBOARD TEAM

## OLYMPIC QUOTA

The IOC determines the number of athletes that may compete at the 2018 OWG by establishing quotas per discipline for each country participating in the Games. The Canada Snowboard quota is guided by the IOC Qualification System.

For the 2018 OWG, the IOC has established the following Snowboard quotas for each country:

### Slopestyle & Big Air



### Parallel Giant Slalom



### Halfpipe



### Snowboardcross



**14** Maximum number of athletes per gender

**26** Overall maximum team size

## OLYMPIC TEAM ELIGIBILITY



### WHAT MAKES ME ELIGIBLE?



Are you a **CANADIAN CITIZEN** with a valid passport that does not expire prior to **AUGUST 28, 2018?**

**YES**

Are you in good standing with **CANADA SNOWBOARD** and meet the following **FIS REQUIREMENTS?**

- One top 30 at World Cup or World Championships
- At least 100 FIS points (SBX, PGS)
- At least 50 FIS points (SBS\BA, HP)

**NO**

Update Your Passport



**OK!**

You are eligible for nomination to the Olympic team. To be nominated to the Olympic team please keep reading.

**NO**

Contact Canada Snowboard

## ELIGIBLE COMPETITIONS FOR NOMINATION

For an athlete to be considered for nomination by Canada Snowboard to the 2018 Canadian Olympic team, specific competitions for each discipline have been identified as the ones to be used to determine the nomination (selection) of any given athlete to the team. These competitions are deemed "eligible competitions" meaning they are the only ones from which the results will be used when determining nominations. These competitions are listed for both Method 'A' and Method 'B' Nomination Processes and occur during a specified "Selection Period".

### SPEED SELECTION PERIOD

**July 1, 2016 to January 14, 2018, inclusive.**

For nomination to the Olympic team eligible competitions for nomination to the Speed Disciplines (Parallel Giant Slalom and Snowboardcross) to the Olympic team shall be defined as (PGS or SBX) **FIS World Cups**, and the **2017 FIS Snowboard World Championships PGS or SBX events** during the speed selection period.

### FREESTYLE SELECTION PERIOD

**July 1, 2016 to January 1, 2018, inclusive.**

For nomination to the Olympic team by Method 'A' eligible competitions for the Freestyle Disciplines (Slopestyle, Big Air and Halfpipe) to the will be limited to 5 competitions each for the **2016-17 Canadian Winter Olympic Selection Tour**.

**January 1, 2017 to January 1, 2018, inclusive.**

For nomination by Method 'B' eligible competitions for the freestyle disciplines will include **International and Elite World Snowboarding Points List (WSPL)** ranked events worth **700 WSPL points or higher** during the selection period.

## NOMINATION PROCESS

# METHOD 'A' EARLY NOMINATION

A limited number of eligible athletes may be nominated, on a provisional basis, to the COC based on the results in their respective **Canadian Winter Olympic Selection Tour** competitions described below.

**SPEED - CANADIAN WINTER OLYMPIC SELECTION TOUR (PGS, SBX)**  
All 2016-17 (PGS or SBX) FIS World Cups and the 2017 FIS Snowboard World Championships.

**FREESTYLE - CANADIAN WINTER OLYMPIC SELECTION TOUR (SBS, BA, HP)**  
Consists of the 5 events per discipline listed below for the 2016-17 season only.

### SLOPESTYLE

- LAAX FIS World Cup
- X Games Aspen
- Quebec FIS World Cup
- US Open
- X Games Oslo

### BIG AIR

- Alpensia FIS World Cup
- Copper FIS World Cup
- X Games Aspen
- Quebec FIS World Cup
- X Games Oslo

### HALFPIPE

- Copper FIS World Cup
- LAAX FIS World Cup
- Mammoth FIS World Cup
- Bokwang FIS World Cup
- FIS Snowboard World Championships

The maximum number of eligible athletes that may be nominated to the COC through Method 'A' and the **Canadian Winter Olympic Selection Tour** competitions are:



**1**

To be provisionally nominated to the COC through Method 'A' an **eligible** athlete must do the following:



**2 Podiums** in their discipline events at the identified **Canadian Winter Olympic Selection Tour** competitions



**Compete 3 times** with Top 16s and Top 2/3 of the field size in competitions on the **Canadian Winter Olympic Selection Tour**



**Big Air**  
If an athlete is nominated through Big Air results the athlete must also have competed in 3 of the 5 slopestyle events with placings in the top 16 and top 2/3 of the field size, rounded down to the nearest whole number.

**2**

Eligible athletes who have competed in at least 3 events in their discipline from the **Canadian Winter Olympic Selection Tour** and who have achieved at least 2 podium finishes at those events will be ranked according to the following procedure:

- 10 ranking lists will be created, 1 for each gender in Slopestyle, Big Air, Halfpipe, Parallel Giant Slalom, and Snowboardcross.
- An athlete's best 3 placings will be used to determine ranking.
- Only placings in the top 16 AND top 2/3 of the field size, rounded down to the nearest whole number (excluding DNS competitors) may be used in the athlete's 'best 3' placings.
- Rankings will be calculated according to the sum of each athlete's 3 best placings. For example: if an athlete's best placings are 2nd, 3rd, and 10th their sum will be 15. The athlete with the lowest aggregate total will be highest.
- Athletes nominated through Method 'A' must be ranked high enough on the FIS Olympic Quota Allocation List, at the end of the OWG quota allocation period, January, 21 2018, and be eligible for an Olympic quota spot for Canada Snowboard.
- In the event of a tie of the aggregate total between 2 or more athlete's best 3 placings, the athlete with the single highest placing that breaks a tie from above will be selected.
- Athletes nominated through Method 'A' must also meet a minimum performance criterion at an eligible event during the 2017/18 competition season. The athlete must place in the top 16 AND top 2/3 of the field size (excluding DNS competitors) in at least 1 World Cup (Speed) or WSPL 700 point event or higher (Freestyle).
- In the unlikely event that less than 3 events of the Canadian Winter Olympic Selection Tour for Slopestyle OR Big Air happen, athletes can still qualify for Method 'A' through the opposite discipline. In the unlikely event Slopestyle AND Big Air both have less than 3 events, athletes may only be nominated by method 'B' outlined below.
- In the unlikely event that less than 3 events of the Canadian Winter Olympic Selection Tour for Halfpipe, Parallel Giant Slalom or Snowboardcross happen, athletes may only be nominated by method 'B' outlined below.

**VS.**

# METHOD 'B' RESULTS-BASED NOMINATION

## SPEED DISCIPLINES - SBX & PGS



### Priority 1

1 win at a FIS World Cup.  
**OR**  
1 win at 2017 FIS Snowboard World Championships (Athletes with multiple podiums will be ranked higher)



### Priority 2

1 podium at FIS World Cup.  
**OR**  
1 podium at 2017 FIS Snowboard World Championships (Athletes with multiple podiums will be ranked higher)



### Priority 3

2 top 12 results at eligible competitions during the selection period



### Priority 4

Demonstrates 2022 medal potential as determined by the athlete performance curves, Canada Snowboard's Gold Medal Profile, and Podium Pathway



### Priority 5

Best 2 results within the top 1/2 of the field size at eligible competitions during the selection period

In the event of a tie in the result(s) in the implementation of the above nomination process, the tie will be broken by the tied athlete's single best percentile of field placing, then 2nd best, 3rd best, and so on, until the tie is broken. Only results from eligible competitions will be considered. Percentile of field placing is calculated according to the following formula: (Field size - Placing) / Field Size x 100.

## FREESTYLE DISCIPLINES - SBS, BA & HP

All eligible athletes will be ranked onto 6 separate ranking lists, 1 per gender per discipline (SBS, BA, HP). The 3 eligible (700 WSPL points or higher) events during the selection period in which the athlete's highest points achieved on the World Snowboard Points List (WSPL) will be used to determine the rank.

### Slopestyle & Big Air

The slopestyle ranking list will be used to determine the ranks of the athletes for the remaining Olympic quota spots and up to 3 additional alternates.

### Halfpipe

The halfpipe ranking list will be used to determine the ranks of the athletes for the remaining Olympic quota spots and up to 3 additional alternates.

In the event of a TIE



### Big Air

The Big Air ranking list will only be used in the event of a tie in the Slopestyle Ranking. The athlete ranked higher on the Big Air ranking list will be awarded the remaining Olympic Quota spot.

In the event of a further TIE

In the event of a tie on the Big Air ranking list, the athlete with the next best result at an eligible event based on WSPL points in Slopestyle will be used until the tie is broken to award the remaining Olympic Quota Spot.

In the event of a TIE

In the event of a tie on the Halfpipe ranking list, the athlete with the next best result at an eligible event based on WSPL points in Halfpipe will be used until the tie is broken to award the remaining Olympic Quota Spot.

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