



2024-25 SNOWBOARD SLOPESTYLE/BIG AIR TEAM NOMINATION CRITERIA

ELIGIBILITY FOR CONSIDERATION

U.S. Ski & Snowboard will consider for selection only those U.S. Ski & Snowboard members in good standing who have a valid U.S. passport, a valid USA-coded FIS license, and who meet FIS minimum eligibility standards.

An athlete shall be ineligible for consideration if previously suspended or removed from team membership without having been reinstated by U.S. Ski & Snowboard. An athlete who has previously declined an offer of team membership shall not be automatically offered team membership unless that athlete specifically requests consideration and the U.S. Ski & Snowboard Slopestyle/Big Air Snowboard Head Coach approves the request.

The U.S. Snowboard Team will select only the most qualified athletes with the greatest possibilities for winning medals in future World Championship and Olympic Winter Games competitions.

Athletes must demonstrate a capability to adhere to both U.S. Ski & Snowboard Values and Code of Conduct to be eligible for nomination.

CRITERIA GUIDELINES

- The Snowboard Sport Director is responsible for applying the selection criteria set forth herein, subject to the oversight of the U.S. Ski & Snowboard Chief of Sport.
- Objective selections shall be based on the results achieved by athletes in competitions held between Oct 21, 2023, and March 27, 2024 (the "Selection Period").
- Discretionary nominations, if any, may be based on a variety of factors, including competitions conducted outside of the Selection Period.
- Team status does not guarantee funding from U.S. Ski & Snowboard for competition or for preparation.
- No minimum team size will be established.
- A maximum of twelve (12) Pro Team athletes and eight (8) Rookie Team athletes will be nominated using the criteria outlined below. If more than twelve (12) Pro Team and eight (8) Rookie Team athletes qualify under the criteria, then athletes will be nominated in order of priority as outlined in the Objective Criteria below.
- Athletes must be willing to commit to and participate in the full U.S. Snowboard Team camp and competition season structure.



OBJECTIVE NOMINATION CRITERIA SLOPESTYLE/BIG AIR:

Athletes meeting the following objective criteria during the Selection Period will be selected to the U.S. Snowboard Team:

PRO TEAM

Athletes meeting the following objective criteria will be selected for the Pro Team. If ties exist following the final bullet, priority will be applied in order of the single best World Cup result.

- One (1) top three (3) result in Snowboard Slopestyle/Big Air World Cup or X-Games competition.
- Two (2) top eight (8) results in Snowboard Slopestyle/Big Air World Cup.

Age eligibility: YOB: 2004 and younger

- One (1) Snowboard Slopestyle/Big Air World Cup Final & one (1) Snowboard Slopestyle/Big Air NorAm win.

ROOKIE TEAM

Athletes meeting the following objective criteria will be selected to the Rookie Team. If ties exist following application of the criteria, priority will be applied in order of single best Revolution (Rev) Tour or World Junior Championship result. If a tie remains after application of the single best result, priority will be given to subsequent next best results.

Age eligibility: YOB: 2004-2008

- One (1) win and one (1) top three (3) result in Snowboard Slopestyle NorAm Tour and/or FIS 2024 World Junior Snowboard Slopestyle Championships.

DISCRETIONARY SELECTION POLICY

U.S. Ski & Snowboard may select additional athletes to the team using coaches' discretion based upon factors other than the objective criteria. If the coaching staff selects any team nominations with discretionary selections, then the staff may consider any factors including (but not limited to) the following:

- Illness or injury during the Selection Period.
- Indication of medal potential in future Olympic and World Championship competitions, which would be materially enhanced by selection to team.

Renomination of any named team athlete by discretion will be based on objective performance benchmarks within the individualized Athlete Plan that exists for all named team athletes as established by U.S. Ski & Snowboard Staff.

ATHLETE INJURY CLAUSE

Any athlete that has been objectively named to the team and sustains a season-ending injury (as declared by the High Performance Director) prior to February 1st will be renominated to their current team for the subsequent season. In certain exceptional cases due to severe injury, certain athletes may be granted a 2-year renomination to give them time to return to



peak performance. Such 2-year renomination will be communicated to the athlete prior to the beginning of the selection period of the second year. Athlete's sustaining an injury after February 1st who have not made objective criteria will be subject to a discretionary selection, which is not guaranteed. In this circumstance, the ranking at time of injury will be considered toward discretion.

In all cases, in order to retain current team status an injured athlete must follow the prescribed rehabilitation or medical program along with an approved return to performance on snow progression as approved by U.S. Ski & Snowboard High Performance, the Snowboard Sport Director, and the Head Coach. Travel funding, team re-integration and trip inclusion will be based upon passing of Return to Performance tests and sport specific competitive form as determined by the U.S. Ski & Snowboard Medical, High Performance, and Coaching staff.

IN-SEASON PROMOTION

Athletes will not be promoted in season. No athletes will be demoted during the season; however, funding may be suspended at any time if progress or commitment is not consistent with the team program and/or the athlete does not remain in good standing.