



2024-25 SNOWBOARDCROSS 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 Snowboardcross 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 U.S. Ski & Snowboard Values and Code of Conduct to be eligible for nomination.

CRITERIA GUIDELINES

- The U.S. Ski & Snowboard Snowboardcross Head Coach is responsible for applying the selection criteria set forth herein, subject to the oversight of the U.S. Ski & Snowboard Chief of Sport and Snowboard Sport Director.
- Objective selections shall be based on the results achieved by athletes in FIS competitions held between December 1, 2023, and March 29, 2024 (“the selection period”) and the World Ranking as determined by the 13th FIS Points List for Snowboard Cross 2024 Season.
- 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 ten (10) A/B Team athletes and four (4) Development Group athletes will be nominated using the criteria outlined below. If more than ten (10) A/B Team and four (4) Development athletes qualify under the criteria, then athletes will be nominated in order of priority as outlined in Objective Criteria below.
- Athletes must be willing to commit to and to participate in the full U.S. Snowboard Team camp and competition season structure



OBJECTIVE NOMINATION CRITERIA SNOWBOARDCROSS

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

A TEAM

Athletes meeting the following objective criteria during the selection period will be selected to the A-Team.

- Any athlete achieving a win in a Snowboardcross World Cup competition.
- Any athlete achieving two (2) top three (3) results in a Snowboardcross World Cup competition.
- The 13th FIS Points List for Snowboard Cross 2024 Season will be used to nominate athletes meeting the following standard:
 - YOB 1997 or older: World Rank of Ten (10) or better (men and women).
 - YOB 1998: World Rank of Fifteen (15) or better (men) and Ten (10) or better (women).
 - YOB 1999: World Rank of Twenty (20) or better (men) and Ten (10) or better (women).
 - YOB 2000: World Rank of Twenty-Five (25) or better (men) and Ten (10) or better (women).
 - YOB 2001: World Rank of Thirty (30) or better (men) and Ten (10) or better (women).
 - YOB 2002 through 2006: World Rank of Thirty-Five (35) or better (men) and Ten (10) or better (women)

B TEAM

Athletes meeting the following objective criteria during the selection period will be selected to the B-Team.

- Any athlete achieving two (2) top eight (8) results in a Snowboardcross World Cup competition in the selection period.
- The 13th FIS Points List for Snowboard Cross 2024 Season will be used to nominate athletes meeting the following standard:
 - YOB 1997 or older: World Rank of Twenty (20) or better (men and women).
 - YOB 1998: World Rank of Thirty (30) or better (men) and Twenty (20) or better (women).
 - YOB 1999: World Rank of Forty (40) or better (men) and Twenty (20) or better (women).
 - YOB 2000 through 2006: World Rank of Fifty (50) or better (men) and Twenty (20) or better (women).



SNOWBOARDCROSS DEVELOPMENT GROUP

Athletes meeting the following objective criteria will be selected to the Development Group.

- The top ranked athlete, YOB 2002 or younger, who is in the top three (3) of the final 2024 SBX NorAm Cup standings.
 - Additional competitors (2nd and/or 3rd place) in the Top Three will be nominated only if they have achieved a minimum of 125 FIS points.
- One (1) top three (3) result at 2024 Individual SBX Jr. World Championships.
- The 13th FIS Points List for Snowboard Cross 2024 Season will be used to nominate athletes meeting the following standard:
 - YOB 2002 through 2008: World Rank of 65 or better (men) and 40 or better (women).

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 that interferes with the athlete's ability to meet objective criteria.
- 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 re-nominated to their current team for the subsequent season. In certain exceptional cases due to severe injury certain athletes may be granted a 2-year re-nomination to give them time to return to peak performance. Such 2-year re-nomination will be communicated to the athlete prior to the beginning of the selection period of the second year. Athlete sustaining 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 the athlete does not remain in good standing.