

U.S. Ski & Snowboard

2018-2019 Ski Jumping Continental Cup Team Selection Criteria Men and Women

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 FIS license and who meet FIS minimum eligibility standards.

Criteria Guidelines:

- U.S. Ski & Snowboard policy mandates that team selection criteria shall be principally objective (or performance-based), but additional athletes may be selected to the Team using coaches' discretion. Look at other criteria about spots filled.
- The team selected by U.S. Ski & Snowboard may consist of any number of athletes up to the FIS quota for the United States.
- The quota of start rights per nation is set by the FIS. In cases where the team size may exceed the quota, start rights will be determined by the USANS Head COC Coach.
- USA Nordic Athletic Director is responsible for applying the selection criteria set forth herein with oversight from the USSA Chief of Sport.
- No minimum team size will be established unless otherwise noted.
- The U.S. coaching staff will determine all events that will be entered and not entered by U.S. athletes from the FIS calendar
- Objective selections shall be based on the results achieved by athletes in U.S. National Championships, FIS Cup, Continental Cup, Summer Grand Prix and World Cup competition held between June 1, 2017 through March 31, 2019 (the "selection period").
- Discretionary selections, if any, may be based on a variety of factors, including competitions conducted outside of the selection period.
- FIS COC Team status does not include funding from U.S. Ski & Snowboard.

General Criteria:

Athletes may be selected to the COC Team based solely upon their competition results during the selection period. (2017-19 Competition Seasons) Athletes meeting below criteria shall be selected to the team on a period by period basis.

- Score WC points during the 2018-2019 season.
- Score COC points during the 2018-2019 season.
- Score WC or COC points during the 2017-2018 season.
- Score FIS points during the 2017-2018 season.

Men: Up to three individuals who meet the above criteria may be entered in the Men's Continental Cup competitions scheduled for the Summer 2018 or Winter 2018-19 seasons (except for domestic COC events where six can be entered if qualified).

Women: Up to six individuals who meet the above criteria may be entered in the Women's Continental Cup competitions scheduled for the Summer 2018 or Winter 2018-19 seasons (except for domestic COC events where 12 can be entered if qualified).

- Individuals who meet the general criteria from 2017-18 will be selected to the COC TEAM **for Period 1** 7-7- 2018 – 8-19-18
- Individuals who meet the general criteria will be selected to the COC TEAM **for Period 2** 9-8- 2018 – 9-30-18
- Individuals who meet the general criteria will be selected to the COC TEAM **for Period 3** 12-8- 2018 – 12-16-18
- Individuals who meet the general criteria will be selected to the COC TEAM **for Period 4** 1-12- 2019 – 1-27-19
- Individuals who meet the general criteria will be selected to the COC TEAM **for Period 5** 1-30- 2019 – 3-3-19
- Individuals who meet the general criteria will be selected to the COC TEAM **for Period 5** 3-9- 2019 – 3-24-19
- Selection to the team does not guarantee start rights at competitions.

Athletes meeting the general criteria shall be selected to the team, unless application of these criteria would result in a total team size exceeding the FIS quota, in which case U.S. Ski & Snowboard shall use the following tie-breaking mechanisms in order:

- Most WC points scored in 2018-2019 season
- Most WC points scored in 2017-2018 season
- Most COC points scored in 2018-2019 season
- Most COC points scored in 2017-2018 season
- Most FIS Cup points during 2018-2019
- Highest Top 15 FIS Cup result in pervious FIS CUP period
- Highest current overall US Cup ranking
- Women: Highest overall rank in FIS CUP standings 2018

Discretionary Selection Policy:

U.S. Ski & Snowboard may select additional athletes to the Team using coaches' discretion, using factors other than objective criteria such as:

- Outstanding competition results from the 2017-2018 or 2018-2019 seasons.
- Recent positive direction or trend of competition results indicating a potential for Olympic success.
- Indication of medal potential in future Olympic or World Championship competition (such as international age group results and rankings) that would be materially enhanced by selection to the team.

All discretionary selections will be documented and appropriate forms will be available for record keeping purposes. All discretionary selections will be reviewed by a discretionary selection review group comprised of USANS Executive Director, the Chief of Sport, and the athlete representative from that sport who is a member of U.S. Ski & Snowboard Board. If U.S. Ski & Snowboard Board Athlete Representative is also a currently competing athlete then another athlete, who is not actively competing, will be selected by the Athletes' Council to be the representative in this group.

Athletes may also petition directly to the Selection Committee to be considered for discretionary selection by submitting, in writing, a petition including any rationale to the Executive Director of USANS Bill Demong (Billy@usanordic.org),

Injury Clause:

An athlete shall be ineligible for consideration if he/she is not fit to compete at the time selections are made due to any injury or illness from which he/she is not expected to recover adequately by the time of the competitions he/she has been selected for. Such determination shall be at the discretion of the USANS Head Ski Jumping Coach, Athletic Director, Head Team Physician, in consultation with U.S. Ski & Snowboard Medical Director, and the athlete's designated physician.