US SKI & SNOWBOARD
ALPINE SKIING ATHLETE SELECTION PROCEDURES
2020 YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES
NOVEMBER 30, 2018

1. SELECTION SYSTEM

Provide the minimum eligibility requirements for an athlete to be considered for selection to the Team:

1.1.1. Nationality/Passport requirements:

Athlete must be a national of the United States at the time of nomination and hold a valid U.S. passport that will not expire for six months after the conclusion of the Games.

1.1.2. Minimum International Olympic Committee (IOC), standards for participation:

Any competitor in the Youth Olympic Games must be a national of the country of the National Olympic Committee (NOC) which is entering such competitor. For additional information regarding an athlete who is a national of two or more countries, has changed his or her nationality or acquired a new nationality, refer to the Olympic Charter (Rule 41).

1.1.3. Minimum International Federation (IF) standards for participation (if any):

- Athletes must be registered with the International Ski Federation (FIS).
- Athletes must be born between January 1, 2002 and December 31, 2003
- Athletes must comply with the Olympic Charter

1.1.4. Other requirements (if any):

- Athlete must be a member in good standing of U.S. Ski & Snowboard.
- Athletes must attend for the entire duration of the Games.
- Athletes must participate in the cultural and education program, and Mixed Team events, as requested.
- Athletes must have successfully completed all Games Registration requirements by stated deadline.
1.2. Tryout Events:

Athletes must have obtained YOG FIS points subject to the following performance criteria:
- Slalom and Giant Slalom: YOG FIS points in at least one (1) FIS alpine event
- Super-G: YOG FIS points in Downhill, Super-G, or Giant Slalom
- Alpine Combined: YOG FIS points in Downhill, Super-G, Giant Slalom, or Alpine Combined

YOG FIS points are earned in accordance with the FIS Rules for FIS Points during the YOG qualification period from July 1, 2018 to December 8, 2019.

1.2.1. Provide the event names, dates and locations of all trials, events and camps to be used as part of the selection process.

Qualification races:
- All FIS races included in the calculation of the most current FIS points list published at the time of nomination date of December 9, 2019.
- 2019 U16 U.S. National Championships, Breckenridge, CO – March 31 – April 4, 2019

1.2.2. Provide event names, dates, locations and description of how athletes qualify for the trials, events and camps listed above in 1.2.1. (if any).

Information regarding the FIS races and points list described above in 1.2.1 can be found at www.fis-ski.com

Qualifiers for 2019 U16 U.S. National Championships:
- Eastern Region U16 Championships, Sugarloaf, ME – March 8-13, 2019
- Rocky/Central U16 Junior Championships, Winter Park, CO – March 4, 2019
- Western Region U16 Championships, Sun Valley, ID – March 14-17, 2019

1.3. Provide a comprehensive, step-by-step description of the method that explains how athletes will go through the selection process (include maximum Team size).

Up to three (3) women and three (3) men will be named based on quotas established by the FIS.

1.3.1. If quota is three (3), the selection criteria will be applied in the following order:

a) One (1) athlete will be selected ranked by the lowest sum of the best two world ranks in any of three events (SL, GS, SG) at the end of the qualification period. Ties will be broken by the single best world rank
in SL, GS, or SG. Additional ties will be broken by the single best FIS point result in SL, GS, or SG during the YOG qualification period.

b) Considering all remaining eligible athletes, one (1) athlete will be selected who achieves two 1st place results in SL, GS or SG at the 2019 U16 U.S. National Championships. Ties will be broken by the single best National point result achieved at the 2019 U16 U.S. National Championships.

c) Considering all remaining eligible athletes, up to two (2) athletes will be selected by the single best world rank in SL, GS, or SG at the end of the qualification period. Ties will be broken by the single best FIS point result in SL, GS or SG during the YOG qualification period.

1.3.2. If quota is two (2), the selection criteria will be applied in the following order:

a) One (1) athlete will be selected ranked by the lowest sum of the best two world ranks in any of three events (SL, GS, SG) at the end of the qualification period. Ties will be broken by the single best world rank in SL, GS, or SG. Additional ties will be broken by the single best FIS point result in SL, GS, or SG during the YOG qualification period.

b) Considering all remaining eligible athletes, one (1) athlete will be selected by the single best world rank in SL, GS, or SG at the end of the qualification period. Ties will be broken by the single best FIS point result in SL, GS or SG during the YOG qualification period.

1.3.3. If quota is one (1), the selection criteria will be applied in the following order:

a) One (1) athlete will be selected ranked by the lowest sum of the best two world ranks in any of three events (SL, GS, SG) at the end of the qualification period. Ties will be broken by the single best world rank in SL, GS, or SG. Additional ties will be broken by the single best FIS point result in SL, GS, or SG during the YOG qualification period.

2. DISCRETIONARY SELECTION (if applicable)

2.1. Provide rationale for utilizing discretionary selection (if any):

Not applicable.

2.2. List the discretionary criteria and explain how they will be used (if any):

Not applicable.
2.3. Provide the name of the committee that will be responsible for making discretionary selections, along with a complete list of the members’ titles currently serving on the committee:

Not applicable.

2.3.1. Specify the process that will be used to identify and handle any potential conflicts of interest involving a member of the committee.

Not applicable.

3. **REMOVAL OF ATHLETES**

3.1. Prior to entry by name to the Local Organizing Committee by the USOC, the NGB has jurisdiction over potential nominees.

An athlete who is to be nominated to the Team by the NGB may be removed for any of the following reasons, as determined by the NGB:

3.1.1. Voluntary withdrawal. Athlete must submit a written letter to the NGB CEO/Executive Director.

3.1.2. Injury or illness as certified by a physician (or medical staff) approved by the NGB. If an athlete refuses verification of his/her illness or injury by a physician (or medical staff) approved by the NGB, his/her injury will be assumed to be disabling and he/she may be removed.

3.1.3. Failure to participate in Mandatory Training and/or Competition as defined in Section 9 of these procedures.

3.1.4. Violation of the U.S. Ski & Snowboard’s Code of Conduct (Attachment A).

An athlete who is removed from the Team pursuant to this provision has the right to a hearing per U.S. Ski & Snowboard’s Bylaws, Article IX Section B and the USOC’s Bylaws, Section 9.

3.2. Once athlete entries have been submitted to the Local Organizing Committee by the USOC, the USOC has jurisdiction over the Team, at which time, in addition to any applicable NGB Code of Conduct, the USOC’s Code of Conduct and Grievance Procedures apply. The USOC’s Code of Conduct and Grievance Procedures can be found at:

http://www.teamusa.org/Athlete-Resources/Athlete-Ombudsman/Resources/Code-of-Conduct

http://www.teamusa.org/Footer/Legal/Governance-Documents
3.3. An athlete may be removed as a nominee to the Team or from the Team for an adjudicated violation of IOC, PASO, IPC, WADA, IF, USADA and/or USOC anti-doping protocol, policies and procedures, as applicable.

4. REPLACEMENT OF ATHLETES

4.1. Describe the selection and approval process for determining replacement athlete(s) should a vacancy occur:

4.1.1. Prior to submission of Entries by Name to the Local Organizing Committee, including any applicable group or committee:

The next-best athlete will be selected ranked by the single best world rank in SL, GS, or SG at the end of the qualification period. Ties will be broken by the single best FIS point result in SL, GS or SG during the YOG qualification period.

4.1.2. After submission of Entries by Name to the Local Organizing Committee, including any applicable group or committee:

The next-best athlete will be selected ranked by the single best world rank in SL, GS, or SG at the end of the qualification period. Ties will be broken by the single best FIS point result in SL, GS or SG during the YOG qualification period.

5. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

US Ski & Snowboard will retain the approved Selection Procedures and all supporting documents, including scouting or evaluation forms, etc., and data from the selection process for six months past the date of the Closing Ceremony of the Games.

6. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

In addition to the USOC Code of Conduct, the following documents are required to be signed by an athlete as a condition of nomination to the Youth Olympic Games and are included as attachments:

- U.S. Ski & Snowboard Code of Conduct (Attachment A)

7. PUBLICITY/DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEDURES

The USOC approved Selection Procedures (complete and unaltered) will be posted/published by the NGB in the following locations:

7.1. NGB Web site: http://www.usskiandsnowboard.org/
These procedures will be posted as soon as possible, but not more than five business
days following notice of approval by the USOC.

8. DATE OF NOMINATION

The Nomination of Athletes form, including replacements, will be announced to all athletes
and submitted to the USOC on or before December 9, 2019.

9. MANDATORY TRAINING AND/OR COMPETITION

Not applicable.

10. ANTI-DOPING REQUIREMENTS

Athletes must adhere to all IOC, IPC, PASO, WADA, IF, USADA and USOC anti-doping
protocols, policies and procedures, as applicable. This includes participation in Out-of-
Competition Testing as required by the IOC, IPC, PASO, WADA, IF, USADA and USOC Rules,
as applicable.

11. DEVELOPMENT OF SELECTION PROCEDURES

The following committee/group (include names and titles) was responsible for creating
these Selection Procedures:

Chip Knight – U.S. Ski & Snowboard Alpine Development Director
Karen Ghent – U.S. Ski & Snowboard Alpine Development Subcommittee Chair
Holly Brooks – USOC Athletes’ Advisory Council Representative

12. NGB BYLAWS AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

US Ski & Snowboard’s Bylaws and Grievance Procedures can be found within Section IX of
the U.S. Ski & Snowboard bylaws at: http://www.usskiandsnowboard.org

13. INTERNATIONAL DISCLAIMER

These procedures are based on IOC and/or FIS rules and regulations as presently known and
understood. Any change in the selection procedures caused by a change in IOC and/or FIS rules
and regulations will be distributed to the affected athletes immediately. The selection criteria
are based on the latest information available to US Ski & Snowboard. However, the selections are
always subject to unforeseen, intervening circumstances, and realistically may not have
accounted for every possible contingency.
If any force of nature, or force majeure, should cause the alteration or cancellation of any of the selection events listed in this document, these selection procedures will be revised, pursuant to their resubmission to the USOC.

14. ATHLETE OMBUDSMAN

Athletes who have questions regarding their opportunity to compete that are not answered by US Ski & Snowboard may contact the USOC Athlete Ombudsman, Kacie Wallace, by:
- Telephone at (719) 866-5000
- Email at Kacie.wallace@usoc.org
- http://www.teamusa.org/Athlete-Resources/Athlete-Ombudsman

15. NGB SIGNATURES

I certify that I have read and understand the standards/criteria set by our IF and/or CF (PAG/PPAG only) and incorporated those standards/criteria into our Selection Procedures. I further certify that the information provided herein regarding Athlete Selection Procedures represents the method approved by US Ski & Snowboard.

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* If the USOC AAC Representative has delegated authority to the Alternate AAC Representative to sign the Selection Procedures, attach a letter from the AAC Representative indicating the reason he/she has delegated authority.

* Signature by the Athlete Representative constitutes that he/she has read and understands the Selection Procedures. If the Athlete Representative reads and does not agree with the Athlete Selection Procedures being submitted by the NGB, he/she may submit those reasons in writing to his/her Sport Performance Team.

* If, for some reason, a sport does not have an elected USOC AAC Representative, the NGB must designate an athlete from that sport to review and sign the Selection Procedures.