



## 2023-24 U.S. Snowboard Halfpipe 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 Halfpipe 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 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 November 1, 2022, and April 30, 2023 (“the selection period”) and the World Ranking as determined by the Halfpipe World Snowboard Points List (WSPL) valid on May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023.
- 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 10 Pro Team athletes and 4 Rookie Team athletes will be nominated using the objective criteria outlined below. If more than 10 Pro Team and 4 Rookie Team athletes qualify under the objective criteria, then athletes will be nominated in order of priority as outlined in Objective Criteria below.
- Athletes who are objectively nominated to the Pro or Rookie Team for the first time will receive a two (2) year team nomination.
- Athletes who achieve the two (2) top three (3) results in World Championships, World Cup, X-Games, Dew Tour, and/or the U.S. Open competition during the selection period will receive a two (2) year nomination.
- Athletes must be willing to commit to and participate in the full U.S. Snowboard Team camp and competition season structure.



Objective Criteria:

**OBJECTIVE NOMINATION CRITERIA HALFPIPE**

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

**PRO TEAM**

Athletes meeting the following objective criteria during the selection period will be selected for the Pro Team. Each qualifying event must be an 800-point Snowboard Halfpipe event or higher.

- Any athlete achieving a win in a Snowboard Halfpipe World Cup, X-Games, or Dew Tour competition.
- Any athlete achieving two (2) top three (3) finishes in Snowboard Halfpipe World cup, X-Games, and/or Dew Tour competitions.
- Any athlete achieving three (3) top- five (5) finishes in Snowboard Halfpipe World Cup, FIS World Championships, X-Games, and/or Dew Tour competitions.
- Top U.S. ranked men and women on the Halfpipe WSPL as of May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Athlete must be ranked Top Twelve (12) for men and Top Ten (10) for women to be nominated.
- The Halfpipe World Snowboard Points List (WSPL) valid on May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023 will be used to nominate athletes meeting the following standard:
  - Year of Birth (YOB) 2004: World Rank of fifteen (15) or better (men) or fifteen (15) or better (women).
  - YOB 2005 - 2007: World Rank of twenty (20) or better (men) or fifteen (15) or better (women).

**ROOKIE TEAM**

Athletes meeting the following objective criteria will be selected to the Rookie Team.

Age eligibility: YOB: 2003-2009

- Any athlete achieving overall Rev Tour Top Three (3).
- Any athlete achieving the overall NorAm cup tour championship.
- Top three (3) U.S. athletes in each gender category on the World Snowboard Points List as of May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Athlete must be ranked top fifty (50) for men and top thirty (30) for women to be nominated.

\*2023 World Junior Snowboard Championships will be held outside of the selection period and will therefore be considered for 2024-25 Team Nomination.

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.

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.