



**SNOWBOARD ONTARIO JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT TEAM SELECTION
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INTRODUCTION:

1. The Junior Development Team consists of those athletes formally named by Snowboard Ontario (SO) and who are then eligible to receive support directly from SO, based on available funding. Athletes named as members of Snowboard Ontario's Junior Development team in the disciplines of Alpine, Halfpipe, Slopestyle & Big Air, Snowboardcross or Para-Snowboard.
2. This *"The Junior Development Team Selection Protocol"* sets out the process of:
 - a. Identifying those athletes who are eligible for selection to the 2017/18 Junior Development Team in all of the snowboard disciplines; Alpine, Halfpipe, Slopestyle & Big Air, Snowboardcross and Para-Snowboard; and
 - b. Determining which athletes shall be offered positions on the 2017-2018 Alpine, Halfpipe, Slopestyle & Big Air, Snowboardcross and Para-Snowboard Junior Development Team.
3. This Junior Development Team Selection Protocol and other Snowboard Ontario Selection Protocols are published on the Snowboard Ontario web site (www.ontariosnowboarders.ca)
4. Athletes eligible for selection to the Junior Development Team are identified, ranked and offered Junior Development Team positions according to SO's formal 'Selection Process' detailed in this document.

TERMS:

5. The following abbreviated terms are used in the Selection Protocol:
 - FIS Federation Internationale de Ski
 - SO Snowboard Ontario
 - CS Canada Snowboard
 - CRL Canadian Ranking List



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- HPP High Performance Program
- CSCP Canadian Snowboard Coaching Program
- LTAD Long Term Athlete Development
- PGS Parallel Giant Slalom
- PSL Parallel Slalom
- SBX Snowboardcross
- SS Slopestyle
- BA Big Air
- HP Halfpipe

GENERAL CONSIDERATION:

6. The Selection Committee will be comprised of the HPP Manager, and the High Performance Committee.
7. The Selection Committee will meet on or before June 1, 2017 to identify and recommend athletes for selection to the Junior Development Team for the 2017-18 season.
8. The Selection Committee's recommendations shall be made on the basis of the athletes's performance during the 2016-17 season.
9. All Junior Development Team athletes' selections are for a one-year period, ending on May 30th, 2018.
10. The maximum number of available positions in the Junior Development Team shall be identified at the outset of the selection process. This number will be based on program constraints of the Junior Development Team, primarily financial.

Note: Due to these constraints, Snowboard Ontario may **not** be able to support the athletes financially.



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11. Athletes ranking based on the selection process will ordinarily determine the order of selection (for available Junior Development Team positions). However, the Snowboard Ontario HPP Management has the right to recommend athletes for selection in an order other than that indicated by the rankings. The grounds for any such recommendations must be set out in detail, and must be in accordance with the document “General Policies High Performance Program” published on www.ontariosnowboarders.ca website.

IDENTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY:

Please note that due to the selection criteria not being released prior to the 2017 National Competitions the requirement of attendance has been removed for 2017-2018.

12. To be eligible for selection to the Junior Development Team, an athlete must:
- a. Be in good standing with Snowboard Ontario
 - b. Ontario must be the athletes’ province of origin/place of residence for the prior 12 months.
 - c. Athletes must be a member of an active club/program with SO or CS, working with a CSCP licensed coach whose training/certification fulfills the needs of the LTAD stage 4-5 athletes
 - d. Athletes must have held a SO membership for the 2016/17 season
 - e. Have participated in a minimum number of events as detailed below based on discipline;
 - Alpine – minimum of two(2) Snowboard Ontario Points Series events in PGS or PSL, the Ontario Provincial Championships in the program year just-concluded.
 - Halfpipe – minimum of the Ontario Provincial Championships
 - Slopestyle & Big Air – minimum of two (2) CRL events with a value of 5 or higher, the Ontario Provincial Championships in the program year just-concluded.
 - Snowboardcross – minimum of two (2) Snowboard Ontario Points Series events, the Ontario Provincial Championships in the program year just-concluded.



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- Para-Snowboard – minimum of two (2) Ontario Provincial Points Series events and Ontario Provincial Championships in the program year just-concluded.

13. Age:

- Slopestyle/Halfpipe: born prior to December 31, 2007 (10) and before December 31, 2005 (12)
- Alpine/Snowboardcross: born prior to December 31, 2004 (13) and before December 31, 2002 (15)
- Para-Snowboard: case by case basis

14. An athlete who does not meet the eligibility criteria set out above may be considered for the selection if she or he meets the conditions of the Exceptional Circumstances provisions set out below.

TEAM STRUCTURE:

15. Snowboard Ontario will name athletes in each of the four (4) Olympic disciplines (Slopestyle & Big Air, Halfpipe, Alpine and Snowboardcross) and one (1) Para-snowboard discipline (Snowboardcross). Genders will be weighted by participation with a minimum of one (1) athlete per discipline per gender (where applicable).

16. A maximum of 30 athletes will be named to the Junior Development Teams, with a maximum of 3 athletes named to the Junior Development Team per discipline per gender.

ATHLETE SELECTION CRITERIA:

17. Slopestyle & Big Air/Halfpipe

- a. Any Ontario athlete who is named to the Canadian National or Junior National Champion will automatically be named to the provincial team
- b. The most current Canadian Ranking List for the respective disciplines as of June 1st, 2017 will be used to determine the ranking order



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18. Alpine/Snowboardcross

- a. Any Ontario athlete who is named the Canadian U15 National Champion will automatically be named to the development team.
- b. Riders will be ranked, within their category and by gender, by first determining their Ontario rank using the Ontario Provincial Overall Series Rank. Each athletes rank will then be divided by the number of participants x 100 to determine their percentage of rank.

19. Para-Snowboard

- a. Any Ontario athlete named Para-Snowboard Provincial Champion will be named to the team
- b. Para-Snowboard athletes will have needed to participate in a minimum of 2 provincial events to be considered

EXCEPTIONAL CONSIDERATIONS:

20. An athlete may be considered for the Development Team if she or he resides outside of the province of Ontario as they attend school, but Ontario remains their primary place of residence. In such circumstances the athlete shall remain eligible for selection.
21. An athlete may be considered for the Development Team if she or he resides outside of the province of Ontario to receive the required level of training not available in Ontario and is out of the province temporarily during the year. (I.e. Due to lack of facilities, coaching, competitions).
22. It may occur that an athlete may, by reason of a health related curtailment of activities or extraordinary circumstance, be unable to participate in the Ontario Provincial Championships. In such circumstances the athlete shall remain eligible for selection.
23. If an athlete chooses not to participate in the most current Ontario Provincial Championships, not by reason of a health related curtailment of activities or extraordinary circumstance, a letter must be sent to the Selection Committee



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prior to the selection date explaining their absents. Each athlete will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis, and in such circumstances the athlete may remain eligible for selection.

24. Para-Snowboard athletes may be waived the requirement of a club membership for the 2017/18 season due to the nature of developing Para-Snowboard programs in the province.

ATHLETIC OBLIGATION:

25. As part of the Snowboard Ontario Development Team athletes will be required to meet the following expectation and obligation.
- a. Participate in a minimum of two (2) fitness testing sessions schedule for Junior Development Team athletes pre and post season. If the athlete is unable to attend the fitness testing session they will be required to submit testing results within two (2) weeks of the scheduled session.
 - b. Participate in any auxiliary training organized and scheduled by SO for the HPP athletes.
 - c. Participate in the minimum number of events required to be eligible for selection to the HPP for the discipline you represent.
 - d. Always act and participate in a respectful and sportsman like manner while representing SO.
 - e. Always wear supplied SO clothing for award ceremonies, podium appearances, and other team appearances as directed by Snowboard Ontario.

APPEALS:

26. Appeals to Snowboard Ontario's Provincial Team Selections may be made by any member of Snowboard Ontario who is materially affected by the selection, and who is a member in good standing. Appeals must be made under SO's Appeals policy which can be found on Snowboard Ontario's website www.ontariosnowboarders.ca.
A non-refundable appeal fee of \$50 shall apply.