

# 2023-2024 SKI NB SELECTION CRITERIA NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

Alpine Canada (ACA) has grouped New Brunswick and PEI together for the purposes of qualifying for certain National and International events

# **National & International Events**

March 28-March 31, 2024 U14 Can-Ams Sugarloaf ME USA

March 20-March 24, 2024 U16 Eastern Regional Osler/Georgian Peaks, ON

Championships

April 10-14, 2024 U16 Whistler Cup Whistler, BC

## Ski NB QUOTA:

This past summer, Alpine Canada decided to shift from a U16 National event to a U16 Regional event – East and West. East will consist of Ontario, Quebec, the four Atlantic provinces and USA. As a result of this shift the quotas for each province have increased.

U14 Can-Am Race Ski NB/PEI Alpine 5 male and 5 female

U16 Easterns Regional Championship Ski NB maximum 10 male and 10 female (PEI has own quota)

U16 Whistler Cup Ski NB/PEI 2 male 2 female

## Ski NB reserves the right to NOT fill the quota spots.

Where gender breakdown is not specified in the quota, Ski NB will endeavor to be equitable by gender, but reserves the right to vary the gender split as deemed necessary to field competitive male and female teams. Should an athlete who has been selected for designated quota for any race be unable to attend due to illness, injury or other unforeseen circumstances, the quota spot left vacant will only be filled by the next eligible athlete on the recommendation of Ski NB, following their consultation with their Coach and the Ski NB Director of Athlete Development. Ski NB reserves the right to not fill all the quota spots.

#### Coaches

Applications due to SkiNB by February 1, 2024. SkiNB committee to announce coaches for all three events at the same time the teams are announced.

# U14 Can-Am, U16 Easterns and U16 Whistler Cup Selection Criteria

Athletes will be ranked by their cumulative current National Points in the following three disciplines: Giant Slalom (GS), Slalom (SL) and Super Giant Slalom (SG) – SL+GS+SG=Total Points. The official national points for each discipline are available on alpinepoints.ca, and this is the only source to be used in calculating points for determining who meets eligibility standards. Updated points can be found at <a href="https://www.alpinepoints.ca">www.alpinepoints.ca</a> each Wednesday following a race. It is the responsibility of the athlete to notify Ski NB of any potential errors in their points totals on alpinepoints.ca, preferably in advance of selection.

# Eligibility for Can-Ams, Eastern Regional Championship and Whistler Cup

- Athletes must be active members in good standing of a New Brunswick Club and Ski NB.
- All athletes must have at least one start in each discipline (SL,GS,SG) on the AAA circuit in 2023-2024 race season over the following qualifying races: Mont Farlange (1 GS, 1 SL), Crabbe (2SG, 2 GS), Wentworth Roland Brunner (2SG, 2GS, 1SL) and Poley (2SL Poley races occur after the CanAms and Easterns selection deadline, so will only be used for Whistler Cup selection, Not U14 CanAms or U16 Easterns). Any other races used in the 2023-24 season to calculate National Points on alpinepoints.ca will not be used to determine qualification, and manual points calculations will be performed to remove any unintended impact of these points on qualification. The only exception is:
  - o Base Points will include all races used by alpinepoints.ca that were attended in previous seasons to determine the base points for each discipline entering the season.
- Athletes wishing to be considered for quota spots must compete in AAA races on a ski length and radius for each discipline that is required by Alpine Canada to compete in National events for their age category. National equipment requirements can be found on alpinecanada.org HERE
- Athletes must meet any additional eligibility criteria established by their respective PSO or the ROC of any races that are used to either contribute to National Point totals or regional/national/international races they wish to qualify for under this document.

## **Selection Criteria**

- For U14 Can Ams, the 5M and 5F athletes with the most combined National Points in the three disciplines will be offered quota spots for this event. One alternative will be named for each gender.
- For the U16 Eastern Regional Championship, the 10M and 10F athletes with the most combined National Points in the three disciplines will be offered quota spots for this event. One alternative will be named for each gender.
- U16 Whistler Cup spots will be based on combined National Points in each of the three disciplines. Spots will be offered to the top 2 athletes in each gender, and alternates will be named if these athletes are not able to attend at the discretion of Ski NB.

## **Cut off deadlines:**

The cut off dates for points accumulations are as follows:

U14 Can-Am February 26, 2024 U16 Eastern Regional February 26, 2024 U16 Whistler Cup March 18, 2024

Announcement of U14 Can-Ams and U16 Easterns teams will be February 28, 2024. Confirmation and receipt of payment is required by March 4, 2024. If a selected athlete declines the invitation or misses payment deadline, a replacement athlete may or may not be named at the discretion of Ski NB.

U16 Athletes interested in being considered for the Whistler Cup should notify the Ski NB Director of Athlete Programs on March 1, 2024. Announcement will be made on March 20, 2024. Confirmation and payment is required by March 23, 2024. If a selected athlete declines the invitation or misses payment deadline, a replacement athlete may or may not be named at the discretion of Ski NB.

If required, seeding at Can-Ams/Easterns events for start positions will be based on National Points in the specific discipline being seeded in accordance with the structure in place by the local ROC. In events that require seeding for Ski Cross, seeding will be based on GS points unless otherwise specified by the ROC.

## **Exceptional circumstances**

Athletes who are training outside of Atlantic Canada or recently moved to the province are eligible to compete at the above noted events with the Ski NB Team. The athlete must meet the same qualifying criteria as those training and racing in Atlantic Canada. Athletes must demonstrate that they have been committed to and involved in ongoing alpine ski training.

Ski NB reserves the right to deal with any exceptional circumstances not specifically provided for in the criteria.

#### **Appeal process**

Any athlete who disagrees with the final selections, may submit a request for reconsideration, in writing, to the Ski NB President within 24 hours of the posting of the final selections. The request will be reviewed by the Ski NB Board. Appeals should explicitly outline where the above criteria were not applied correctly or that there was an error in points calculations.

# **Code of conduct**

All athletes, coaches, volunteers and parents will be responsible for conducting themselves according to the Ski NB Code of Conduct. Failure to do so could result in removal of athlete from Ski NB sanctioned events.

#### Cost

All costs associated with attending any of the events listed are the responsibility of the athletes and their families. Some costs are paid up front, and others will be tabulated and billed after the event.

#### **Goal Setting**

Event coaches, along with athletes' respective club coaches, will meet with each athlete and their parent(s) attending these events to discuss appropriate individualized goal setting, recognizing the increased level of competition expected at these events.

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