





**Canadian Sport Institute
and **Freestyle BC**
Athlete and Coach Nomination Criteria**

Criteria Approved **June 26, 2017**:

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	Signature
Freestyle BC Representative	
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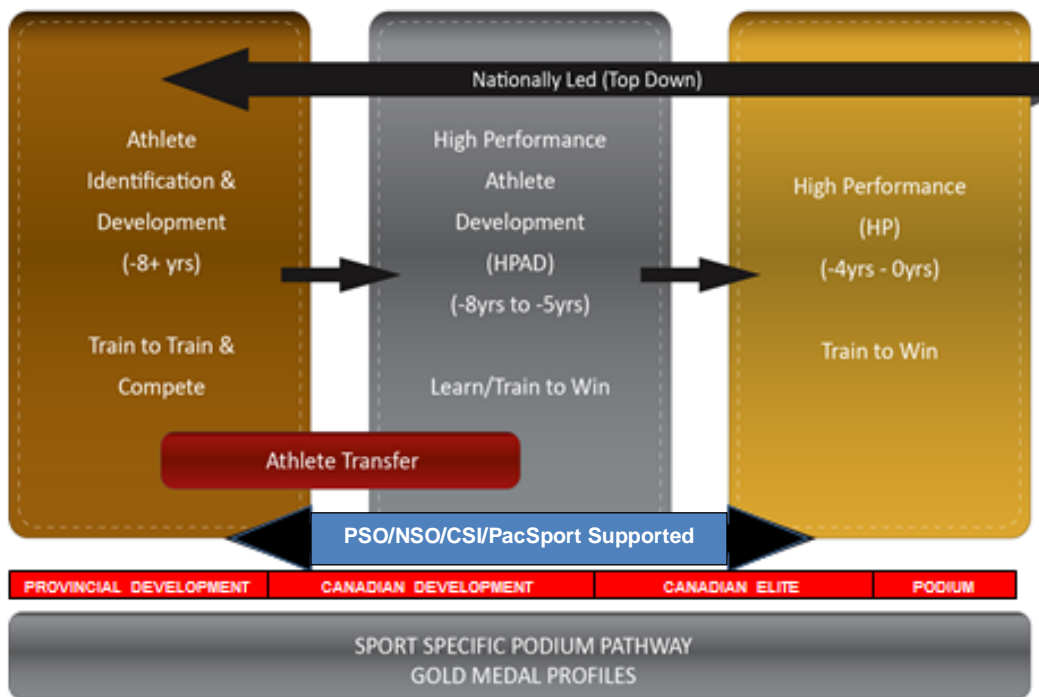
PURPOSE

The Canadian Sport Institute, through a partnership with the Province of BC and ViaSport, the network of PacificSport Centres, and Freestyle BC collaborates to deliver programs and services to place BC Athletes¹ on National Teams, and ensure athletes and coaches have every advantage to win medals for Canada. The partners work jointly to encourage sport excellence and increase podium performances in communities throughout British Columbia.

Canadian Sport Institute / PacificSport athlete and coach support for the Canadian Development and Provincial Development nomination focuses on athletes and teams 5-12 years from the Podium, identified by the sport specific Podium Pathway (see Figure 1 below) and Gold Medal Profile. These athletes and teams represent both the next generation (5-8 years from Podium) and future generations (9-12 years from Podium) of Olympic and Paralympic (or World Championship) medalists. Support may be focussed more toward the future generation (9-12 years from Podium) for some targeted Paralympic sports depending on the quality of the next generation (5-8 years from Podium) of athletes and teams.

Figure 1

PODIUM PATHWAY CONCEPT OVERVIEW



¹ In general a BC athlete is defined as an athlete born, developed, and/or trained/centralized (for a minimum of three months) in British Columbia.

DETAILS

Through the above partnership, and with the above purpose in mind, **Freestyle BC** may nominate athletes and their coaches who meet specific criteria for Canadian Sport Institute / PacificSport athlete or coach registration. Upon registering, athletes and coaches can engage in enhanced programs, benefits, and selected support services through the Canadian Sport Institute and the network of PacificSport regional centres in BC

Canadian Sport Institute and PacificSport athlete support is divided into [four levels](#) based on performance, each with a slate of designated benefits. Please click on the following for an outline of Canadian Sport Institute [Athlete](#) and [Coach](#) generic eligibility, programs, and benefits. Please see Appendix 1 for an outline of **Freestyle BC** targeted athlete benefits, programs, and services as delivered through **Freestyle BC**.

Targeted athletes are nominated by **Freestyle BC** based on the athlete criteria below. Any enquiries regarding the sport-specific selection criteria can be made to info@bcfreestyle.com. As a general principle, all athletes are expected to demonstrate evidence of their ongoing performance progression and tracking toward **Freestyle BC** HP program benchmarks to remain targeted. **Freestyle BC** PSO Technical Representative and the Canadian Sport Institute Athlete Development Advisor working with **Freestyle BC** have the final authority over the Canadian Sport Institute nomination process.

The athlete and coach nomination cycle for Canadian Sport Institute / PacificSport / **Freestyle BC** targeting runs **June 30th** annually, and athletes are selected based on performances from the previous 12 months. Athletes who meet Canadian Development criteria throughout the annual nomination cycle may be added to the **Freestyle BC** targeted athlete list, on a case by case basis, by contacting the PSO Technical Representative.

GENERAL CRITERIA

- 1) For PSO nominations, athletes must be registered and in good standing with Freestyle BC as a competitive athlete and meet the definition of a BC athlete.
- 2) In principle, all athletes nominated should have a designated coach who is responsible for planned programming with the coach(es)'s name and email identified on the targeted athlete list.
- 3) Athletes must have proof of a movement screen or medical assessment in the past calendar year. Please contact Provincial coach for further details.
- 4) Disciplines include moguls, halfpipe, slopestyle and aerials.
- 5) Athlete must have a coach prescribed "Learn to Compete" or "Train to Compete" Yearly Training Plan for the current year on file with the PSO.
- 6) Athlete must attend 80% or greater of all camps, education, IST services and competitions listed in the personal Yearly Training Plan
- 7) Coach's discretion may be applied in the case of injured athletes who have previously been nominated and registered as a targeted athlete in the previous year and who were unable to compete for all or part of the competitive season.

ATHLETE/COACH ENROLMENT

Once the athlete or coach is nominated, he or she will be notified by **Freestyle BC** and will be provided with information on how to register with his or her local Canadian Sport Institute or PacificSport Regional Centre. A Canadian Sport Institute or PacificSport Athlete Coach Services representative may contact the nominated coach to encourage athlete registration. Athletes and coaches must register with their local centre to initiate the process of receiving athlete or coach support.

NOMINATION CRITERIA

Please note the Canadian Sport Institute generic and the **Freestyle BC** sport-specific criteria:

Canadian Development (Equivalent to former level 1, 1a)

Canadian Sport Institute Generic Criteria:

- Athletes who compete on the senior national team in eligible events and who do not receive Sport Canada Athlete Assistance program funding, **OR**;
- Athletes who are in the HP Athlete Development (L2W/T2W) stage of the Podium Pathway – as identified by the NSO (including Gold Medal Profile). If the NSO does not have an approved Podium Pathway, the following criteria will be used:
 - Athletes who have been targeted as 'Hot prospects' defined as the expectation to be selected to the senior national team in eligible events within 24 months which is verified by the NSO.

Freestyle BC Specific Criteria:

Athlete is recognized by the Canadian Freestyle Ski Association as being on the Canadian National Freestyle Ski Team in (Moguls, Halfpipe, Slopestyle and Aerials) and not receiving AAP Funding.

OR

Member of a NextGen or Institute program and not receiving AAP Funding.

Provincial Development – Level 1 (Equivalent to former level 2)

Canadian Sport Institute Generic Criteria:

- Athletes who are in the Athlete Identification & Development stage of the Podium Pathway, as identified by the NSO, and who are tracking towards the HP Athlete Development stage according to the NSO specific Podium Pathway and Gold Medal profile. If the NSO does not have an approved Podium Pathway, the athlete must be tracking towards Canadian Development and meet one of the two criteria below:
 - Have competed at the U23 or Junior World Championships in an eligible event (or equivalent International Developmental Event) in the past 24 months, **OR**;
 - Have won a medal in an eligible event at their Sport Specific National Elite/Open, U23, or U19 Championships (or equivalent level of performance standard) in the previous 24 months.

*Note: Athletes who are eligible for Provincial Development are normally supported for a maximum duration of 5 years (combined Provincial Development Level 1 and Level 2).

Freestyle BC Specific Criteria:

Qualified for a Nor Am final

OR

Podium finish at the Junior National Championships (U19)

OR

The athlete must be in the top 75% of the CFSA "High Performance Program Rankings" List

OR

The athlete must have 2400 or greater Freestyle BC (Mogul) RPA points from the highest four events shown in the last year

OR

The park and pipe athlete must have 2250 or greater Freestyle BC (Park & Pipe) HPP points from the highest four events shown in the last year

OR

The athlete must be in the top 75% of the [CFSA Canada Cup Rankings List](#)

Provincial Development – Level 2 (Equivalent to former level 3)

Canadian Sport Institute / PacificSport Generic Criteria:

- Athletes who are tracking towards Provincial Development (Level 1) status (according to the NSO specific Podium Pathway and Gold Medal profile). If the NSO does not have an approved Podium Pathway, the athlete must meet one of the two criteria below:
 - Competed in an eligible event at the appropriate age group national championships (or equivalent level of performance standard) and/or place within the top 20% at the appropriate age group provincial championships in the previous 12 months, **OR**;
 - Competed for Team BC in Canada Summer Games or Canada Winter Games in the previous 12 months.²

Freestyle BC Specific Criteria:

Represented BC at Junior National Championship in the last 12 months (U16 or U18)

OR

Medal at Junior National Championship (U14)

AND

The athlete must have 1750 or greater Freestyle BC (Mogul) RPA points from the highest four events shown in the last year

OR

The park and pipe athlete must have 1500 or greater Freestyle BC (Park & Pipe) HPP points from the highest four events shown in the last year

AND

Athlete is active in a BC Freestyle recognized “Train to Train” competitive program that delivers a minimum of 30 on snow face to face training days. (Verified by HPD or ED)

Coach Nomination

Canadian Sport Institute / PacificSport Generic Criteria:

Coaches are nominated by having his or her name included in the Targeted Athlete List for an athlete who achieves designated criteria. The PSO may nominate up to two coaches per athlete in cases where a personal coach may have significant impact on the athlete’s training program. While not required, it is highly recommended that PSO nominated coaches meet one of the following criteria:

- Be the lead person designing and implementing an annual training program for the athlete, **OR**;
- Be designated as Provincial or Regional coach by the PSO, **OR**;
- Be designated as a National Development / Senior coach by NSO, **OR**;
- Be designated as athlete’s coach of record based on sport specific criteria below.
 1. Designated as minimum “Can Freestyle Club Coach”
 2. Certification in 6 of the 7 “Can Freestyle Super Coach modules
 3. NCCP Plan a Basic Sport Program + NCCP Nutrition + NCCP Basic Mental Skills

² Recommended that PSOs include “Long listed athletes for upcoming competition at Canada Games, Western Canada Games” in their Sport Specific Criteria.

4. NCCP Developing Athletic Abilities
5. Have a professional development plan approved by the PSO to achieve competition development certification within 12 months.