



# SUPER YOUTH CHALLENGE

## Guidelines and Rules

### Overview

Following is a guide for the BC Super Youth Challenge Series of Freestyle Skiing events. Freestyle BC in partnership with BC registered clubs offer the Super Youth Challenge to provide a meaningful competitive experience for athletes in the learn to train (L2T) stage of the long term athlete development (LTAD) model. The BC Super Youth Challenge aims to increase participation, develop athletes through a meaningful competitive experience, recruit and develop officials and coaches.

It is the policy of Freestyle BC that all participants should be equitably served in terms of the Association's programs, and that all participants should have an equal opportunity to contribute to all aspects of the affairs of the Association. Freestyle BC is committed to reviewing its current programs and services, and taking initiatives to redress any gender imbalances.

Freestyle BC aims to grow and continually improve support to local clubs and organizing committees. The Freestyle BC Events Committee aims to support freestyle skiing events and further develop the sport in the province of BC. The committee will have the ability to amend rules and regulations outlined in this document on an ongoing basis with the mandate to improve and develop the BC Super Youth Challenge event series.

### Format

1. Events are aimed at athletes in the Learn to Train stage of Freestyle Canada's long term athlete development model.
2. The events are focused on introducing athletes to competition and **most importantly FUN**.
3. Athletes should be in a Freestyle Canada recognized Jumps & Bumps or Freestylerz program.



4. The BC Super Youth Challenge is operated by local organizing committees from local Freestyle BC registered clubs.
5. The Freestyle BC Events Committee oversees the Super Youth Challenge series of events and will have the ability to have final decision on any matters related to the Super Youth Challenge series of events.
6. Freestyle BC has adopted superseding rules and regulations for the BC Super Youth Challenge, which are outlined in this document. In all other circumstances the BC Timber Tour guidelines shall first apply.
7. All BC Super Youth Challenge competitions will use the standard Freestyle Canada age categories breakdown. Age is determined as of January 1st of the current competition season:
  - a. U8 (under 8 years old) – Male and Female
  - b. U10 (Ages 8 – 9 ) – Male and Female
  - c. U12 (Ages 10 – 11) – Male and Female
8. Super Youth Challenge athletes will be recognized and presented with medals after each event.
  - a. No overall ranking or ongoing series totals will be kept for Super Youth events.
  - b. Medals will be issued for athletes reaching the podium in each age category.
9. The format of the event can be modified to provide the best opportunity for athlete development and learning. The focus is a meaningful competitive experience and most importantly FUN.

## **Inverted Aerials**

1. Inverted and/or off axis maneuvers are not permitted in BC Super Youth Challenge events.

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## Competition Eligibility

1. BC Super Youth Challenge competitions are open to all athletes that demonstrate minimum skills recommended by their certified Freestyle Canada coach.
2. All participants must be members in good standing with Freestyle BC.
3. Participants must have a minimum of a Club Athlete license.

## Event Registration and Fees

1. Registration must be done online at [freestylebc.ski](http://freestylebc.ski) for all Super Youth Challenge events.
2. Online registration will be available until 72 hours before the start of the event.
  - a. Athletes may be permitted to late register at the event venue if space is available.
  - b. An additional fee of \$35 will be collected by the organizing committee for athletes that are permitted to register late.
3. Entry fee maximum will be \$100;
  - i. The organizing committee can reduce the entry fees at their discretion.
  - ii. Freestyle BC will retain 5% of the total entry fees collected during registration to offset credit card processing costs. The balance will be passed on to the local organizing committee.
    1. \$95 per athlete to the organizing committee.



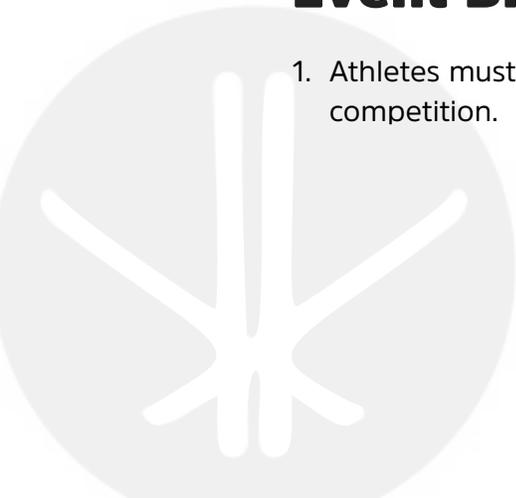
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c. Refunds

- i. The organizing committee has the ability to adopt or modify the standard refund policy;
  1. Refund due to cancellation
    - a. If a competition is cancelled, \$30CDN shall be refunded to each athlete registered for that event. An athlete shall receive a maximum refund of \$30CDN per competition event if he/she is registered in more than one event that is cancelled. If an event is rescheduled at another venue, \$30CDN will be charged to the participating athletes.
  2. Refund due to injury
    - a. A registered athlete who withdraws from an event before the generation of the start list will receive a refund of 50% of their entry fee. Athletes that appear on the official start list for an event will not be given a refund. No refunds will be given without a written request received no later than 7 days after the completion of the last event day.
- ii. The 5% transaction cost is fixed and cannot be refunded under any circumstances.

## Event Bibs

1. Athletes must wear their assigned bib for all official training and competition.



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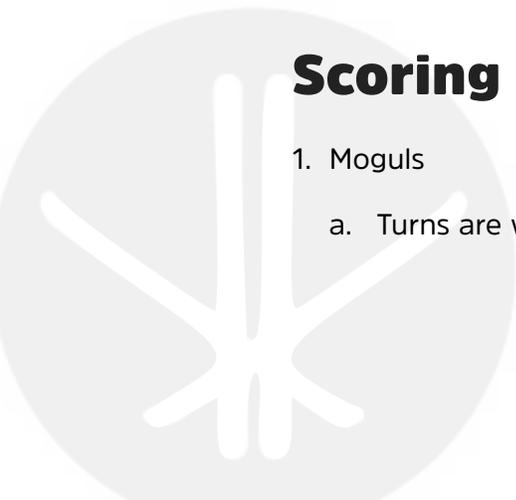
2. Athletes must wear their assigned bib when being recognized at the awards ceremony.
3. Bibs are the official property of Freestyle BC and cannot be modified or altered.
4. Athletes will be assigned a bib for the duration of the event.
5. Bibs will be issued with a \$20 bib deposit that is refundable upon returning the bib to the competition office.

## **Judges**

1. The Freestyle BC Head Judge will assign a head judge for each Super Youth Challenge event.
  - a. The assigned Head Judge will be responsible for recruiting judges for the Super Youth Challenge event.
2. BC Super Youth events must have a minimum of 4 judges. 3 scoring judges and 1 head judge.
3. Judges must have a current membership with Freestyle BC in order to meet the Freestyle Canada event sanctioning requirements.
  - a. Head judges should hold a major official license.
  - b. Scoring judges must have a minimum Associate level membership.
4. Recruiting and developing judges is a priority for the Super Youth Challenge Series of events.
  - a. The head judge may select the panel to provide the best training environment possible.

## **Scoring**

1. Moguls
  - a. Turns are worth 75% of the overall score.



- i. 3 judges score out of 10 based on the following criteria;
  - 1. Body Position
  - 2. Carving
  - 3. Absorption and Extension (Pressure Control)
  - 4. Fall Line
- b. Air is worth 25% of the overall score.
  - i. 1 judge scores out of 10 based on the following criteria;
    - 1. Amplitude
    - 2. Landing
    - 3. Execution
  - c. Mogul events may be timed at the Super Youth Challenge. The time will not be computed as part of the score but may be used by the turn judges to evaluate the criteria.

## 2. Slopestyle, Halfpipe and Big Air

- a. 3 judges score based on overall impression out of 100.
- b. The scores are averaged to determine the athlete's overall score out of 100.
- c. Athletes are scored based on the following criteria;
  - i. Execution
  - ii. Variety
  - iii. Combinations
  - iv. Amplitude



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# Super Youth Challenge Event Rules

1. Freestyle BC has adopted superseding rules and regulations for the BC Super Youth Challenge, which are outlined in this document. In all other circumstances the BC Timber Tour guidelines shall first apply.
2. Competitors must come to a controlled complete stop in the finish area in each event. Failure to do so will result in a DNF (Did not Finish) result.
3. All competitors must wear a helmet when training or in competition.
  - a. A mouthguard is highly recommended but not mandatory.



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