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SELECTION CRITERIA

2022 BC WINTER GAMES

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The goal of **Freestyle BC** is to work with the **BC Winter Games Society** to promote and facilitate a multi-sport event for British Columbia's Youth to enhance sports development across the province. The purpose of the BC Winter Games (BCWG) is:

- To provide a competitive opportunity for developing athletes in the Learn to Train and Train to Train phases of the LTAD or Sport for Life's Long Term Development Stages.
- To motivate British Columbians to achieve a higher level of physical fitness and mental well-being.
- To assist athletes with the interest and ability to work toward their maximum potential
- To provide competition that will serve the developmental needs for each sport throughout British Columbia.
- To showcase the talents of British Columbians through sport.
- To develop the cultural and social components as an enhancement to the Winter Games in British Columbia.
- To provide each hosting community with a legacy of experienced volunteers and upgrade facilities



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2022 BC Winter Games | Disciplines and Events

- Moguls | Two runs, best-run counts
- Slopestyle | Two runs, best-run counts
- Big Air | Three jumps, best two jumps count
- Combined | Results averaged from all three disciplines
- All BC Winter Games competitors will compete in all three events

Age Categories & Medals:

- U14: athletes must be 12 - 13 years of age as of January 1, 2022
- U16: athletes must be 14 - 16 years of age as of January 1, 2022
- U18: athletes must be 17 - 18 years of age as of January 1, 2022

**U18 age category is a one-time Games addition for the 2022 BC Winter Games to account for the missed development opportunity due to our absence at the 2020 BC Winter Games*



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ELIGIBILITY

Athlete

To be eligible for selection to the BC Winter Games an athlete must:

- Have an active provincial membership with Freestyle Canada and Freestyle BC indicating that they are part of a registered club in the Province.
- Be registered in a Freestyle BC club program.
- Have no outstanding debt with the PSO or LSO.
- Athletes may attend two BC Winter Games, provided that in their first games they compete in the Learn to Train (U14) category, and at their second games they compete in the Train to Train (U18) category.
- Athletes who have reached a Canada Cup final are not eligible to participate in the 2022 BC Winter Games.

Coach

All head coaches must be **minimum** Fundamentalz Trained and **one** of the following: Skiing Skills Module; Moguls Module; Air Modules 1, 2, 3, and 4; Park & Pipe module, **Evaluated / Qualified**. All assistant coaches must be minimum Fundamentalz Trained. All adult supervisors must successfully complete: **Making Ethical Decisions** module and **SafeSport** module.

SELECTION PROCESS

The eligible qualifier events for the next BC Winter Games will be determined in accordance with the final events schedule for the 2021-2022 competition season. The Timber Tour results will be weighted at 65%; regional events will be weighted at 50%. Each regional event results sheet needs to be submitted to the PSO by January 21, 2021.

PSO BC Games RPA Ranking list - The athletes top two results will be used to determine rankings. Results can come from the disciplines of moguls, slopestyle and/or big air.

Each zone is given (4) four spots – two (2) males and two (2) females. The best skiers based upon the most current ranking will be selected for the team within each zone. The PSO will work with each zone to determine the most viable venues to qualify. Age categories will not be factored in. All athletes are expected to participate in all disciplines of our sport.



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Wildcard Policy – After all the "zone spots" are allocated wildcard spots will be allocated using the "PSO BC Games RPA ranking list". Wildcard spots will be issued in order of highest to lowest until all spots are allocated.

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Eligibility of BC Games Competitors

- Competitors shall be open to British Columbians whose major domicile has been the province of BC for a period of (6) months prior to the Games, with the following exceptions:
 - o Students residing in BC but studying outside the province are eligible to qualify.
 - o Members and dependents of members of the Canadian Armed Forces residing in BC, who have been posted to a location within BC for a minimum of six (6) months, are eligible to qualify.
 - o Athletes residing at an address outside the Province of BC but are members for Freestyle BC are eligible for the BC Winter Games if they meet both of the following conditions:
 - They reside near the BC boundary and associate primarily with a BC Club for club training / competition;
 - They are not registered to compete in any other province, and are in good standing with Freestyle BC

The PSO and the BC Winter Games Society must approve teams and individuals in the above situations, before entering zone qualifications.

- The Provincial Sport Association must approve all athletes competing in the Games.
- Affiliation at the zone and provincial level is required. Athletes must have minimum FC Club Membership license membership.
- Athletes who have competed in the Canada Games are ineligible to compete in the BC Winter Games in the same sport.
- Each athlete may participate in only ONE sport at the BC Winter Games.

Games Registration Fee and Deadline

- All zone team competitors, who qualify to compete at the 2022 BC Winter Games (excluding coaches and chaperones), must pay the individual registration fee of \$250. This fee will offset the costs related to transportation accommodations, meals, zone identification vests, medals, athlete entertainment and sports competitions.
- All athletes, coaches and chaperones who will attend the 2022 BC Winter Games will be required to complete waivers and register online by January 23, 2022

Coaches & Chaperones

- All coaches and chaperones must be at least eighteen (18) Years old by the start of the BC Winter Games
- One head coach and one assistant coach (one of each gender) per zone. Large zone teams (from wildcard athletes) are permitted to bring one additional coach or adult supervisor up to a maximum of 20 adults (coaches or adult supervisors). Provincial Advisor to approve extra assistant coach or adult supervisor.

APPEALS

Any Freestyle BC member may appeal any decision in good standing. Appeals must be conducted in accordance with the [Appeals Policy](#) established by Freestyle BC.

GENERAL

Issues not otherwise covered by this document are subject to the decision of the Executive Director of Freestyle BC, in consultation with the HP Committee.

COVID-19 CONSIDERATIONS

Due to the limited availability of competitive opportunities in the 2020-2021-winter season, certain amendments may need to be applied. Freestyle BC and the BC Winter Games Society must approve any request for adjustments.