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**BC PROVINCIAL SLOPESTYLE TEAM PROGRAM 2017-2018  
SELECTION PROTOCOL: May 1, 2017**

**INTRODUCTION:**

1. The BC Provincial Slopestyle Team Program consists of those athletes who have been named to represent BC as a BC Provincial Slopestyle Team member.
2. The athletes named to the BC Provincial Slopestyle Team Program will continue to train with sanctioned Clubs, under the direction of its certified coaches; and receive support from BC Snowboard as member of the BC Provincial Slopestyle Team Program.
3. This BC Provincial Slopestyle Team Program Selection Protocol sets out the process of identifying athletes who are eligible for selection to the BC Provincial Slopestyle Team Program for 2017-2018.
4. This BC Provincial Slopestyle Team Selection Protocol and other BC Snowboard Selection Protocols are published on the BC Snowboard Association website: [www.bcsnowboard.com](http://www.bcsnowboard.com).

**TERMS:**

5. The following abbreviated terms are used in the Selection Protocol:  

FIS:	Federation Internationale de Ski
CRL:	Canadian Ranking List
BCSB:	BC Snowboard Association
CS:	Canada Snowboard Federation
CSCP:	Canadian Snowboard Coaching Program
LTAD:	Long Term Athlete Development
NextGen:	National NextGen Team
YTP:	Yearly Training Plan
AAP:	Athlete Assistance Program

**GENERAL CONSIDERATION:**

6. The BC Provincial Slopestyle Team Program recommendations shall ordinarily be made on the basis of the athletes' performance during the just-concluded season, in accordance with the procedures detailed in this document.

**GENERAL CONSIDERATION (continued):**

7. All BC Provincial Slopestyle Team Program selections are for a one-year period only.
8. The number of athletes selected for the BC Provincial Slopestyle Team Program is based on:
  - a) Determination of team size for the 2017-2018 season;  
and
  - b) BC Snowboard's ability to run the Program (ie financial).

**IDENTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY:**

9. To be eligible for selection to the BC Provincial Slopestyle Team Program, an Athlete must:
  - a) Have held a BCSB membership for the 2016-2017 season;
  - b) Be in good standing with BC Snowboard Association and purchase his/her 2017-2018 BCSB membership prior to participating in the first Camp;
  - c) British Columbia must be the athlete's province of origin/place of residence for the prior 12 months;
  - d) Athlete must be a current member of a BC Snowboard sanctioned club/program with BCSB/CS, and be working with a CSCP certified coach whose training/certification fulfills the needs of the LTAD stage 4-5 athletes;
  - e) Athlete must be involved in a year round training environment lead by a Comp Dev trained coach. Factors included within this environment will be a S/C program and on snow training. Training should follow the CS LTAD training recommendations and documented within the athletes personal YTP. This will be evaluated by the BC Sport Development Coordinator;
  - f) Athlete is expected to have participated in the 2016-2017 BC Snowboard Provincial Championships (Ride On Snowboard Series), barring extraordinary circumstances. Extraordinary circumstances must be explained by the athlete if requested;
  - g) Athletes cannot be current members of the CS National Team Program.
10. The Athlete must be between the ages of 11 and 16 years old as of December 31, 2017.

**TEAM STRUCTURE:**

11. The number of athletes named to the BC Provincial Slopestyle Team Program will be based on the criteria set out herein, and the ability of BC Snowboard to support those athletes.

**ATHLETE SELECTION CRITERIA:**

12. Following the CS pathway and LTAD, the following criteria has been set for selection to the BC Provincial Slopestyle Team Program:
  - a) The Canadian Ranking List for Slopestyle as of May 1, 2017 will be used to determine ranking order:
    - Male Athletes: must be within the top 75 on the CRL;
    - Female Athletes: must be within the top 40 ranked on the CRL.

**ATHLETE REQUIREMENTS:**

13. All athletes selected to the BC Provincial Slopestyle Team Program are required to attend the Provincial Fitness Testing.
14. All athletes selected to the BC Provincial Slopestyle Team Program:
  - a) Agree to fulfill the training and competitive schedule (YTP) provided by your coach to BC Snowboard;
  - b) Agree to attend all BC Provincial Slopestyle Team Program ancillary programming;
  - c) Agree to attend BC Snowboard Provincial Championships for the 2017-2018 season;
  - d) Agree to attend Canada's National Championships for the 2017-2018 season.

**ATHLETE SUPPORT:**

15. All athletes selected to the BC Provincial Slopestyle Team Program shall receive the following support:
  - a) Be nominated\* by BC Snowboard as a Provincial athlete to the Canadian Sport Institute Athlete List, which provides:
    - Gym Pass
    - other benefits through Canadian Sport Institute listed here:  
<http://www.csipacific.ca/athletes/benefits/>
  - \*Note final decision of Athlete List is confirmed by Canadian Sport Institute
  - b) Assistance provided to your coach as needed, such as building the Athlete YTP;
  - c) Other ancillary support as it becomes available.

**EXCEPTIONAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

16. Should the Athlete be unable to attend either the Provincial or National Championships he/she is required to notify the BC Snowboard Sport Development Coordinator in writing **at least 1 week prior to the event** as to the reasons they are unable to attend. Not fulfilling the requirements of this agreement may make the athlete ineligible for future BC Provincial Slopestyle Team Program benefits.
17. BC Snowboard may, at any time, require an athlete who appears, by reason of a health related curtailment of activities, to be unable to participate in training or competition activities to obtain a medical assessment conducted by a BC Snowboard recognized doctor or other health support practitioner. The medical assessment is for the purpose of confirming the degree of the athlete's ability to compete and to determine the expected timeline for the athlete's recovery.
18. It may occur that an athlete may, by reason of a health related curtailment of activities or extraordinary circumstances, be unable to participate in the minimum number of events in the program year just ended. In such circumstances the athlete's eligibility for selection shall be reviewed on the basis of his or her projected medical rehabilitation as well as such other information (results, video, coaches' assessments, etc.) as may be available to the BC Snowboard Sport Development Coordinator.

**SELECTION COMMITTEE:**

19. The Selection Committee for the BC Provincial Slopestyle Team Program shall consist of:
  - a) BC Snowboard Executive Director
  - b) BC Snowboard Sport Development Coordinator
  - c) BC Snowboard Board Member.

**APPEALS:**

20. Any person wishing to appeal a BC Snowboard selection decision must do so in accordance with the BC Snowboard Appeals Policy, which policy can be found at [www.bcsnowboard.com](http://www.bcsnowboard.com).

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