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## BC PROVINCIAL SNOWBOARD CROSS TEAM 2025-2026

### SELECTION PROTOCOL

June 1, 2024

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#### INTRODUCTION

1. The BC Provincial Snowboard Cross Team Selection Protocol is designed to outline team selection for the BC Provincial Snowboard Cross Team for the 2025-2026 season.
2. BC Snowboard Association attempts to be fair and equitable in all manner of business. This Selection Protocol is created to ensure there is a fair practice of identifying athletes eligible for the BC Provincial Snowboard Cross Team.
3. BC Snowboard defines high performance as a sport program that aims to develop athletes through the LTAD pathway from train to train up to train to win stages. Competing at the FIS level to World Cup events. At these stages coaching and IST service support shall be provided to help the athletes achieve success.

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#### TERMS

4. The following abbreviated terms are used in this Selection Protocol:
  - a) BCSB: BC Snowboard Association
  - b) CS: Canada Snowboard Federation
  - c) LTAD: Long Term Athlete Development
  - d) PTSA: Provincial or Territorial Snowboard Association
  - e) SBX: Snowboard Cross

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#### GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

5. The BC Provincial Snowboard Cross Team Program recommendations shall ordinarily be made on the basis of the athlete's performance during the just-concluded season, in accordance with the procedures outlined in this document.
6. All BC Provincial Snowboard Cross Team selections are for a one-year period only (May 1, 2025 to April 30, 2026).
7. The number of athletes selected for the BC Provincial Snowboard Cross Team is based on:
  - a) determination of team size for the 2025-2026 season;  
and
  - b) BC Snowboard's ability to run a Provincial Program (ie financial).

8. Current BC Snowboard Cross Provincial Team athletes who qualify for Team Selection will ordinarily be offered priority spots within the BC Snowboard Cross Provincial Team.
9. New athletes will be offered spots within the BC Snowboard Cross Provincial Team based on the BC Provincial Team Coach assessment of the athlete.
10. Athletes selected for the BC Snowboard Cross Provincial Team MUST confirm his/her spot within 30 days of being offered a position on the Team.

## IDENTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY

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11. **BC Athletes** - To be eligible for the Selection Process to the BC Provincial Snowboard Cross Team, a BC athlete must:
  - a) be a Canadian citizen;  
and
  - b) be between the ages of 13 and 22 at December 31, 2025 (for new athletes). Athletes between the ages of 13 and 16 will be evaluated through BC Team talent ID camps and Team Coach evaluation at Provincial Series events;  
and
  - c) be a current BC Snowboard Compete member;  
and
  - d) be a current member of the BC Provincial Snowboard Cross Team;  
or  
have competed in a BC Snowboard Provincial Series Snowboard Cross event or FIS level in the 2024-2025 season.
12. **Out of Province Athletes** - To be eligible for the Selection Process to the BC Provincial Snowboard Cross Team, an athlete from outside the Province of BC must provide a letter of interest to BC Provincial Snowboard Cross Team Head Coach (email: [christophernak@hotmail.com](mailto:christophernak@hotmail.com)) prior to April 15, 2025.

## SELECTION PROCESS

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13. An athlete will be selected to the BC Provincial Snowboard Cross Team based on assessment of the following throughout the just concluded season:
  - a) Technical abilities
  - b) Behavioral aspects
  - c) Commitment to long-term athlete development
  - d) The athlete's relation to the LTAD Model
    - see LTAD at <http://www.canadasnowboard.ca/en/dev/ltad/>
    - (contact [admin@bcsnowboard.com](mailto:admin@bcsnowboard.com) for password to LTAD)
  - e) Race results from previous seasons
  - f) Athlete technical and tactical evaluation done by BC Provincial Team Coaches
  - g) Ability to be ready for the demands of the specific BC Provincial Snowboard Cross Team training environment.

14. The eligibility of a current BC Provincial Snowboard Cross Team athlete to continue with the program is based on his/her individual assessment in the following areas:
- a) Strength and Conditioning testing results and progression
  - b) Attitude
  - c) Participation – Training
  - d) Participation – Events
  - e) Progression - Training
  - f) Progression – Events
  - g) Results – BC Snowboard Provincial Events
  - h) Results – NorAm Events

## **APPROVAL AND APPEAL PROCESS**

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15. Final decisions on the selection of athletes to be offered BC Provincial Snowboard Cross Team positions shall be made by the Executive Director of BC Snowboard, on the basis of recommendations from the Provincial Team Coaches.
16. Issues not otherwise addressed by this Selection Protocol shall be resolved by the Executive Director of BC Snowboard, in consultation with the Provincial Team Coaches.
17. Any decision relating to the selection or operation of the BC Provincial Snowboard Cross Team may be appealed by any member of BC Snowboard Association who is materially affected by that decision, and who is a member in good standing.
18. Appeals must be conducted in accordance with the BC Snowboard Association Appeal Policy, which is available on the BC Snowboard website at: ([www.bcsnowboard.com](http://www.bcsnowboard.com)).

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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