



2024-25 MOGUL TEAM NOMINATION CRITERIA

ELIGIBILITY FOR CONSIDERATION

U.S. Ski and Snowboard will consider for selection only those U.S. Ski and Snowboard members in good standing who have a valid U.S. passport, a valid USA-coded FIS license, and who meet FIS minimum eligibility standards.

An athlete shall be ineligible for consideration if previously suspended or removed from team membership without being reinstated by U.S. Ski and Snowboard. An athlete who has previously declined an offer of team membership shall not be automatically offered team membership unless that athlete specifically requests consideration and the U.S. Ski and Snowboard Mogul Head Coach approves the request.

The U.S. Ski Team will select only the most qualified athletes with the greatest possibilities for winning medals in future World Championship and Olympic Winter Games competitions.

Athletes must demonstrate a capability to adhere to U.S. Ski and Snowboard Values and Code of Conduct to be eligible for nomination.

CRITERIA GUIDELINES

- The Freestyle Sport Director is responsible for applying the selection criteria herein, subject to the oversight of the U.S. Ski & Snowboard Chief of Sport.
- Objective selections shall be based on the results achieved by athletes in FIS competitions between December 2, 2023, and April 30, 2024 (“the selection period”).
- Discretionary nominations, if any, may be based on various factors, including competitions outside the selection period.
- Team status does not guarantee U.S. Ski and Snowboard funding for competition or preparation.
- No minimum team size will be established.
- A maximum of sixteen (16) total athletes may be nominated, with a maximum of ten (10) A Team athletes using the objective criteria outlined below.
- Athletes will be nominated in the order of the listed objective criteria below until the maximum team size is reached.
- Athletes must be willing to commit to and participate in the full U.S. Ski Team camp and competition season structure.

OBJECTIVE CRITERIA

A Team

Athletes meeting the following objective criteria during the selection period, which are listed in order of priority, may be selected for the A Team within the maximum team size limits outlined below.

- Any athlete achieving a win in a Mogul (MO) World Cup or Dual Mogul (DM) World Cup competition.



- Any athlete achieving two (2) top three (3) results in a MO or DM World Cup competition.
- Any athlete achieving a combination of two (2) top six (6) results in MO and/or top four (4) results in DM World Cup competition.

Rookie Team

Athletes meeting the following objective criteria during the selection period, which are listed in order of priority, may be selected for the Rookie Team within the maximum team size limits outlined below.

- An athlete who meets the objective criteria for the A team but is not nominated to the A team based on max team size
- NorAm Overall MO/DM Champion
- An athlete achieving one (1) top eight (8) World Cup result plus one (1) top sixteen (16) World Cup results
- An athlete achieving three (3) top sixteen (16) World Cup results
- The MO or DM NorAm Champion
 - Ties are broken by utilizing Overall NorAm MO/DM Standings
- Any athlete with two (2) cumulative podiums at National Championships and/or Junior Worlds

DISCRETIONARY SELECTION POLICY

U.S. Ski & Snowboard may select additional athletes to the team using Coach's Discretion based upon factors other than the objective criteria. If the coaching staff selects any team nominations with discretionary selections, then the staff may consider any factors, including (but not limited to) the following:

- Illness or injury during the selection period that interferes with the athlete's ability to meet objective criteria.
- Indication of medal potential in future Olympic and World Championship competitions, which would be materially enhanced by selection to the team.

Renomination of any named team athlete by discretion will be based on objective performance benchmarks within the individualized Athlete Plan that exists for all named team athletes as established by U.S. Ski & Snowboard Staff.

ATHLETE INJURY CLAUSE

Any athlete objectively named to the team and sustaining a season-ending injury (as declared by the High Performance Director) before February 1st will be re-nominated to their current team for the subsequent season. In certain exceptional cases, due to severe injury, certain athletes may be granted a two-year re-nomination to give them time to return to peak performance. Such two-year re-nomination will be communicated to the athlete before the beginning of the selection period of the second year. Any athletes sustaining an injury after February 1st who have not made objective criteria will be subject to a discretionary selection, which is not guaranteed. In this circumstance, the ranking at the time of injury will be



considered in the decision for discretionary selection.

To retain current team status, an injured athlete must follow the prescribed rehabilitation or medical program along with an approved return to performance on snow progression as approved by U.S. Ski & Snowboard High Performance, the Freestyle Sport Director, and the Head Coach. Travel funding, team re-integration, and trip inclusion will be based upon passing Return to Performance tests and sport-specific competitive form as determined by the U.S. Ski & Snowboard medical, high performance, and coaching staff.

IN-SEASON PROMOTION

Athletes will not be promoted in-season. No athletes will be demoted during the season; however, funding may be suspended at any time if progress or commitment is inconsistent with the team program and the athlete does not remain in good standing.

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