



## 2023-24 MOGUL WORLD CUP SELECTION CRITERIA

### ELIGIBILITY FOR CONSIDERATION

U.S. Ski & Snowboard will consider for selection only those U.S. Ski & 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.

U.S. Ski & Snowboard provides an equal opportunity to amateur athletes, coaches, trainers, managers, administrators, and officials to participate in amateur athletic competition without discrimination based on race, color, religion, age, sex, gender identity, or national origin, and with fair notice and opportunity for a hearing before declaring any such individual ineligible to participate.

### CRITERIA GUIDELINES

- U.S. Ski & Snowboard policy mandates that team selection criteria be principally objective (or performance-based).
- The Freestyle Sport Director is responsible for applying the selection criteria set forth herein.
- The team selected by U.S. Ski & Snowboard may consist of any number of athletes up to the FIS World Cup quota for the United States.
- The FIS sets the quota of start rights per nation annually and is subject to change.
- Any change to the quota of start rights per nation could result in a revision of these criteria.
- Only Athletes who meet the minimum FIS eligibility requirements of 50 FIS points will be considered for World Cup entry.

### EVENTS: ALL 2023-24 WORLD CUP MO AND DM EVENTS

#### Personal World Cup Starts

##### *Continental Cup Winner*

From each Continental Cup Standings, the highest ranked competitor (per gender and within their event) from the host Continent will be provided an additional personal quota spot that can be entered into the FIS World Cup. For moguls, the Overall winners will get the spot. These competitors will be the previous season winners according to the respective Continental Cup Moguls/Dual Moguls standings.

**Continental Cup Winner(s)** – Alli Macuga

#### Nation Quota

##### *MOGULS/DUAL MOGULS:*

Max five (5) per gender plus one (1) World Cup Organizer Start = 11 Total

Athletes will be selected for World Cup start positions using the following system. Additional start positions will be allocated to Coach's Discretion until the quota is filled. U.S. Ski & Snowboard will



determine the specific gender totals up to the eleven (11) athletes total/max (6) six per gender quota allocation.

### Events

#### **Comp Period 1:**

**Ruka, FIN - Idre Fjäll, SWE - Alpe D'Huez, FRA - Bakuriani, GEO - Val St. Côme, CAN**

**Criteria #1** Top three (3) men & three (3) women from the 2024 FIS Mogul Base List

#### **Men**

NICK PAGE  
COLE MCDONALD  
DYLAN WALCZYK

#### **Women**

ELIZABETH LEMLEY  
JAELEN KAUF  
OLIVIA GIACCIO

**Criteria #2** Remaining quota allocation (not already qualified from the above criteria) may be selected based on Coach's Discretion. Discretionary positions may be considered on an event-by-event basis. If Coach's Discretion isn't utilized, then the next ranked athletes, by gender, on the 2024 FIS Mogul Base List may be selected. If Coach's Discretion isn't utilized, and there is a ranking tie for any quota position, the tie will be broken as follows:

- Best Moguls World Cup ranking from the 2022-23 season, as of 3/21/23
- Best World Cup result from the 2022-23 season
- If still tied, then Coach's Discretion shall be used

### Events

#### **Comp Period 2: Waterville Valley, USA - Deer Valley, USA**

**Criteria #1** Top three (3) men & three (3) women from the 7<sup>th</sup> FIS Mogul Points List 2023-24.

**Criteria #2** Remaining quota allocation (not already qualified from the above criteria) may be selected based on Coach's Discretion. Discretionary positions may be considered on an event-by-event basis. If Coach's Discretion isn't utilized, the next ranked athletes in the top 20 by gender on the 7th FIS Mogul Points List 2023-24 may be selected. If an athlete rank is outside the top 20, the remaining spots will be determined by the athletes' two best results via World Cup rule 1.7 World Cup Points 1.7.1 Points Breakdown (also listed in Continental Cup rule 7) from the following events:

- March 2023 U.S. National Championships Moguls
- March 2023 U.S. National Championships Dual Moguls
- March 2023 Jr World Championship Moguls
- March 2023 Jr World Championships Dual Moguls
- December 2023 U.S. Selection Moguls
- December 2023 U.S. Selection Dual Moguls



\*\*Qualifying results can include:

- A max of one U.S. National Championships result
- A max of one Jr World Championships result
- A max of one dual moguls result

If Coach's Discretion isn't utilized, and there is a ranking tie for any quota position, the tie will be broken as follows:

- Best World Cup result from the 2022-23 season
- Best Moguls FIS ranking from the current 2022-23 season
- Best U.S. Selections result from the 2022-23 season
- If still tied, then Coach's Discretion shall be used

### **Host Nation Quota**

*MOGULS/DUAL MOGULS:*

Max three (3) per gender = six (6) total

Each nation hosting a World Cup can fill the host nation's quota. Athletes will be selected for World Cup start positions using the following system. Additional start positions will be allocated to Coach's Discretion until the quota is filled. U.S. Ski & Snowboard will determine the specific gender totals of up to six (6) athletes total/max three (3) per gender quota allocation.

### **Host Nation Quota**

**Events: Waterville Valley, USA - Deer Valley, USA**

**Criteria #1** Athletes who meet the FIS criteria for entry (50 FIS points) will be chosen for the Waterville Valley and Deer Valley World Cup start positions using the process as follows:

The top two (2) men & two (2) women not already qualified from the above criteria will be selected based on the athlete's two best results via World Cup rule 1.7 World Cup Points 1.7.1 (Points Breakdown also listed in Continental Cup rule 7) from the following events:

- March 2023 U.S. National Championships Moguls
- March 2023 U.S. National Championships Dual Moguls
- March 2023 Jr World Championship Moguls
- March 2023 Jr World Championships Dual Moguls
- December 2023 U.S. Selection Moguls
- December 2023 U.S. Selection Dual Moguls

\*\*Qualifying results can include:

- A max of one (1) U.S. National Championships result
- A max of one (1) Jr World Championships result
- A max of one (1) dual moguls result



If a tie remains after the conclusion of the events, then the following tie-breaking mechanisms will be used in order of priority to select those athletes:

- Single highest FIS place point result during the events
- Second highest FIS place point result during the events
- Highest FIS place point result from the U.S. Selections Moguls

Up-to-date ranking for host nation spots based on the FIS 100-point scale is located at [usskiandsnowboard.org](http://usskiandsnowboard.org) > Search > Criteria > Freestyle > World Cup

\*\*If U.S. Selections in the 2023-24 Season is canceled, the top two (2) men & two (2) women, not already qualified from the above criteria, from the 7<sup>th</sup> FIS points list 2023-24.

**Criteria #2** Remaining Host Nation quota allocation may be selected based on Coach's Discretion. If Coach's Discretion isn't utilized, the next ranked athletes on the ranking list referenced above in Host Nation Criteria #1 will be selected.

## **Events**

### **Comp Period 3: Valmalenco, ITA - Almaty, KAZ**

**Criteria #1** Top three (3) men & three (3) women from the 9<sup>th</sup> FIS Mogul Points List 2023-24.

**Criteria #2** Remaining quota allocation (not already qualified from the above criteria) may be selected based on the Coach's Discretion. Discretionary positions may be considered on an event-by-event basis. If Coach's discretion isn't utilized, then the next ranked athletes, by gender, from the 9<sup>th</sup> FIS Mogul Points List 2023-24 may be selected. If Coach's Discretion isn't utilized, and there is a ranking tie for any quota position, the tie will be broken as follows:

- Best Moguls World Cup ranking from the 2022-23 season, as of 3/21/23
- Best World Cup result from the 2023-23 season
- If still tied, then Coach's Discretion shall be used

## **DISCRETIONARY SELECTIONS**

Athletes who have not met the Objective Criteria may be selected for the team based on a variety of factors, including competitions outside of the selection period, and/or they satisfy any of the following:

- Outstanding competition results from the 2021-22 and 2022-23 seasons indicate a potential for success.
- Recent positive direction or competition trend indicate a potential for success.
- Indication of medal potential in future elite-level competitions (such as international age group results and age rankings) that would be materially enhanced by selection to the team.



All discretionary selections will be reviewed by a discretionary selection review group comprised of the U.S. Ski & Snowboard Freestyle Sport Director, U.S. Ski & Snowboard Chief of Sport, and the athlete representative from that sport who is a member of the U.S. Ski & Snowboard Board. If the U.S. Ski & Snowboard Board Athlete Representative is also a competing athlete, then another athlete who is not actively competing will be selected by the Athletes' Council to represent this group.

### **U.S. SKI & SNOWBOARD APPEAL AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES**

Any member who believes that he/she has wrongfully been denied membership on any team whose members are selected through participation in "protected competition," as that term is defined in the USOC Bylaws, shall be entitled to appeal such a decision.

The U.S. Ski & Snowboard Grievance Procedures can be found within section IX of the U.S. Ski & Snowboard bylaws found at [usskiandsnowboard.org](http://usskiandsnowboard.org)

### **ATHLETE OMBUDSMAN**

Athletes who have questions regarding their opportunity to compete that are not answered by U.S. Ski & Snowboard may contact the USOPC Athlete Ombuds office by:

- Telephone at (719) 866-5000
- Toll-free telephone at (888) ATHLETE (1-888-284-5383)
- E-mail at [Ombudsman@usathlete.org](mailto:Ombudsman@usathlete.org)
- [www.athleteombudsman.org](http://www.athleteombudsman.org)

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