



## **Alberta Development Ski Team (ADST) Selection Criteria for 2021/2022**

The Selection Committee will be made up of a minimum of three Nordiq Alberta Board members and will be assisted by the Provincial Coach/Development Director.

### **Team Size:**

Minimum of 24 athletes (12 males and 12 females)

### **Athlete Eligibility:**

1. Member in good standing of a registered Nordiq Alberta club
2. Alberta resident (defined as full time resident for 6 months prior to team selection date)
3. Holder of Alberta health care card
4. Holder of valid Nordiq Canada license
5. Born in 2005, 2006, 2007

### **Selection Acceptance Requirements:**

The Selection will be considered accepted when the Nordiq Alberta Office has received the following:

1. Nordiq Alberta athlete agreement signed by athlete, coach and parents
2. Athlete code of conduct signed by athlete
3. Nordiq Alberta athlete media form and medical form completed
4. Payment of ADST fee when applicable

### **Selection Criteria:**

#### **\*\*COVID-19 Criteria Update\*\***

- In the event that the regular competition season does not occur, athletes will be selected using the criteria that can be applied based on events that did occur.
- Should no events take place or only regional events take place athletes will be selected based on discretion as per Selection Criteria 5.
- In the event no competitions take place SC4 Force Majeure will NOT be applied
- Selection Criteria will be reviewed on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 to allow for modifications based on updates to health recommendations and the racing calendar.

Athletes will be selected according to the following criteria:

**SC1.** Alberta Cup aggregate points will be used for selection. Points will be accrued for selection consideration only when an athlete competes in their appropriate category as defined by Nordiq Alberta for their year of birth.

Alberta Cup aggregate points will be used for selection of ADST athletes based on the following formula:

- Best 5 of 7 or best of 6 of 8 races (where there are 8 AB Cup races in a season)
- Best 4 of 5 or 6 races (when there are 5 or 6 AB Cup races in a season)
- Best 3 of 4 races (when there are 4 AB Cup races in a season)
- Best 2 of 2 or 3 races (when there are 2 or 3 AB Cup races in a season)
- Best 1 of 1 race (when there is only 1 AB Cup race in a season)



Athletes must compete in their appropriate age category as defined by Nordiq Alberta. 2007 athletes must compete in the U-14 category for their points to accrue for selection. 2005 and 2006 athletes must compete in the U-16 category for their points to accrue for selection.

**SC2.** The 1st ranked male and female athletes born in 2005 may be selected to the Alberta Ski Team if they meet the CPL requirement as outlined in AST Selection Criteria 5.

- The 2nd and 3rd ranked eligible male athletes born in 2005 and the 2nd and 3rd ranked eligible female athletes born in 2005 will be selected to the ADST.
- The 5-Top ranked 2006 boys and the 5-Top ranked 2006 girls will be selected.
- The 5-Top ranked 2007 boys and the 5-Top ranked 2007 girls will be selected.
- Should the 1st ranked male or female athlete born in 2005 decline their selection to the AST and decide instead to accept the selection to the ADST, the 1st, 2nd and 3rd ranked athletes would be nominated to the ADST.
- Should the 1<sup>st</sup> ranked male or female athlete born in 2005 not meet the CPL requirement they will be selected to the ADST. The 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> ranked male and female athlete born in 2005 will also be selected to the ADST.
- Should the 1<sup>st</sup> ranked male or female athlete born in 2005 decline their selection or not meet the CPL requirement for selection to the AST only the Top-4 ranked 2007 male or Top-4 ranked 2007 will be selected to the ADST.

**SC3.** Where an athlete who is ranked in the top 5 males and top 5 females born in 2006 or an athlete who is ranked in the top 5 boys or top 5 girls born in 2007 do not accept their position, or when the eligible athletes born in 2005 do not accept their position, the next ranked athletes will be offered the position.

**SC4.** Force Majeure factors – athletes selected under SC4 will be in addition to, not to replace, athletes eligible under SC1, SC2, and SC3. “Force Majeure” means an unexpected event beyond the reasonable control of the athlete that crucially affects that athlete’s ability to compete, and will be determined on a case by case basis (e.g. illness, injury, transportation breakdown, etc., with proper documentation included) and can be put forward as rationale for not having competed in or completed a selection race(s). The documentation to be received by Nordiq Alberta between April 1 – April 30, 2021.

**SC5.** In extraordinary circumstances, Nordiq Alberta may make discretionary selections to the ADST. These selections are motivated to provide fairness and equity and must be rationalized consistent with the above noted criteria.



### Selection Timeline

- **Feb 1, 2021** – 2020-21 ADST Draft program published on the Nordiq Alberta website
- **March 21, 2021** – AB Cup Aggregate points published on the Nordiq Alberta website.
- **April 30, 2021** - Invitations sent to selected athletes by Nordiq Alberta
- **May 7th, 2021** – Athletes are required to accept or decline their selection to the ADST by notifying the Nordiq Alberta office in writing by email. No response will be interpreted to be a decline
- **May 10th, 2021** – Round two of the ADST athlete selections based on any openings created by athletes declining their selection in the first round
- **May 14th, 2021** – Any additional athletes selected to the ADST are required to accept or decline their selection by notifying the Nordiq Alberta office in writing by email. No response will be interpreted to be a decline
- **May 21, 2021** – The ADST announced with the selection synopsis made available
- **June 3rd, 2021** – The ADST selection paperwork and payment are due at the Nordiq Alberta office.
  
- **Please note – final invitations are dependent on Nordiq Canada and when they finalize their CPL.**

*The program and size of the Alberta Development Ski Team is dependent upon the approved budget, as according to Nordiq Alberta Policy 4.4.2.*