US Ski & Snowboard FREESKI INTERNATIONAL WORLD CUP SELECTION CRITERIA 2018/19 Halfpipe, Slopestyle & Big Air

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 on the basis of race, color, religion, age, sex, 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 shall be principally objective (or performance-based)
- The Program Head Coach 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 quota of start rights per nation is set annually by the FIS

Freeskiing - Halfpipe (12 total / max 8 per gender) + *Birk Irving,* Svea Irving & *Alex Ferreira

- Top 4 U.S. men and 4 U.S. women athletes ranked in the AFP World Ranking List as of 5.25.18
- Top 4 U.S. men and 4 U.S. women athletes ranked on the 9th FIS Points list 2017/18
- If athlete declines their start position from above then start will be filled using Coaches Discretion
- Coaches Discretion will be used to fill any remaining starts up to nations quota.
- If Coaches Discretion isn't utilized then the next ranked athletes on the AFP Ranking List referenced above may be selected

QUALIFIED	QUALIFIED
1. Torin Yater-Wallace	1. Maddie Bowman
2. Aaron Blunck	2. Devin Logan
3. David Wise	3. Annalisa Drew
*Birk Irving – Personal spot: NorAm 2018	4. Brita Sigourney
*Alex Ferreira – Personal spot: World Cup winner 2018	*Svea Irving – Personal spot: NorAm 2018

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Freeskiing - Slopestyle (12 total / max 8 per gender) *Mac Forehand (NorAm) & *Marin Hamill (NorAm)

- Top 3 U.S. men and 3 U.S. women athletes ranked in the AFP World Ranking List as of 5.25.18
- Top 3 U.S. men and 3 U.S. women athletes ranked on the 9th FIS Points list 2017/18
- If athlete declines their start position from above then start will be filled using Coaches Discretion
- Coaches Discretion will be used to fill any remaining starts up to nations quota.
- If Coaches Discretion isn't utilized then the next ranked athletes on the AFP Ranking List referenced above may be selected

QUALIFIED	QUALIFIED
 McRae Williams Alex Hall Gus Kenworthy Nick Goepper 	 Maggie Voisin Devin Logan Caroline Claire Julia Krass
*Mac Forehand – Personal spot: NorAm 2018	4. Julia Krass *Marin Hamill – Personal spot: NorAm 2018

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Freeskiing - Big air (4 men / 1 woman)

- Top 1 U.S. man ranked on the 9th FIS Big Air Points list 2017/18
- Top 1 U.S. man ranked in the AFP Slopestyle World Ranking List as of 5.25.18
- Top 1 U.S. man ranked on the 9th FIS Slopestyle Points List 2017/18
- If athlete declines their start position from above then start will be filled using Coaches Discretion
- Coaches Discretion will be used to fill any remaining starts (including the 1 woman start for the U.S.) up to nations quota. If Coaches Discretion isn't utilized then the next ranked athletes on the AFP Ranking List referenced above may be selected.

QUALIFIED	QUALIFIED
1. Mac Forehand	
 Nick Goepper McRae Williams 	

CRITERIA DOES NOT APPLY TO CITY BIG AIR EVENTS DESIGNATED BY FIS AS LIMITED FIELD COMPETITIONS

DISCRETIONARY SELECTIONS

Athletes who have not met the Objective Criteria may be selected to 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 2017/2018 and 2018/2019 seasons, indicating a potential for success.
- Recent positive direction or trend of competition results indicating a potential for success.
- Indication of medal potential in future elite level competition (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 Sport Director, the 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 currently competing athlete then another athlete, who is not actively competing, will be selected by the Athletes' Council to be the representative in 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 decision.

The U.S. Ski & Snowboard Grievance Procedures can be found within section IX of the U.S. Ski & Snowboard bylaws found at: <u>usskiandsnowboard.org</u>

ATHLETE OMBUDSMAN

Athletes who have questions regarding their opportunity to compete that are not answered by U.S. Ski & Snowboard may contact the USOC Athlete Ombudsman, Kacie Wallace, by:

- Telephone at (719) 866-5000
- Toll-free telephone at (888) ATHLETE (1-888-284-5383)
- E-mail at Kacie.wallace@usoc.org
- www.athleteombudsman.org
- <u>https://www.teamusa.org/Athlete-Resources/Athlete-Ombudsman</u>