



SELECTION CRITERIA
2019 FIS SNOWBOARD JUNIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS
Parallel Giant Slalom/Snowboardcross - Rogia, SLO April 2019
Slopestyle/Big Air – Klaeppen, SWE April 2019
Halfpipe - TBD

1. PHILOSOPHY:

The 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, an active U.S. coded FIS license and who meet FIS minimum eligibility standards.

2. QUOTAS:

3. U.S. SKI & SNOWBOARD will select any number of athletes up to the total number of start quotas as determined by FIS, with a maximum number of athletes up to six (6) per gender/discipline for PSL, HP, SS/BA, SBX.

4. ELIGIBILITY:

The age limit for the 2019 FIS Snowboard Junior World Championships will be by year of birth: from 1999-2003 for Alpine and SBX events and 2001-2005 for Halfpipe and Slopestyle.

5. NAMING OF THE PARTICIPANTS:

The U.S. Snowboard FIS Junior World athletes will be named two weeks prior to the event. They will be announced at the U.S. Ski and Snowboard offices and posted on the [U.S. Ski & Snowboard](http://www.usasnowboard.com) website.

6. INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION RULES:

All qualifying competitions are governed by the international federation rules of competition. The international federation for snowsports, as recognized by the IOC, is the FIS. All criteria as they relate to rules, regulations and competition calendars are subject to changes based on changes by the FIS, the USOC and the IOC.

7. SELECTION PROCEDURES – Summary of Objective Selection:

- A.** Start positions in Parallel Giant Slalom, Parallel Slalom, Halfpipe, Slopestyle and Snowboardcross disciplines, men and women, will be filled objectively using the following:

Alpine – Six (6) Highest ranking athletes per gender will be nominated to the team as follows:

1. Four (4) highest ranking U.S. Athletes per gender from the FIS Parallel NorAm Cup Standings as of March 9th, 2019.
2. If the athletes qualified via the above criteria decline their invitation spots will be passed down the NorAm Cup Standings list to the next highest ranked athletes.
3. Two (2) U.S. Athletes per gender may be selected using Coach Discretion. If Coach Discretion is not used the next highest-ranking athletes (not qualified via the criteria above) may be selected from the FIS Parallel NorAm Cup Standings as of March 9th, 2019.



Halfpipe – *TBD based on the announcement of the location for 2019*

Slopestyle/Big Air –

Six (6) Highest ranking athletes per gender will be nominated to the team as follows:

1. Two (2) highest ranking U.S. Athletes per gender from the Slopestyle World Snowboard Points List as of March 18th, 2019.
2. Two (2) highest ranking U.S. Athletes per gender from the FIS Slopestyle NorAm Cup Standings, as of March 18th, 2019 (not already qualified from the criteria above).
3. If the athletes qualified via the above criteria decline their invitation spots will be passed down the Slopestyle World Snowboard Points List (as of March 18th, 2019) to the next highest ranked athletes.
4. Two (2) U.S. Athletes per gender may be selected using Coach Discretion. If Coach Discretion is not used the next highest-ranking athletes (not qualified via the criteria above) may be selected from the FIS Slopestyle NorAm Cup Standings as of March 18, 2019.

Any riders who qualify to compete in Slopestyle will also qualify to compete in Big Air. There is not a separate quota or qualification for Big Air.

SBX –

Six (6) Highest ranking athletes per gender will be nominated to the team as follows:

1. Two (2) highest ranking U.S. Athletes per gender from the 6th FIS Points List.
2. Two (2) highest ranking U.S. Athletes per gender from the FIS SBX NorAm Cup standings as of February 23rd, 2019 (not already qualified from the criteria above).
3. If the athletes qualified via the above criteria decline their invitation spots will be passed down the 6th FIS Points List to the next highest ranked athletes.
4. Two (2) U.S. Athletes per gender may be selected using Coach Discretion. If Coach Discretion is not used the next highest-ranking athletes (not qualified via the criteria above) may be selected from the FIS SBX NorAm Cup Standings as of February 23rd, 2019.

B. Discretionary Selection Policy

The U.S. may select additional athletes to the Team using Coach's Discretion, for any age athlete, using factors other than objective criteria such as the following:

1. Outstanding competition results (including results achieved outside of the selection period).
2. Recent direction or trend of competition results (i.e., improving, flat, or declining).
3. Illness or injury during the selection period.
4. Indicia of medal potential in future Olympic or World Championship competition, which would be materially enhanced by selection to team.



5. Other unanticipated failure of objective criteria to select an athlete likely to achieve competition results consistent with U.S. SKI & SNOWBOARD program goals for the Junior World Championships.