

U.S. SKI & SNOWBOARD
ATHLETE SELECTION PROCEDURES
2024 YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES
FREESTYLE MENS AND WOMENS DUAL MOGULS and MIXED TEAM DUAL MOGULS
JANUARY 19 - 1 FEBRUARY 2024
AGE REQUIREMENTS: Dual Moguls: 1 January 2006 and 31 December 2009

1. SELECTION SYSTEM

1. Provide the minimum eligibility requirements for an athlete to be considered for selection to the Team:

1. Nationality/Passport requirements:

Athlete must be a national of the United States at the time of nomination.

Athlete must hold a valid U.S. passport that will not expire for six months after the conclusion of the Games.

1. Minimum International Olympic Committee (IOC) standards for participation:

Any competitor in the Youth Olympic Games must be a national of the country of the National Olympic Committee (NOC) which is entering such competitor. For additional information regarding an athlete who is a national of two or more countries, has changed his or her nationality or acquired a new nationality, refer to the Olympic Charter (Rule 41).

1. Minimum International Federation (IF) standards for participation (if any):

- The YOG FIS Points Lists per event per gender published on 18 December 2023 on the FIS website (<https://www.fis-ski.com/>) contains only YOG age group athletes during the qualification period from 1 July 2022 to 17 December 2023. The Dual Moguls YOG FIS Points contains only YOG age group athletes and include the Dual Moguls and Single Moguls competition during the qualification period from 1 July 2022 to 17 December 2023. FIS will publish the latest YOG FIS Points List for information on a regular basis.

1. Other requirements:

- Athlete must successfully complete all Games Registration requirements by stated deadline.
- Any athlete age 18 or older will be required to undergo a background screen in accordance with the current [USOPC Background Check Policy](#).

- Any athlete age 18 or older as of the Closing Ceremony will be required to remain current with the U.S. Center for SafeSport's education and training requirements in accordance with the [USOPC Athlete Safety Policy](#).
- Only competitors who are U.S. Ski & Snowboard members in good standing will be considered for nomination.

1. Tryout Events:

1. Event names, dates, and locations of all trials, competitions, and camps to be used as part of the selection process:

Athletes will be selected using the following ranking lists:

- The quota spots will be determined from the athlete's three (3) best results, and must include only one (1) dual mogul result (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:
 - February 2023 Deer Valley NorAm Moguls
 - February 2023 Deer Valley NorAm Dual Moguls
 - March 2023 Val St Come NorAm Moguls
 - March 2023 Val St Come NorAm Dual Moguls
 - March 2023 Stratton NorAm Moguls
 - March 2023 Stratton NorAm Dual Moguls
 - March 2023 National Championships Moguls
 - March 2023 National Championships Dual Moguls
 - April 2023 FIS Open Moguls
 - April 2023 FIS Open Dual Moguls

**Qualifying results must include: A max of one (1) dual moguls result

Tie Breaking - If there is a tie for any quota position, the tie will be broken as follows:

- Next best result from the above list of events
- If still tied next best result from the above list of events will be utilized until the tie is broken.
- If still tied at the end of the event list the 2024 FIS base points will break the tie

1. Describe how athletes qualify for the events listed in 1.2.1.:

Athletes must participate in FIS (Mogul and Dual Mogul) sanctioned events during the selection period to be ranked on the respective ranking lists listed in 1.2.1.

Athletes must have obtained YOG FIS points in Moguls and/or Dual Moguls to start in the respective event. YOG FIS points are earned in accordance with the FIS Rules for FIS Points during the YOG qualification period from 1 July 2022 to 17 December 2023.

1. Step-by-step description of the selection process for these Games (include maximum Team size):

The number of NOC quotas earned in each discipline will be determined by the FIS based on the results of the FIS Freestyle Junior World Championships 2023. Each NOC is eligible to earn a maximum of two (2) quota places per event per gender based on the Qualification system listed [here](#).

Provided all quotas are qualified, the highest ranked, age-eligible athlete(s) will be nominated to fill each available position to U.S. Ski & Snowboard according to the following:

Dual Moguls/Team Dual Moguls – Up to two (2) athletes per gender will be nominated to the team as follows:

1. The quota spots will be determined from the athlete's three (3) best results, and must include only one (1) dual mogul result (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:
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 - February 2023 Deer Valley NorAm Dual Moguls
 - March 2023 Val St Come NorAm Moguls
 - March 2023 Val St Come NorAm Dual Moguls
 - March 2023 Stratton NorAm Moguls
 - March 2023 Stratton NorAm Dual Moguls
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 - March 2023 National Championships Dual Moguls
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1. REMOVAL OF ATHLETES

1. Prior to submitting athlete entries by name to the USOPC, the NGB/PSO has jurisdiction over potential nominees.

An athlete who is nominated to the Team by U.S. Ski & Snowboard may be removed for any of the following reasons, as determined by U.S. Ski & Snowboard :

1. Voluntary withdrawal. Athlete must submit a written letter to the U.S. Ski & Snowboard CEO/Executive Director.
2. Injury or illness as certified by a physician (or medical staff) approved by U.S. Ski & Snowboard . If an athlete refuses verification of his/her illness or injury by a physician (or medical staff) approved by U.S. Ski & Snowboard , his/her injury will be assumed to be debilitating and he/she may be removed.

3. Failure to participate in Mandatory Training and/or Competition as defined in Section 9 of these procedures.
4. Violation of the U.S. Ski & Snowboard [Code of Conduct](#).
5. Non-compliance with the eligibility requirements listed in Section 1.1. of these selection procedures.

An athlete who is removed from the Team pursuant to this provision has the right to a hearing per U.S. Ski & Snowboard [Bylaws](#) and the USOPC Bylaws, Section 9.

1. Once athlete entries have been submitted to the USOPC, the USOPC has jurisdiction over the Team, at which time, in addition to any applicable NGB/PSO Code of Conduct, the USOPC's Delegation Conduct Requirements apply, contained in the USOPC Games Delegation Terms. The USOPC Games Delegation Terms are specific to each Games and made available during the Games registration process; the USOPC's Grievance Procedures and Hearing Process are found within the Delegation Terms. See "Delegation Events" at <https://www.teamusa.org/Footer/Legal/Dispute-Resolution> for more information.

1. An athlete may be removed as a nominee to the Team or from the Team for an adjudicated violation of IOC, IPC, Panam Sports, APC, WADA, IF, USADA and/or USOPC anti-doping protocol, policies and procedures, as well as the U.S. Center for SafeSport Code, the USOPC Athlete Safety Policy and [U.S. Ski & Snowboard Safesport Policy](#), as applicable.

1. REPLACEMENT OF ATHLETES

1. Describe the selection and approval process for determining replacement athlete(s) should a vacancy occur:

1. prior to submission of Entries by Name to the Local Organizing Committee, including any applicable group or committee:

In the case that an athlete needs to be replaced, no replacement athlete will be named unless it is deemed that there is sufficient time to make a replacement without disrupting the competition or preparation of other athletes and that the replacement athlete would have sufficient time to properly prepare for the competition. This decision regarding the replacement athlete will be made by the replacement selection review group comprised of the President and CEO of U.S. Ski & Snowboard, the U.S. Ski & Snowboard Chief of Sport, the U.S. Ski & Snowboard Director, and the U.S. Ski & Snowboard Board athlete representative.

Should a replacement athlete be considered, the next highest ranked athlete as described in the procedure outlined in Section 1.2. will be followed to select the replacement athlete.

1. after submission of Entries by Name to the Local Organizing Committee, including any applicable group or committee:

See 3.1.1

1. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

U.S. Ski & Snowboard will retain the approved Selection Procedures and all supporting documents, including scouting or evaluation forms, etc., and data from the selection process for six months past the date of the Closing Ceremony of the Games.

1. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

In addition to the USOPC Delegation Conduct Requirements, the following documents are required to be signed by an athlete as a condition of nomination to the Youth Olympic Games:

[U.S. Ski & Snowboard Code of Conduct](#)

1. PUBLICITY/DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEDURES

The USOPC approved Selection Procedures (complete and unaltered) will be posted/published by the U.S. Ski & Snowboard in the following public location(s):

1. NGB/PSO Web site: www.us skiandsnowboard.org

These procedures will be posted as soon as possible, but not more than five business days following notice of approval by the USOPC.

1. Other: N/A

1. DATE OF NOMINATION

Nomination of athletes, including replacements, will be announced to all athletes and submitted to the USOPC on or before: November 15, 2023.

1. MANDATORY TRAINING AND/OR COMPETITION

Specify the location, schedule and duration of mandatory training and/or competition:

At the time of development of these procedures, no mandatory training or competition has been determined for the 2024 Youth Olympic Games Team. In the event that such mandatory training or competition is required for

the Team, U.S. Ski & Snowboard will immediately notify each Team member and that athlete's coach at least 30 days in advance and will post the information on the U.S. Ski & Snowboard website.

1. ANTI-DOPING REQUIREMENTS

Athletes must adhere to all IOC, IPC, Panam Sports, APC, WADA, IF, USADA and USOPC anti-doping protocols, policies and procedures, as applicable. This includes participation in Out-of-Competition Testing as required by the IOC, IPC, Panam Sports, APC, WADA, IF, USADA and USOPC rules, as applicable.

1. DEVELOPMENT OF SELECTION PROCEDURES

The following committee/group (include names and titles) was responsible for creating these Selection Procedures:

U.S. Ski & Snowboard President & CEO	Sophie Goldschmidt
U.S. Ski & Snowboard Chief of Sport	Anouk Patty
U.S. Ski & Snowboard Freestyle Director	Matt Gnoza
U.S. Ski & Snowboard Mogul Team Head Coach	Bryon Wilson
U.S. Ski & Snowboard Board Athlete Representative	Troy Murphy
U.S. Ski & Snowboard Sport Committee Athlete Representative	Emerson Smith
U.S. Ski & Snowboard Sport Committee Athlete Representative	Zac Amidan
U.S. Ski & Snowboard Sport Committee Athlete Representative	Dani Loeb

1. NGB/PSO BYLAWS AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

The U.S. Ski & Snowboard Bylaws and Grievance Procedures can be found [here](#).

1. INTERNATIONAL DISCLAIMER

These procedures are based on IOC, and/or FIS rules and regulations as presently known and understood. Any change in the selection procedures caused by a change in IOC, and/or FIS rules and regulations will be distributed to the affected athletes immediately. The selection criteria are based on the latest information available to U.S. Ski & Snowboard. However, the selection criteria are always subject to unforeseen, intervening circumstances, and realistically may not have accounted for every possible contingency.

If any force of nature, or force majeure, should cause the alteration or cancellation of any of the selection events listed in this document, these selection procedures may require revisions, pursuant to their resubmission to the USOPC.

1. ATHLETE OMBUDS OFFICE

The Athlete Ombuds Office provides cost-free, independent and confidential advice regarding athlete rights, grievance procedures and any other related guidance pertaining to selection procedures and can assist in mediating disputes between athletes and their NGB/PSO.

To contact the Athlete Ombuds Office:
 PHONE: (719) 866-5000
 EMAIL: ombudsman@usathlete.org
 WEBSITE: www.usathlete.org

1. NGB/PSO SIGNATURES

I certify that I have read and understand the standards/criteria set by our IF and/or CF (PAG/PPAG only) and incorporated those standards/criteria into our Selection Procedures. I further certify that the information provided herein regarding Athlete Selection Procedures represents the method approved by NGB/PSO.

Position	Print Name	Signature	Date
U.S. Ski & Snowboard President or CEO/Executive Director	Sophie Goldschmidt		
Nat. Team Coach, Head Coach, or Nat. Program Director	Matthew Gnoza		
USOPC Athletes' Advisory Council Representative*			

* If the USOPC AAC Representative has delegated authority to the Alternate AAC Representative to sign the Selection Procedures, attach a letter from the AAC Representative indicating the reason he/she has delegated authority.

* Signature by the Athlete Representative constitutes that he/she has read and understands the Selection Procedures. If the Athlete Representative reads and does not agree with the Athlete Selection Procedures being submitted by the NGB/PSO, he/she may submit those reasons in writing to his/her USOPC Sport Performance Team.

* If, for some reason, a sport does not have an elected USOPC AAC Representative, the NGB/PSO must designate an athlete from that sport to review and sign the Selection Procedures.