



Canadian Sport Institute Pacific and BC Adaptive Snowsports Athlete and Coach Nomination Criteria

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PURPOSE

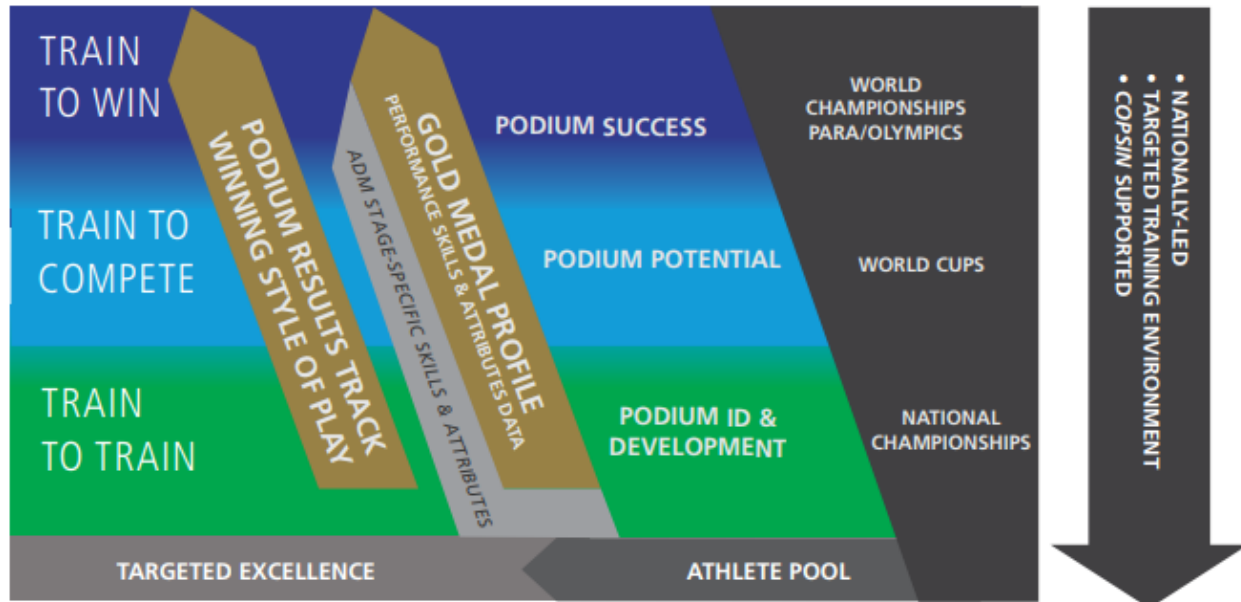
Canadian Sport Institute Pacific, through a partnership with the Province of British Columbia (BC), viaSport, the network of PacificSport centres, and BC Adaptive Snowsports / Para-Alpine, collaborates to deliver programs and services to place BC athletes¹ on national teams, and ensure athletes and coaches have every advantage to win medals for Canada. The partners work jointly to encourage sport excellence and increase podium performances in communities throughout BC.

This template provides a standardized process with which to identify athletes and coaches within the BC Adaptive Snowsports / Para-Alpine high performance program as well as athletes who are tracking against key development pathway metrics toward national teams. The levels within the targeted pathway seek to create a common standard across all sports; hence, the template must be used in its entirety. PSO/DSOs are able to adapt the template to suit their own purposes (e.g. branding, application process, etc.) provided all relevant information is contained within.

Canadian Sport Institute / PacificSport athlete and coach support for the Sport Canada AAP Carded nomination focuses on athletes and teams 0-4 years from the international podium, identified by the sport-specific Podium Pathway (Figure 1) and Gold Medal Profile. These athletes and teams represent the current generation of national team athletes who are carded by the NSO through Sport Canada's Athlete Assistance Program.

Canadian Sport Institute / PacificSport athlete and coach support for the Canadian Development and Provincial Development nomination focuses on athletes and teams 5-12 years from the international podium, identified by the sport-specific Podium Pathway (Figure 1) and Gold Medal Profile. These athletes and teams represent both the next generation (5-8 years away) and future generations (9-12 years away) of Olympic and Paralympic or World Championship medallists.

Figure 1 – Podium Pathway (LTAD 3.0)



¹ A BC athlete is defined as an athlete born, developed, and/or trained/centralized (for a minimum of three (3) months in a twelve (12) month period) in British Columbia.

DETAILS

Through the above partnership, and with the above purpose in mind, BC Adaptive Snowsports / Para-Alpine may nominate athletes and their coaches who meet specific criteria for Canadian Sport Institute Pacific / PacificSport athlete or coach enrollment. Upon completion of enrollment and onboarding, athletes and coaches can engage in enhanced programs, benefits, and selected support services through Canadian Sport Institute Pacific and the network of PacificSport regional centres in BC.

Canadian Sport Institute / PacificSport athlete support is divided into four levels based on performance, each with a slate of designated benefits. Please see Appendix A for an outline of BC Adaptive Snowsports / Para-Alpine targeted athlete benefits, programs, and services as delivered through BC Adaptive Snowsports / Para-Alpine.

Targeted athletes are nominated by BC Adaptive Snowsports / Para-Alpine based on the athlete criteria below. As a general principle, all athletes are expected to demonstrate evidence of their ongoing performance progression and tracking toward BC Adaptive Snowsports / Para-Alpine high performance program benchmarks to remain targeted. **Corinne Risler, Athlete Development Manager** and the Canadian Sport Institute technical lead working with BC Adaptive Snowsports / Para-Alpine, **Nicholas Baker-Bell Athlete Coach Services Coordinator** have the final authority over the Canadian Sport Institute nomination process. Any inquiries regarding the sport-specific selection criteria can be made to **Corinne Risler at corinne@bcadaptive.com**.

The athlete and coach nomination cycle for Canadian Sport Institute / PacificSport / BC Adaptive Snowsports / Para-Alpine targeting runs **August 1st to July 31st** annually, and athletes are selected based on performances from the previous 12 months. Athletes meeting criteria throughout the annual nomination cycle may be added to the BC Adaptive Snowsports / Para-Alpine targeted athlete list, on a case by case basis, by contacting the PSO/DSO Technical Representative Corinne Risler at corinne@bcadaptive.com.

ATHLETE/COACH ENROLLMENT

Once the athlete or coach is nominated, they will be notified by BC Adaptive Snowsports / Para-Alpine and will be provided with information on how to enroll. All athletes and coaches must enroll with Canadian Sport Institute / Pacific Sport in order to receive athlete or coach supports and benefits.

CORE CRITERIA

1. For PSO/DSO nominations, athletes must be considered in good standing at the discretion of the PSO/DSO with BC Adaptive Snowsports / Para-Alpine as a competitive athlete and meet the definition of a BC athlete.
2. All athletes nominated should have a designated coach who is responsible for planned programming. The designated coach(es) must be identified in Appendix D.
3. Athletes who fail to meet targeting criteria due to injury or absence, may remain on BC Adaptive Snowsports / Para-Alpine's nomination list at the discretion of the PSO/DSO when:
 - a. There is an expectation the athlete in question would have met criteria if no injury or absence had occurred **AND**;
 - b. The athlete in question was nominated by BC Adaptive Snowsports / Para-Alpine in the previous 24 months.

LEVEL-SPECIFIC CRITERIA

Please note both the Canadian Sport Institute criteria and the BC Adaptive Snowsports / Para-Alpine sport-specific criteria:

Sport Canada AAP Carded

Canadian Sport Institute Criteria:

- Athletes who appear on the Sport Canada AAP Carding List and verified by the NSO. These athletes are in the High Performance (HP/T2W) stage of the Podium Pathway.
 - It is the responsibility of BC Adaptive Snowsports / Para-Alpine to consult with the NSO, identifying and nominating any Sport Canada AAP Carded athletes in the province of British Columbia.

Canadian Development

Canadian Sport Institute Criteria:

- Athletes who compete on the senior national team in eligible events, but do not receive Sport Canada AAP funding, and verified by the NSO. These athletes are in the High Performance (HP/T2W) stage of the Podium Pathway **OR**;
- Athletes who are in the HP Athlete Development (L2W/T2W) stage of the Podium Pathway (including Gold Medal Profile) and verified by the NSO. If the NSO does not have an approved Podium Pathway, the following criteria will be used:
 - Athletes who have been targeted as "NextGen" defined as the expectation to be selected to the senior national team in eligible events **within 24 months** and verified by the NSO.

BC Adaptive Sport-Specific Criteria:

- Para-alpine athlete from BC training with the Canadian Para-alpine Ski Team Next Gen or Prospect program (part-time or full-time). **AND**;
- Classified or scheduled to be classified under the FIS guidelines for Para-alpine skiing in the calendar year preceding their nomination. **AND**;

- Previously identified by Alpine Canada's Para-Alpine Sport and Athlete Development Manager as National Team Prospect. **AND**;
- Commitment to skiing and training. **AND**;
- Actively trains throughout the winter season with a dedicated coach and race program as prescribed by BC Adaptive Snowsports and Alpine Canada. **AND**;
- Targeting to meet the **Alpine Canada selection criteria**. **AND**;
- Attendance at National Championships and other NorAm or WPAS races as required by Alpine Canada. **AND**;
- Achieving points below 500 in at least one discipline

Provincial Development Level 1

Canadian Sport Institute Criteria:

- Athletes who are in the Athlete Identification & Development stage of the Podium Pathway, and who are tracking toward the HP Athlete Development stage according to the NSO-specific Podium Pathway and Gold Medal Profile. If the NSO does not have an approved Podium Pathway, the athlete must be tracking toward Canadian Development and meet the criteria below:
 - Meet specific performance-based benchmarks in accordance with an overall athlete monitoring and tracking framework (utilizing Gold Medal Profile) **AND**;
 - Athletes at this level are anticipated to convert to national team program as a Canadian Development or Podium athlete within a maximum duration of five years (combined Provincial Development Level One and Two) **AND**;
 - Competed at the appropriate² age group or junior world championships in an eligible event (or equivalent international developmental event) in the previous 24 months **OR**;
 - Won a medal in an eligible event at their sport-specific national senior/open, appropriate² age group or junior championships (or equivalent level of performance standard) in the previous 24 months.

BC Adaptive Sport-Specific Criteria:

- Is medically classifiable for the sport of Para-alpine skiing under the FIS guidelines. **AND**;
- Demonstrated progress and commitment in the sport through one or more of the below training opportunities:
 - Actively trains throughout the winter season with a dedicated coach and race program (CADS, Alpine Ski Club or Para-alpine Development program)
 - Eligible to compete at Canada Winter Games in relation to games cycle
 - Invitation to CPAST Next Gen camp opportunities
 - Attends BCAS/CADS Race Development events as determined with the Athlete Development Manager
 - Finish a minimum of 2/6 races at National Championships
 - Achieving points below 500 in at least one discipline
 - Must progress to Canadian Development within four years of being identified as Provincial Development Level 1

² Definition of appropriate is based on a number of factors such as peak development age, average age of National Team, sport's competition schedule, and logical pathway progression. Final determination will be made by CSI Pacific.

- ****Guides for Visually Impaired Guides** may be nominated to the targeted list, so long that the VI Athletes meet the criteria and the Guide is training full-time with the athlete.

Provincial Development Level 2

Canadian Sport Institute Criteria:

- Athletes who are in the Athlete Identification & Development stage of the Podium Pathway, and who are tracking toward Provincial Development One according to the NSO-specific Podium Pathway and Gold Medal profile. If the NSO does not have an approved Podium Pathway, the athlete must meet the criteria below:
 - Meet specific performance-based benchmarks in accordance with an overall athlete monitoring and tracking framework (utilizing Gold Medal Profile) **AND**;
 - Athletes at this level are anticipated to convert to national team program as a Canadian Development or Podium athlete within a maximum duration of five years (combined Provincial Development Level One and Two) **AND**;
 - Competed in an eligible event at the appropriate² age group national championships (or equivalent level of performance standard) in the previous 24 months, **OR**;
 - Won a medal in an eligible event at their appropriate² age group provincial championships in the previous 12 months, **OR**;

BC Adaptive Sport-Specific Criteria

- Is medically classifiable for the sport of Para-alpine skiing under the IPC guidelines **AND**;
- 11 years of age or old. **AND**;
- Demonstrated progress and commitment in the sport through one or more of the below training opportunities:
 - Participates in All Mountain Camps and CADS Race Program
 - Must be training with a local adaptive race program, BC Alpine Ski Club or other race specific program

Coach Nomination

Canadian Sport Institute Criteria:

Coaches are nominated when they are the coach of an athlete who achieves designated criteria. The PSO/DSO may nominate up to two coaches per athlete in cases where both the Provincial/National coach and a personal coach have a significant impact on the athlete's training program. While not required, it is highly recommended that PSO/DSO nominated coaches meet at least one of the following criteria:

- Be the lead person designing and implementing an annual training program for the athlete.
- Be designated as Provincial or Regional coach by the PSO/DSO.
- Be designated as a National Development / Senior National coach by the NSO.
- Be designated as athlete's coach of record based on sport-specific criteria below.

APPENDIX A

BC Adaptive Snowsports/ Para-alpine Targeted Athlete/Coach Benefits, Programs, and Services

Canadian Development

- Is recognized as an Alpine Canada CPAST (Canadian Para-alpine Ski Team) Prospect or Next Gen athlete
- **May be** eligible for a CanWest pass
- **May be** eligible to benefits and programs available through that program and Sport Canada carding
- **May be** eligible for BC Adaptive Snowsports Para-alpine Development Athlete Assistance Grant
- **All benefits included as a Provincial Development Level 1 athlete as needed**

Provincial Development Level 1

- **May be** eligible for CanWest pass
- **May be** eligible for BC Adaptive Snowsports Para-alpine Development Athlete Assistance Grant
- **May be** eligible to attend Alpine Canada prospect training camps
- Year round on-snow and dry land training, competition & administrative support
- Yearly training plan
- Access to CSI Services as offered through their campuses
- Limited paid IST services based on individual needs
- Must progress to Canadian Development within four years of being identified as Provincial Level 1

Provincial Development Level 2

- **May be** eligible for BC Adaptive Snowsports financial support for para-alpine training and development opportunities
- Access to CSI Services as offered through their campuses
- Guidance on next steps and training opportunities

[Sport-specific criteria may be inserted here, if applicable]

Appendices

- Appendix A – Sport Specific Eligible Services and Benefits
- Appendix B – Sport Specific Athlete Nomination Criteria
- Appendix C – Sport Specific Team BC Criteria
- Appendix D – Sport Specific Coaching Personnel
- Appendix E – Sport Specific Nominated Athlete List