





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

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**CANADIAN SPORT INSTITUTE / PACIFICSPORT / BC ADAPTIVE SNOWSPORTS/PARA-ALPINE ATHLETE AND COACH NOMINATION**

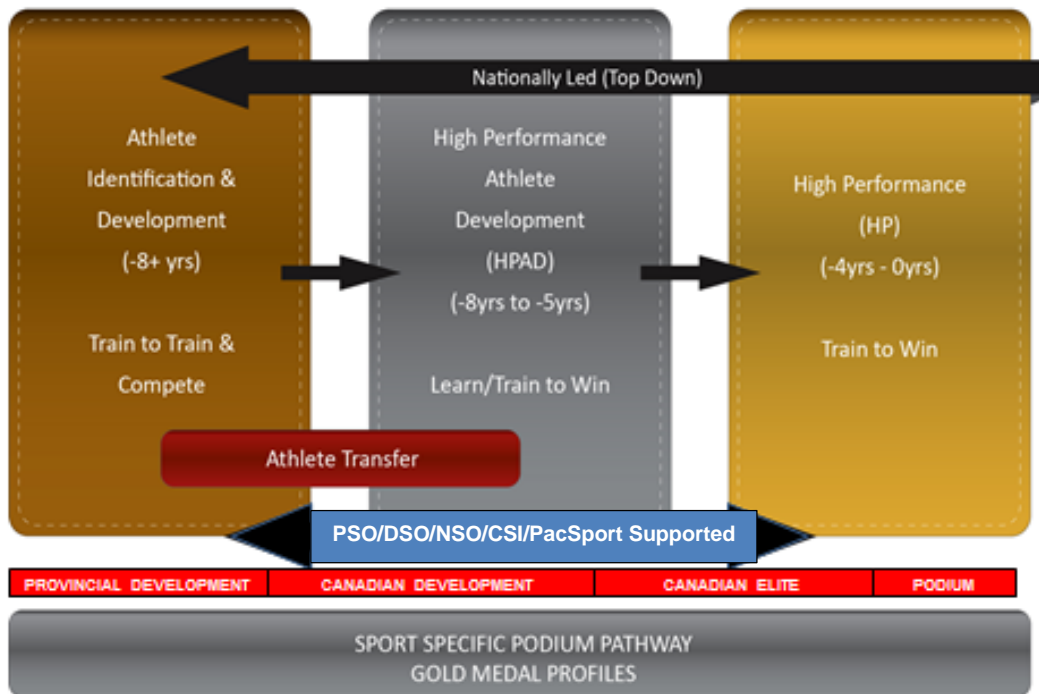
**PURPOSE**

The Canadian Sport Institute, through a partnership with the Province of BC and viaSport, the network of PacificSport Centres, and BC Adaptive Snowsports collaborates to deliver programs and services to place BC Athletes<sup>1</sup> 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 British Columbia.

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 Podium, identified by the sport specific Podium Pathway (see Figure 1 below) and Gold Medal Profile. These athletes and teams represent both the next generation (5-8 years from Podium) and future generations (9-12 years from Podium) of Olympic and Paralympic (or World Championship) medalists. Support may be focussed more toward the future generation (9-12 years from Podium) for some targeted Paralympic sports depending on the quality of the next generation (5-8 years from Podium) of athletes and teams.

**Figure 1**

**PODIUM PATHWAY CONCEPT OVERVIEW**



<sup>1</sup> In general a BC athlete is defined as an athlete born, developed, and/or trained/centralized (for a minimum of three months) 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 / PacificSport athlete or coach registration. Upon registering, athletes and coaches can engage in enhanced programs, benefits, and selected support services through the Canadian Sport Institute and the network of PacificSport regional centres in BC

Canadian Sport Institute and PacificSport athlete support is divided into four levels based on performance, each with a slate of designated benefits. Please click on the following for an outline of Canadian Sport Institute Athlete and Coach eligibility, programs, and benefits. Please see Appendix 1 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. Any enquiries regarding the sport-specific selection criteria can be made to Fannie Smith, [fannie@bcadaptive.com](mailto:fannie@bcadaptive.com). As a general principle, all athletes are expected to demonstrate evidence of their ongoing performance progression and tracking toward BC Adaptive Snowsports/Para-alpine HP program benchmarks to remain targeted. BC Adaptive Snowsports/Para-alpine PSO/DSO Technical Representative and the Canadian Sport Institute technical lead working with BC Adaptive Snowsports/Para-alpine have the final authority over the Canadian Sport Institute nomination process.

The athlete and coach nomination cycle for Canadian Sport Institute / PacificSport / BC Adaptive Snowsports/Para-alpine targeting runs July 31<sup>st</sup> annually, and athletes are selected based on performances from the previous 12 months. Athletes who meet 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.

## CORE CRITERIA

- 1) For DSO nominations, athletes must be registered and in good standing with BC Adaptive Snowsports/Para-alpine as a competitive athlete and meet the definition of a BC athlete.
- 2) In principle, all athletes nominated should have a designated coach who is responsible for planned programming with the coach(es)'s name and email identified on the targeted athlete list.
- 3) Coaches discretion may be applied for athletes who were previously targeted but were unable to meet specific criteria due to injury or other circumstances beyond coach or athlete control.  
Athlete may be nominated on discretionary basis (one year) who have potential to meet criteria and have not been classified.

## ATHLETE/COACH REGISTRATION

Once the athlete or coach is nominated, he or she will be notified by BC Adaptive Snowsports/Para-alpine and will be provided with information on how to register with his or her local Canadian Sport Institute or PacificSport Regional Centre. A Canadian Sport Institute or PacificSport Athlete Coach Services representative may contact the nominated coach to encourage athlete registration. Athletes and coaches must register with their local centre to initiate the process of receiving athlete or coach support.

## NOMINATION CRITERIA

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

### Canadian Development

*BC Adaptive Snowsports/Para-alpine Sport Specific Criteria:*

- Para-alpine athlete from BC, training with the Canadian Para-alpine Ski Team Next Gen program (part-time or full-time)
- Classified under the IPC guidelines for Para-alpine skiing
- Previously identified by Alpine Canada's Para-alpine Athlete & Sport Development Manager as National Team potential
- Commitment to skiing and training. Days on snow average a minimum of 30 days in a previous season
- Attendance to some NorAm or WPAS race

### Provincial Development

*BC Adaptive Snowsports/Para-alpine Sport Specific Criteria:*

- Is medically classifiable for the sport of Para-alpine skiing under the IPC guidelines

AND

- Demonstrated progress and commitment in the sport through one or more of the below training opportunities:
  - BC Adaptive Snowsports skill and race development camps and events
  - CADS race program
  - Eligible to compete at Canada Winter Games in relation to games cycle
  - Participation at Rising Stars camps with Alpine Canada's Para-alpine Athlete & Sport Development Manager
  - Shows commitment on and off snow to training

## Coach Nomination

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*Canadian Sport Institute /PacificSport Core Criteria:*

Coaches are nominated by having his or her name included in the Targeted Athlete List for an athlete who achieves designated criteria. The PSO/DSO may nominate up to two coaches per athlete in cases where a personal coach may have significant impact on the athlete's training program. While not required, it is highly recommended that PSO/DSO nominated coaches meet one of the following criteria:

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

## APPENDIX 1

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

Canadian Development

- Is a member of the NextGen program with Alpine Canada
- Eligible to benefits and programs available through that program and Sport Canada carding.

Provincial Development

- May be eligible for CanWest pass
- Year round on-snow and dry land training, competition & administrative support
- Yearly training plan
- Limited paid IST services based on individual needs