



Canadian Mogul Team December 2023 January 2024 World Cup (WC) Spot Allocation

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Introduction

Freestyle Canada will allocate WC starts to members of our national mogul team for the 2023-24 FIS WC season.

Philosophy

Own the Podium (OTP) reviews Freestyle Canada's plans and the results from our athletes to make funding recommendations each year to Sport Canada. The OTP recommendation is based on medal results from our athletes in the most recent Olympic Winter Games and World Championships that show evidence that our athletes are trending towards medals in 2026 and 2030. While we would love to provide opportunity to all our skiers, each nation has a fixed number of quota spots.

Freestyle Canada will only fill quota spots for the December 2023/January 2024 WCs if the selection committee feels the competitive start at that level is in the best interest of the qualified skier.

Calculations will be made using a rolling 12 month HP Ranking.

Up to the Val St.-Come WC (before the week of January 8 - 14, 2024), Freestyle Canada will prioritize spots for A and B team skiers and consider filling spots using a rolling 12 month HPP calculation to rank remaining NG skiers. Should the team choose to compete in any Europa Cup events, these events will not be included in the calculations as all HPP athletes will not have access to compete.

It is expected that athletes competing in non-Canadian WC events regularly reach finals.

Quota Spots

FIS has allocated Freestyle Canada:

- the maximum available core team size (10 skiers) with a maximum of 5 skiers per gender.
- two skiers earned personal spots (Mikael Kingsbury (WC) and Danny Tanner (NorAm)).
- Canada will earn one extra quota spot by hosting a WC event; for 2023-24, the Freestyle Canada HP Mogul Committee has designated as a spot a male skier for 2023-24.
- Canada's functional maximum team size is 13 skiers.
- For the Canadian Hosted event (Val St.-Come), Canada has 3 additional spots per gender above the max team size.



VSC WC Selections

The HP Mogul Committee's preference is to provide two chances to a single skier to perform at the VSC WC. In an exceptional circumstance, the committee could grant exception to this should a lower ranked skier truly stand out at the Apex Classic Events. Canada does not have to fill all available WC spots.

Selection Process:

Step 1

- Non Dec 23 WC skiers:
 - Must have one top-8 result at the 2023 Apex Classic
 - All skiers must include one score in the calculations from the 2023 Apex Classic. The HP Mogul ranking process will be detailed in the 2024 - 2025 Mogul Team Selection Criteria (available in the fall of 2023).
- For the VSC selection calculations only, the 2023 Apex Classic will be categorized as a Tier 2 event (like a NorAm). The Apex Classic will return to a Tier 3 event for year-long HP ranking.
- Skiers will be ranked for selection, by gender, from the HP Mogul Ranking lists as of December 24, 2023.
- Any skier who missed the 2022-23 season due to injury will have 2021-22 results calculated using the 2022-23 factors. The results used will include competitions completed between January 1, 2022, through December 23, 2023.

Step 2

If spots remain after the completion of Step 1, the Selection Committee may consider filling them in rank order with those skiers who did not meet the above top-8 requirements.

FIS WC Schedule*

Host	Scheduled Date
Ruka WC (MO)	Dec 2, 2023
Idre Fjäll WC (MO, DM)	Dec 9/10, 2023
Alpe d'Huez WC (MO, DM)	Dec 15/16, 2023
Bakuriani WC (MO, DM)	Dec 22/23, 2023
Christmas Break	
Val St.-Come WC (MO, DM)	Jan 19/20, 2024
Waterville WC (MO/DM)	Jan 26/27, 2024
Deer Valley WC (MO/DM)	Feb 1/3, 2024
Almaty WC (MO/DM)	Mar 8/9, 2024
Chiesa in Valmalenco WC (DM)	Mar 16, 2024

**Subject to changes*



Selection Phases

Phase 1 – Final available spots for December WC events

- Available spots may be filled off the HPP rankings and based on coach evaluation of performance at training camps. Decision on whether we fill male spots will be taken post-fall camp (Chile); at present we do not plan to fill the open women spots pre-Christmas.

December WC selection

	Quota Men (2 pers + 5 core + 1 org) = 8	Quota Women (5)
Personal spots	Mikael Danny	n/a
A and B team members	Julien Elliot Gabriel LD	Maïa
Available (do not have to be filled) <i>Decision on whether we fill any unused spots will be made after the Chile camp</i>	2	4

All skiers must be cleared to return to training in time to prepare adequately.

Based on HPP Rank as of July 31, 2023

Phase 2 – Selection for Val St.-Come WC events

- Personal spot, A and B tiered athletes will be entered into these events.
- All other spots will be filled off the HPP rankings from the finalized December 25 list (as noted above).
- While some skiers may participate in early 2023-24 season FIS event to gain experience in the start gate, results from these competitions will not be factored into the HPP rankings.
- Only HPP members will be considered for WC event selection.



VSC WC Selection

	Men (2 pers + 5 core + 1 org + 3 host) = 11	Women (5 core + 3 host) = 8
Personal spots	Mikael Danny	n/a
A and B team	Julien Elliot Gabriel LD	Maïa
	The Mogul HP committee intends to fill spots based on HPP ranking the Dec 24, 2023 (using events CAN attends as a program including Dec WCs and the Apex Classic).	
Eligible for Selection	Charles Beaulieu Jean-Christophe Bougie Sam Cordell Quinn Dawson Joey Dubuc Sam Goodison Ryan Portello	Berkley Brown Laurianne Desmarais-Gilbert Ashley Koehler Kaylee Koehler Jessica Linton Maya Mikkelsen
Available spots	2 Personal (MK, DT) 5 Quota (JV, EV, GD, LDC) = 1 available 3 Host available +1 Organizing Nation spot available M <= 11 men max> = 5 available (for 8 skiers)	5 Quota (MS) = 4 available 3 Host available <= 8 women max> = 7 available (for 6 skiers)

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Phase 3 – Selection for USA WC events

- Personal spot, A and B tiered athletes will be entered into the USA events.
- It is expected that A&B athletes will meet a minimum of one 12th final placing in a previous 2023-24 WC events.
- Open spots may be filled off the HPP rankings post VSC; the selection committee is not required to fill all spots.



Phase 4 – Post-USA WC events

Should Freestyle Canada be in a position where we can field a team to WC events after North America, these spots will be filled based on a priority of earning a WC overall title, adding to our 2024-25 Quota spots and based off the most recent HPP ranking calculations.

USA and Post-USA WC Selections Table

	Men (2 pers + 5 core + 1 org) = 8	Women (5)
Personal spots	Mikael Danny	n/a
A and B team members (providing they have achieved a top-12 in the current season)	Julien Elliot Gabriel LD	Maia
Available (do not have to be filled)	2	4
<i>*Final Decision will be made after VSC WC for USA events</i>		

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Current Ranking as of May 21, 2023

Rank	Athlete	Team	Ranking Score
1	Kingsbury, Mikael	Nat Team	100.00
2	Viel, Julien	Nat Team	96.35
3	Vaillancourt, Elliot	Nat Team	95.97
4	Dufresne, Gabriel	Nat Team	94.77
5	Chalifoux, Louis David	Nat Team	93.10
6	Tanner, Daniel	Next Gen	87.66
7	Goodison, Samuel	Next Gen	87.48
8	Cordell, Sam	Next Gen	86.81
9	Portello, Ryan	Next Gen	86.59
10	Dawson, Quinn	Next Gen	86.22
11	Dubuc, Joey	Next Gen	85.63
12	Beaulieu, Charles	Next Gen	85.15
13	Bougie, Jean-Christophe	Next Gen	85.06

*Ryan's HPP Score adjusted with 2022-23 scoring factors which were updated after 2021-22.

Women's HPP Summary			
Rank	Athlete	Team	Ranking Score
1	Schwinghammer, Maia	Nat Team	95.09
2	Linton, Jessica	Next Gen	89.13
3	Desmarais-Gilbert Laurianne	Next Gen	88.70
4	Koehler, Ashley	Next Gen	88.34
5	Brown, Berkley	Next Gen	87.75
6	Mikkelsen, Maya	Next Gen	86.42
7	Koehler, Kaylee	Next Gen	

**All skiers need to be in "good standing" to be eligible for selection*