



# ***CANADA CUP GUIDELINES - 2024-2025***

Aerials ♦ Halfpipe ♦ Moguls/Dual Moguls ♦ Slopestyle/BigAir



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## 1 CANADA CUP SERIES EVENTS

The Canada Cup series presented by TOYO TIRES includes the following events and disciplines:

- Apex Classic (Moguls & Dual Moguls) \*
- Canada Cup Slopestyle/Halfpipe/Big Air
- Canada Cup Moguls and Dual moguls
- Canadian Junior HP/SS/BA Championships
- Canadian Junior MO/DM/AE Championships
- Canadian Mogul Championships\*
- Canadian Aerial Championships\*
- Canadian Slopestyle and Big Air Championship\*
- Canadian Halfpipe Championship (TBC)

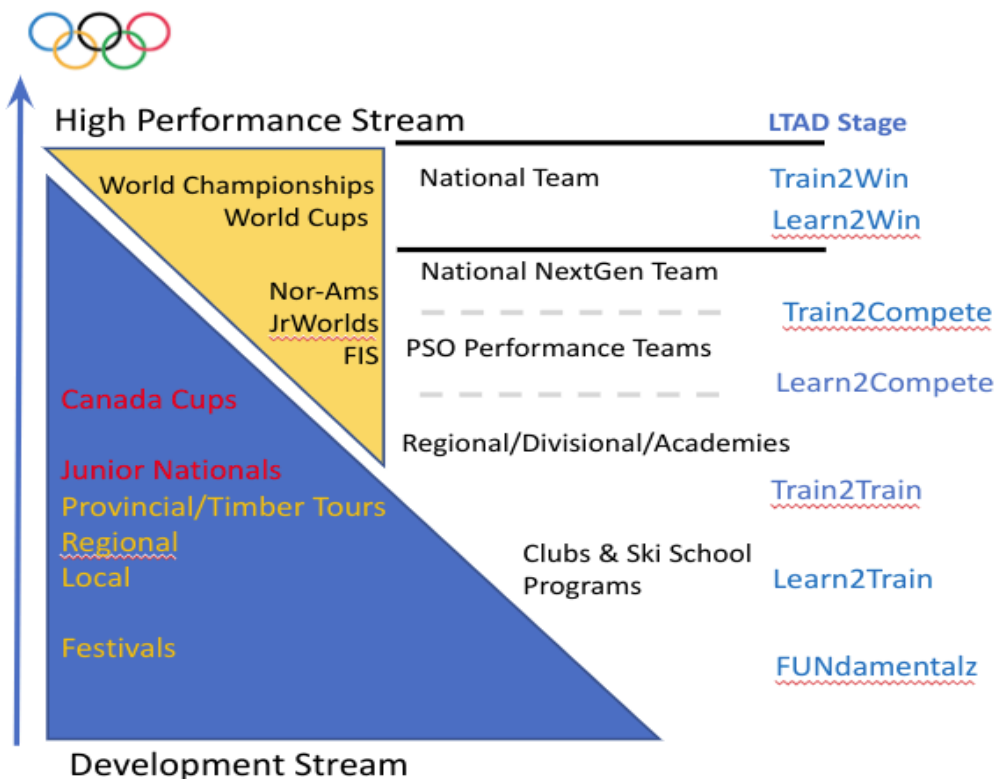
\* Indicates a FIS sanctioned event opened to foreign athletes.

## 2 CANADA CUP MANDATE

**Athletes are targeted for competitive experience based on their current stage along the Long-term Athlete Development Model (LTAD). To provide a quality competition circuit that ensures skill appropriate terrain for the athlete's current need:**

- To support the local club/region and ski resort by developing quality venues; these high-quality training and competition venues service the needs of all stakeholders. Canada Cup events enable ski resorts and organizers to collaborate with the intent of leaving a training / competition venue legacy for the local club and athletes.
- To provide results for the National Athlete Ranking system (ie Canada Cup Rankings).

- To identify, track and monitor athlete development as athletes progress towards the high-performance stream. There are opportunities in this system to assess the skill level of athletes and make comparisons between those attending the event.
- To provide valuable learning experience in a reliable competition stream for our officials, judges and coaches using a defined pathway.
- Canada Cups : Late T2T - L2C. Introduction to multiphase events and to overall categories, transition from provincial events to CC. Learn to compete in a series of events.
- Juniors : T2T : For some it is an introduction at a National level event, traveling outside the province, competing and getting exposure on a National level. Introduce athletes to peak at a pinnacle event within age categories.
- FIS events : L2C - T2C. Preparing our provincial performance teams and Next Gen Teams for NorAm level competitions, having a format similar or identical as NorAms.
- Current FC Competition pathway:



## Guiding Principles

- ✓ Athletes should only compete in 2 LTAD stages
- ✓ Development stream promotes training and start gate opportunities (ex: best of formats)
- ✓ Athletes should consistently finish top half before moving to the next layer
- ✓ High performance stream events promote “performance on demand” by implementing elimination phases
- ✓ Training-to-Competition Ratio is heavily weighted towards Training in the Development stream

## 3 ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

The Organizing Committee (OC) is the group led by one or more officials that can either represent the local club, the P/TSO, the NSO, the ski resort or a combination of these groups. The OC will:

- **execute a formal agreement with the host ski area and Freestyle Canada that sets out the rights, obligations, and expectations of both parties with respect to the staging of the Canada Cup.**
- **host the event**

Potential Hosting Grant: Freestyle Canada and The P/TSO and Club may jointly apply for Provincial/Territorial Hosting Grants. Freestyle Canada may provide financial support as they are able, based on the Freestyle Canada annual budget and Freestyle Canada’s strategic plan. **Terms of the Freestyle Canada Grant may be found in the Event Agreement.**

## 4 ATHLETE COMPETITION READINESS

There are different levels of events in the Canada Cup circuit, teams will need to refer to the specific event invitation and the athlete eligibility below to learn the event eligibility. In their event invitations, organizers should communicate the LTAD level the event is targeting.

#### 4.1 **General Guidelines:**

- LTAD Stages within Canada Cup:
  - Learn to Compete,
  - Experienced Train to Train athletes who need to experience a higher level of events can enter Canada Cup events instead of provincial events. Consideration is based on:
    - Skill level
    - A coach recommendation, including verification of the athlete’s ability to manage the terrain.
    - Formal P/TSO endorsement
    - Approval by Events and officials’ coordinator for specific quotas at events
    - Age requirements if FIS sanctioned event
  - Train to Compete athletes who are looking for more competitive experiences as guided by their coach.
  - Coaches are considered as their athlete’s expert, at all moment they can refuse a spot for a security and/or ethical matter
- All athletes at the Canada Cup level must have a minimum of a Provincial Athlete License. Please consult event invitations for specific license requirements.
- Air Qualification is required for all inverted maneuvers, as designated by a qualified Air coach (a random verification of air qualification will be done for every event)
- It is strongly recommended that the coaches of the athletes be certified Comp Intro.

Events that have FIS designation will follow the FIS Rules and Guidelines. Athletes require a FIS license, active FIS number and appropriate insurance to compete in a FIS event. Inquiries for FIS licenses can be made to <https://freestylecanada.ski/membership/individual-membership/>

#### 4.2 **Canada Cup Policy for High Performance Program Athletes**

Participants at the Canada Cup events are generally those who have not yet reached the National Team program. There are four events where available identified National Team athletes are expected to compete:

- FIS Apex Classic Mogul events,
- FIS Canadian Mogul Championships (Sr)



- FIS Canadian Aerials Championships (Sr)
- FIS Canadian Slopestyle/Big Air Championships (Sr)

\*With approval from their coach, a specific National Team athlete may at times attend other Canada Cup events as part of their specific training and recovery.

National Team athletes will be ranked on the official final results and are eligible for medals and any prize money

- Due to the size of some fields, the jury may make further adjustments: this will be discussed at the first team captains' meeting.
- NextGen National Team athletes will be included in the Canada Cup rankings and are eligible for associated awards and grants.

## 5 OFFICIAL RESULTS:

### 5.1 The Official Results sheet must contain the following information:

- The official results are made official following an inspection by the Chief of Scoring, the Technical Delegate and the Head Judge, and Chief of competition officializes the results by posting approved results on the event's group chat.
- Results from qualifiers, semi-finals and finals must be published.
- Results from any form of live scoring is considered "unofficial"
- OC must upload PDF and CSV results immediately following the competition to Freestyle Canada's National drive
- OC must send live scoring links to [jared@freestylecanada.ski](mailto:jared@freestylecanada.ski), [charles@freestylecanada.ski](mailto:charles@freestylecanada.ski) and [julien@freestylecanada.ski](mailto:julien@freestylecanada.ski).
- FIS ICR rules will be used to determine any ties

## 5.2 Canadian Junior Championships Score Calculations must include the following:

- Results by discipline and by age category (medal ceremony for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> in each category)
  - Freestyle Canada reserves the right to merge categories if there are less than 5 athletes in one of the categories.
  
- Results by discipline must be created for the combined winners. There is 1 medal ceremony per age category.
  
- The combined will only be put in place if the respective combined disciplines are being organized under one event.
  
- Combined Champions:
  - Must compete in all related disciplines to be eligible for Freeski (SS/HP/BA) or Freestyle (MO/DM/AE)
    - Results from Slopestyle, Big Air & Halfpipe are combined.
    - Results from Single Moguls, Dual Moguls & Aerials are combined.
  - Using the FIS WC Point System (WC RULES - 1.7.1), placing points are allocated to the top 15 ranked athletes in each discipline. The athlete with the highest point sum, coming from their three (3) events, is ranked the highest.
  
  - Tie Breaker Rule:
    - The athlete ranked the highest in Slopestyle or Moguls will move ahead

## 5.3 Calculation of Results & Announcement of Awards

- Scoring will be done using a Freestyle Canada approved scoring program. All results, immediately after having been made official, shall be uploaded directly on FC's National drive
  
- Live Scoring: Scores taken by the scorekeeper and published on the live feed shall be considered unofficial scores. Whenever possible, unofficial scores should be announced to the public over loudspeakers and/or posted on the group chat of course for athletes and coaches to see.

#### 5.4 **Canada Cup presented by Toyo Tires Ranking**

- The Canada Cup Ranking Criteria will be posted annually on the Freestyle Canada website under Event Policies. <https://www.freestylecanada.ski/policies/event-policies/>
- The Current Canada Cup Series Rankings will be posted on the Freestyle Canada website
- The Canada Cup Series Ranking will be updated after every event.

## **6 EVENT REGISTRATION**

Invitation: The Organizing Committee will distribute the Official Event Invitation to the PSOs no later than 60 days before the first day of Official Training. The invitation must include the following:

- Quotas (if applicable)
- Athlete Eligibility
- Format details
- Statement of Rule alignment
- Registration link (must be on SnowReg), fees, dates and deadlines and contact information directly to registrar
- Freestyle Canada /FIS License requirement (and any other prerequisites)
- If the event has FIS Status
- Event schedule
- Time and location of first team captain's meeting
- Accommodations
- Banquets and ceremonies
- Names of key Organizing Committee members
- Names of key technical officials, if available

- Confirmed Sponsors with logo placement as per Event Agreement
- Key Contact information

### 6.1 Entry Fees

The following entry fees are recommended guidelines that cover the expenses of the event. Event budgets and costs to the athletes will be considered. All entry fees must be approved by Freestyle Canada.

- 1 day event \$240
- 2 day event \$280
- 3 day event \$300
- FIS events \$300

### 6.2 Refund Policy

Once an athlete is confirmed on a start list, refunds will not be issued. In the case of an injury the coach must notify the registration desk, to inform you that an athlete is injured and unable to ski **before the Team Captains meeting the day before the first** competition day. In this case athletes are entitled to partial refunds of up to 50% per event. Requests for refunds for other extraordinary circumstances shall be considered only at the discretion of the Organizing Committee. If an event is canceled due to weather or exceptional circumstances no refunds will be provided (the organizing committee has already incurred all costs for the event).

### 6.3 Registration Timelines

Canada cup events have fixed quotas, however, there is registration priority given to NextGen teams. P/TSO's will have to confirm quota numbers 2 months prior to each event and athlete's list 1 month prior to each event (alternates will be considered until the first day of practice).

- 60 Days: invitation publish & circulation deadline
- Registration closes 2 weeks before the first day of training of the event (exception for last minute replacements)
- Athletes need to register in the indicated timelines in the invitation

- If an athlete doesn't register in the given timelines, the spot will be given to the next athlete
- Wait List can be kept if registration is full. When spots open, athletes will be notified.
- Alternate athletes will be considered until the beginning of the first day of practice. Once practice has started, the competition field will be locked.

If applicable, spots can be reserved for FC Next Gen Team.

#### 6.4 Coaches lift tickets:

- OC has to provide free lift tickets for coaches.
- The ratio for coaches lift ticket is 1 per 4 athletes (there is no minimum of athletes)
- Coach license required
- Coaches/staff need to register on the SnowReg link

#### 6.5 Out of Country / Foreign Quotas Canada Cup Athlete Policy

Foreign athlete's coaches or National SKI Associations who wish to compete in a Canadian domestic competition should e-mail their request to Julien Dufresne (julien@freestylecanada.ski) with their intent to ski (specific to each competition they wish to participate at).

- Six weeks before the start of official training for each competition, Freestyle Canada will rank the requests from foreign athletes based on their FIS points.
- A maximum of 30 spots can be kept depending on the field size for each event and Canadian registration\*Can exceed if canadian spots aren't taken
- Priority will be based on FIS points
- The OC will provide foreign spot details in the event Invitation.
- The next ranked athletes per gender will be offered unfilled spots or added to the waiting list.
- Three weeks before the first day of official training, those on the waiting list will have their rankings updated and any further available spots will be offered.
  - The top athletes are invited to register (and pay) and those below the line are notified that they are on the waitlist
  - New requests are added to the pending list and the FIS points are again noted for each foreign athlete.

- Remaining available spots are offered to the athletes in descending order on the list.

Please visit the charts below to see the Quota rules for each event section 8.

## 7 CANADA CUP RULES

The Canada Cup Rules are guided by the ICR. When the ICR and Canada Cup rules conflict, the Canada Cup rules will take precedence.

### 7.1 Emergency Action Plan (EAP) and First Responders (Ski Patrol)

- All Canada Cup Event Organizers must complete an Emergency Action Plan and share it with the Technical Delegate of the event. The Emergency Action Plan should have the following information:
  - Name of Lead Ski Patrol
  - Competition venue medical services, including number and location of ski patrol and appropriate medical equipment;
  - On-site accident response protocols;
  - Transportation protocols for patient transport to a medical facility, including ground and air ambulance transport (if necessary);
  - Location of nearest hospital and Level 1 Trauma Centre;
  - Maps of all medical facilities in relation to Host Mountain
- The Event Organizer shall provide a minimum of 2 ski patrollers on competition sites at all times; this includes training and competition days. If an athlete is injured and if both Ski Patrollers are required to escort athletes off the course, the competition must not begin until 2 Ski Patrollers and a backboard have returned to the top of the course. Ski Patrollers must be registered Members of the Canadian Ski Patroller System.

### 7.2 Knoll Master Risk Management Plan Protocol (MO/DM/AE/SS/BA)

- A Knoll Master or Jump Spotter are important positions that are responsible for opening and closing jumps so that athletes who are entering jumps are notified that the landing is not clear.
- Mandatory position for each day of the event, at least 1 person per knoll.

- A knoll Master must be positioned on the Knuckle of the jump with clear visibility of the landing and visible to the athlete entering the take-off.
- For Slopestyle, the knoll master must have a flagging device and in the event of a closure they will wave the flag in clear sightline to the athletes entering the feature. This indicates that the jump is closed. For Aerials, a clear signage that the landing is clear or not and in Moguls a bamboo to close or open the jump.
- Athletes are trained to see closures from the knuckle and if there's a signal, it is the athlete's responsibility to close down their entry.
- The first priority of the Knoll Master is to shut down their jump for the safety of the athletes. The Second priority is to notify the course controllers (starter and other knoll masters) that their jump is closed.
- The Knoll Master Protocol is to be discussed at the team leaders meeting prior to official training.

### 7.3 Practice

- Knoll masters need to be on site and any security requirements must be installed as per TD request. The OC will meet with their assigned TD with a site plan to confirm what needs to be in place for safety.
- Each Canada Cup Event must provide 2 days of practice training before the day of competition.
  - Minimum requirement is to have 2 members of Jury present during the 2nd practice day
- For Moguls, keep Men and Women training separate. Run 1 training block for both Q1 and Q2. Finals should have official mixed training prior to finals start. Exceptions can be made for Jr Nationals with the Events Director's approval.

### 7.4 Interruption of Competition, as listed in ICR 3060.2.4

If there is an interruption of a competition, the competition should be resumed when conditions warrant. The results completed before the interruption will remain valid if it is possible to complete the competition on the same day.

Otherwise, the results prior to the interruption will be canceled except if the Qualifications or some phases or rounds of the finals have been fully completed. In that case, only the uncompleted Finals phases will be postponed but must be completed on the same competition site. If the Finals cannot be fully completed the results of the Qualifications or different phases of the Final will be valid.

### 7.5 **Weather Day**

There is no expectation to have a weather day planned because the cost to an Organizing Committee is prohibitive. Weather challenges will be discussed with the Jury and FC Competitions Director. In the case of bad weather formats can be altered with a jury decision to accommodate a fair event.

### 7.6 **Snow Control date**

All Canada Cup Hosts are expected to demonstrate capacity to build a course that meets Canada Cup Terrain Specifications 2 weeks out before the first training date. In the event of poor snow conditions, the OC and Freestyle Canada will work on an alternative plan a minimum of 3 weeks from the first practice day.

### 7.7 **Forerunners**

A maximum of 2 forerunners per gender per competition will be allowed. The hosting P/TSO will determine and guide the organizing committee on forerun spot allocation, they must submit their forerunners 2 weeks before the event. If the delay is passed or there are available spots, FC will allocate the spots.

\*Spots can be added for National Team athletes coming back from injury

### 7.8 **Loss of equipment and DNF**

Please refer to ICR : P&P 3612.3 MO 4210.3.2 AE 4115.2

We will refer to ICR for equipment use, meaning, among others, that poles will be mandatory for P&P events.

### 7.9 **Re-run Aerials**

In the Aerials competition only one re-run per phase may be granted for loss of ski(s) after takeoff and before landing. FIS ICR 4118



### 7.10 Pace Set Time Rules

- FIS events will use the current FIS rule 4207.2
- Canada Cup will use **FIS Pace Set: Men = 10.3 meters / sec, Women 9 Meters / sec.**
- Canadian Junior Championships pace set will be calculated after the 1st run by taking the top 3 athletes by gender, determined by combined turn & air scores – (no speed,) and averaging the 3 times. Speed points will then be calculated by using this pace set TIME.

### 7.11 Timing

All Canada Cup events that use timing will ideally have back up electronic timing, and also are required to have back-up hand timing. It is recommended to use Time of Day settings in establishing lap times for runs. In the case that hand-timers are required the designated “A” hand timing will be used, unless the TD ascertains that the “B” hand timing is more accurate and will therefore be used in any need for hand timing.

### 7.12 Alterations to The Course

Coaches and athletes are prohibited from making changes to the course without the permission of the Chief of Course and/or Chief of Competition and/or TD; this restriction is specifically focused on jump take-offs.

At the Canada Cup level coaches should provide feedback on course/jump safety, to the Chief of Course, Chief of Competition or the TD as regular feedback throughout the day; formal feedback should be provided at Team Leaders Meetings.

If coaches and/or athletes feel a safety concern has not been addressed, the connection coach should immediately bring the issue to the attention of the Jury and recognized a minimum Air4B certified expert should be consulted.

### 7.13 Protests

For FIS events, coaches should be familiar with the ICR 3050 regulations around protests. It may fall onto the TD to educate the coaches on this section if there is a problem which requires an official protest.

For non-FIS events at the Canada Cup level, in the event that a coach brings forward a concern to a member of the Jury, the Jury at the Canada Cup may consider the issue without having a complaint in writing. If needed, the Jury will make a decision on the protest. The Jury members are responsible to share any issues under consideration with the TD prior to confirming a decision.

#### 7.14 **Use of Video for Disputes**

The Jury may view video to resolve disputes or to determine needs for a rerun. Judges' scores CANNOT be altered based on video review although DD may be corrected.

Video review may be used to resolve disputes for assigned degree of difficulty in air jump, if the case is clearly presented prior to approval of official results and approved by the Head Judge.

#### 7.15 **Designation of a connecting coach**

A connecting coach shall be designated prior to the event by FC. The connecting coach will act as the main point of contact with the Jury to report any concerns about the course, schedule, judging and or safety of the event to the jury. The jury members at a Canada Cup event are ; Technical Delegate, Head Judge and Chief of Competition. This communication process will ensure a safe and respectful environment for participants and organizers.

#### 7.16 **Group chats**

A group chat using Whatsapp or a similar app shall be created for each event to ensure clear communications around formats, schedules or any other information judged relevant to share from the OC to the coaches. These groups are used for the OC to communicate with the coaches and shall be set up that way. Any concerns from the coaches or athletes should be communicated through the connecting coach to a Jury member or at a Team's leader meeting.

#### 7.17 **Sanction Process**

Members of the Jury and Freestyle Canada's representatives can give warnings to athletes part of the competition or any person on or around the field of play. In case of a second warning, the athlete or person concerned will be disqualified and/or expelled from the competition site. If the person presents an unacceptable behavior/attitude, the person will be expelled immediately (and disqualified if applicable).

Every warning and expulsion shall be shared by the TD to FC for revision and shall be passed

along to the next OC and Jury. More consequences may follow after revision of each situation.

Members of the Jury or a Freestyle Canada representative can act on something they have seen or heard from another official on the competition site.

They will act according to :

[FC's Code of Conduct and Ethics](#)

[FC's Discipline and Complaints Policy](#)

### 7.18 Air Qualifications

Air Qualification is required for all inverted maneuvers, as designated by a qualified Air coach (5 random verifications of air qualification will be done for every non-FIS event). The TD should connect with FC's events staff ([Charles@freestylecanada.ski](mailto:Charles@freestylecanada.ski) and/or [Julien@freestylecanada.ski](mailto:Julien@freestylecanada.ski)) to get the latest list of qualified inverts.

- For purposes of clarification Misty, Rodeo, Flat Spin, Flair, Cork, Bio and Underflip are all considered by FC to be inverted maneuvers
- An athlete that has qualified an invert with a twist can perform all inverts with twists in that axis (this applies for back or front or side-ways inverts)
- For Park and Pipe, an athlete that has qualified a double invert with a twist can perform all double inverts with twists in that axis (this applies for back or front or side-ways inverts)

## 8 EVENT FORMATS & QUOTAS

- There will be some variation in formats due to weather, field size and venue restrictions. Any changes to format at event time will be a jury decision and discussed at the first Team Captains Meeting.
- Organizers and the Jury are responsible to ensure that event formats are fair for both gender athletes.
- Formats must be clearly communicated in the Event Invite.

- Any changes in format or schedule must be a jury decision, discussed with the FC Director or coordinator of events.
- Provide equal safe, competitive experiences to each gender. Given quotas will be equal between genders at the start of the process.
- Unused Spots: Any unused spots may be moved to the other gender. Again, Freestyle Canada will manage this.
- Where possible, provide Qualification and Final round opportunities.
- Adequate, dedicated time allocated for training for each gender. Training times can vary at each resort and is based on how many runs an athlete can get over a period of time.

### 8.1 Moguls

<b>Apex Classic (FIS event)</b>	
<b>FIELD SIZE &amp; QUOTA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Field Size: 110</li> <li>▪ National team program athletes have priority.</li> <li>▪ Maximum of 80 Canadian spots</li> <li>▪ Priority of quota allocation:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. National team athletes</li> <li>2. Every athlete that earned points on the 2023-2024 Mogul HPP ranking.</li> <li>3. The 2023-2024 Canada Cup ranking will be used to select the following athletes</li> <li>4. 5 wild cards spots will be kept for injured athletes and fast progressions cases</li> <li>5. Unused Canadian spots will go to Foreign athletes</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ FIS age/license required: DOB year 2011 and earlier (see ICR 2013.4) for the FIS event.</li> <li>▪ All athletes should have the appropriate skill level for a FIS level course:</li> </ul>

<b>ELIGIBILITY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Guiding principle: Athletes should be top 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of their Provincial events AND able to compete one 360 and/or invert in a Canada Cup level course.</i></li> <li>▪ Foreign athletes need to be registered by their National Ski Association and approved by Freestyle Canada.</li> </ul>
<b>FORMAT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ SINGLE MOGULS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ One run Qualification;</li> <li>○ Top 16 advance to finals 1</li> <li>○ Top 6 advance to finals 2 - medal round</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Dual Moguls</p> <p>Duals from the start : FIS points for seeding and results of Singles</p> <p><b>**Formats and Finals field size can be adjusted by the Jury in consultation with a Freestyle Canada representative.</b></p>
<b>Canada Cups</b>	
<b>FIELD SIZE &amp; QUOTA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Field Size: 85</li> <li>▪ Top 10 female athletes and top 10 male athletes from the 2023-2024 Canada Cup rankings will have a spot for both Canada Cups (excluding National team athletes) : if an athlete doesn't take his/her spot, the spot will go back to the P/TSO they competed for in 2023-2024</li> <li>▪ Base quota of 15 spots per P/TSO</li> <li>▪ If spots remain and upon P/TSO extra spot request, membership per discipline will be factored in reallocation</li> </ul>
<b>ELIGIBILITY</b>	<p>Must have at minimum a FC Provincial level athlete license and be registered. PSOs and coaches need to make sure athletes are ready to take on the course specifications and relative skill level required. <i>Guiding principle: Athletes should be top 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of their Provincial events AND able to compete one 360 and/or invert in a Canada Cup level course.</i></p>
<b>FORMAT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ SINGLE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>2 Qualification runs, best of 2 runs advances to final.</b></li> <li>○ Q2: Same run order.</li> <li>○ FINALS: 16 athletes total for Finals : 8 women and 8 men</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ DUALS:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Duals from the start : seeding according to results from singles Ski lane will be attributed randomly (follow brackets)</li> </ul> </li> <li>**Formats and Finals field size can be adjusted by the Jury in consultation with a Freestyle Canada staff member.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No Repeats for same jump categories (ex: can't do a back tuck and a back flip mute grab. Can't do 7op &amp; 7oG. Can't do a 360 and a 360 with a grab). Same category jumps are allowed with additional rotations or more difference (ex: 360 &amp; 720, or 7o &amp; 10o)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>Canadian Mogul Championships</b></p>	
<p><b>FIELD SIZE &amp; QUOTA</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Field Size: 100</li> <li>▪ National team program athletes have priority.</li> <li>▪ Maximum of 85 Canadian spots</li> <li>▪ Athletes are selected on eligibility, no P/TSO quotas.</li> </ul>
<p><b>ELIGIBILITY</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ FIS age/license required: DOB year 2011 and earlier (see ICR 2013.4) for the FIS event.</li> <li>▪ National Team Athletes</li> <li>▪ HPP rankings following the last NorAm event</li> <li>▪ Remaining spots will be allocated according to the Canada Cup Ranking after the Beaver Valley Canada Cup</li> <li>▪ Up to 5 Wild Card spots will be kept for athletes who were injured during the season</li> </ul>
	<p><b>SINGLES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ SINGLE MOGULS:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ One run Qualification;</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<b>FORMAT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Top 16 advance to finals 1</li> <li>○ Top 6 advance to finals 2 - medal round</li> </ul> <p><b>DUALS:</b></p> <p>Duals from the start : Seeding using latest FIS points list and results of Singles</p> <p>Ski lane will be attributed randomly (follow brackets)</p> <p><b>**Formats and Finals field size can be adjusted by the Jury in consultation with Freestyle Canada.</b></p>
<b>Canadian Junior Championships</b>	
<b>FIELD SIZE &amp; QUOTA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Field Size: 100</li> <li>▪ Canadian Junior Championships Freestyle Skiing Championships Quota will be given to P/TSOs for each athlete to enter all 3 AE/MO/DM events, not by discipline (refer to Junior National Quota policy)</li> </ul>
<b>ELIGIBILITY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Age categories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>U14 (12 &amp; 13)</li> <li>U16 (14 &amp; 15)</li> <li>U18 (16 &amp; 17)</li> </ul> <p>Age categories based on January 1<sup>st</sup> 2025</p> </li> <li>▪ Age categories can be merged if needed as per Canada Cup Guidelines 5.2.</li> <li>▪ Aerials: 25 spots are to be saved for the Aerial specialist athletes</li> <li>▪ Age exemptions are available on a case-by-case request to FC. Exemptions can be requested considering they meet quota criteria and minimum skill level for the Train-to-Train stage.</li> </ul>
<b>FORMAT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ SINGLES: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Best of 2 runs</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ DUALS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Dual from the start, seeded from Single event, run by age category. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Ski lane will be attributed randomly (follow brackets)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ No Repeats for same jump categories (ex: can't do a back tuck and a back flip mute grab. Can't do 7op &amp; 7oG. Can't do a 360 and a 360 with a grab). Same category jumps are allowed with additional rotations or more difference (ex: 360 &amp; 720, or 7o &amp; 10o)</li> <li>▪ AERIALS:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Best 2 different jumps of 3 jumps.</li> <li>○ Can repeat 1 jump</li> <li>○ <b>Upright mogul jump maneuvers (ie Twisters, Spread, Daffy etc.), loops, grabs and off-axis jumps will not be scored; however, upright tuck and pike jumps, and straight rotations (360s and 720s) will be scored for athletes not ready to perform inverts.</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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## 8.2 Halfpipe, Slopestyle, and Big Air

<b>Canada Cup</b>	
<b>FIELD SIZE &amp; QUOTA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Max field size of 85</li> <li>▪ Top 10 female athletes and top 10 male athletes from the 2023-2024 Canada Cup rankings will have a spot for all Canada Cups (excluding National team athletes) - if an athlete doesn't take his/her spot, the spot will go back to the P/TSO they competed for in 2023-2024</li> <li>▪ Base quota of 10 spots per P/TSO</li> <li>▪ Remaining spots will be distributed according to the 2023-2024 Canada Cup rankings</li> <li>▪ If spots remain and upon P/TSO extra spot request, membership per discipline will be factored in reallocation</li> <li>▪ Foreign Quota: Only unused Canadian spots can be attributed to foreign athletes, with approval from FC's Events Director.</li> </ul>
<b>ELIGIBILITY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ No Eligibility criteria but coaches need to make sure athletes are ready to take on the course specifications and relative skill level.</li> </ul>



<p><b>FORMAT</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Qualifications Slopestyle/Big Air/Half-pipe             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Best of 2 runs/jumps</li> <li>○ Heats of 20 - 30*                 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Heats may go to 35 if approved by FC director of events and Head Judge</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Use up-to-date Canada Cup ranking to evenly distribute top ranked athletes in attendance. *For the first event, the 23-24 final HPP ranking will be used.</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ FINAL Slopestyle/Big Air/Half-pipe: Men &amp; Women:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Top 40% of Qualification results move to Finals, composed of a minimum of 4 and a maximum of 20 athletes.</li> <li>● Best of 2 runs for Slopestyle/Half-pipe</li> <li>● Best 2 of 3 jumps, with 2 different direction jumps counting for final rankings for Big Air.</li> <li>● # of heats and # of athletes to be decided at the first Team Captains meeting - dependent on registration &amp; final field sizes.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>*For slopestyle : FC highly recommends qualifications and finals run on 2 separate days</p> <p>*If one gender has less than 6 athletes entered, the jury, in consultation with Freestyle Canada, may decide to run 2 separate Best of 2 run Slopestyle events, over the 2 days of competition</p>
<p><b>Canadian Junior Championships</b></p>	
<p><b>FIELD SIZE &amp; QUOTA</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Field Size: 100</li> <li>▪ Canadian Junior Championships Freeskiing Championships Quota will be given to P/TSOs for each athlete to enter all disciplines; SS / HP / BA (refer to Junior National Quota policy)</li> <li>▪ HP specialists are welcome to participate with NSO approval.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Age Categories:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>U14 (12 &amp; 13)</li> <li>U16 (14 &amp; 15)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<b>ELIGIBILITY</b>	<p>U18 (16 &amp; 17) Age categories based on January 1<sup>st</sup> 2025</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Age categories can be merged if needed as per Canada Cup Guidelines 5.2</li> <li>▪ Age exemptions are available on a case by case request to FC. Exemptions can be requested considering they meet quota criteria and minimum skill level</li> </ul>
<b>FORMAT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Best of two runs/jumps</li> <li>▪ Heats by age categories/gender*</li> </ul> <p>*Age categories can be merged in one heat, when needed.</p>
<b>Canadian SS/BA Championships</b>	
<b>FIELD SIZE &amp; QUOTA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Field Size: 100</li> <li>▪ National team program athletes have priority.</li> <li>▪ Maximum of 85 Canadian spots</li> <li>▪ Athletes are selected on eligibility, no P/TSO quotas.</li> </ul>
<b>ELIGIBILITY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ National Team Athletes</li> <li>▪ Top 25 per gender from HPP rankings following the last NorAm event</li> <li>▪ Remaining spots will be allocated according to the Canada Cup Ranking after the Wenworth Canada Cup event</li> <li>▪ Up to 5 Wild Card spots will be kept for athletes who were injured during the season or special cases</li> </ul>
<b>FORMAT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>QUALIFICATION:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Best of 2 runs/jumps</li> <li>▪ Heats of 20 - 30</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Use up-to-date HPP rankings to evenly distribute top HPP ranked athletes in attendance.</li> </ul> <p>FINAL: Men &amp; Women:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Top 40% of Qualification results move to Finals, composed of a minimum of 4 and a maximum of 20 athletes.</li> <li>▪ If one gender has less than 6 athletes entered, the jury, in consultation with Freestyle Canada, may decide to run 2 separate Best of 2 run Slopestyle events, over the 2 days of competition</li> <li>▪ # of heats and # of athletes to be decided at the first Team Captains meeting - dependent on registration &amp; final field sizes.</li> <li>▪ SS finals : Best of 2 runs</li> <li>▪ Big Air Finals: Best 2 of 3 jumps, with 2 different direction jumps counting for final rankings.</li> </ul>
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### 8.3 Aerials

<b>Canadian Aerials Championships</b>	
<b>FIELD SIZE &amp; QUOTA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ No field size or quota restrictions</li> </ul>
<b>ELIGIBILITY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ No Eligibility criteria.</li> <li>▪ Can be run as a separate 'Senior' Category at the same time as the Junior or Provincial Event.</li> </ul>
<b>FORMAT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Best 2 different jumps of 3 jumps.</li> <li>▪ Can repeat 1 jump</li> </ul>

## 9 OFFICIALS AND JUDGES POLICIES

### 9.1 Assignments

For the Canada Cup Series Technical Delegates and Judges panels are assigned by the Performance Group of OAG and CJAG and approved by FC. Assignments are calculated based on the qualifications of the officials, their geographical location and meeting the needs of the officials on their respective pathways. In all assignments geographic location is strongly considered to accommodate the OC's budget.

### 9.2 Judge panel numbers:

- Canada Cup HP/SS/BA – 5 scoring Judges, 1 Head Judge
  - Canada Cup MO/DM – 7 scoring judges, 1 Head Judge\*
  - Canadian and jr Mogul Championships – 7 scoring judges, 1 Head Judge\*
  - Canadian and jr AE Championships – 5 scoring judges, 1 head judge
  - Canadian and jr SS/BA/HP Championships – 5 scoring judges, 1 head judge
- \*5 judges can be considered, demands need to be brought up to FC Director of events 2 months before the event

### 9.3 2024-2025 Canada Cup Judges and Officials Honorarium and Per Diem Protocols

The Organizing Committee of a Canada Cup event is responsible for all costs associated with the Technical Delegate, Scoring Personnel and Judges for Canada Cup events: remuneration for any other official's positions, if offered, is negotiated with the local organizing committee.

### 9.4 Officials and Judges compensation:

- Arrival Day – Meal Per Diem (\$65/day) not organized by the OC
- Official Training Day - \$150 CAD + Per Diem of all Non-OC organized meals
- Event Day(s) - \$150 CAD + Per Diem of Non-OC organized meals

- Departure Day - if on the following day of the event, the official receives food Per Diem for travel day.

#### 9.5 Per Diem and Meal Allowances (Canada Cup)

- OC is required to pay Officials meal per-diem. Meal Per Diem for non-OC meals is:
  - \$15 CAD/breakfast
  - \$20 CAD/lunch
  - \$30 CAD/dinner

*Non OC meals = meals that is not provided by the OC*
- OC is required to provide lunch to officials on event days. Lunch will be equivalent to **\$20 CAD** value. Daily Per Diem with lunch Provided is **\$45CAD/day**
- The Judges' and officials' honorariums and meal allowance (per diem), shall be paid by cheque, e-transfer or prepaid credit cards by the start of the competition or, at the very latest, the **last event day**, within two hours of awards.
- Prepaid VISA cards given out at the start of the event are encouraged as the best way to deliver payment to officials.
- Honorarium of events not outlined in this policy shall be determined on a case-by-case basis by the Freestyle Canada Competitions Director

## 9.6 Canada Cup Officials Table

Position	Honorarium Event Day	Mileage	Per Diem	Travel Day	Training Day	Arrival Date required	Travel costs
<b>Canada Cup</b>							
Scoring Judge (Can Cup/National Champs)	\$150/day CAD	\$0.55/k m CAD	\$65/day CAD	Per diem only	150/day	Must attend 1 day of Practice	Organizing Committee
Head Judge	\$150/day CAD	\$0.55/k m CAD	\$65/day CAD	Per diem only	\$150/day	Must attend 1 day of Practice	Organizing Committee
Technical Delegate	\$150/day CAD	\$0.55/k m CAD	\$65/day CAD	Per diem only	\$150/day	Must arrive the day prior to the first day of practice	Organizing Committee
<b>FIS NorAm</b> Refer to <a href="#">FIS Rules for Snowboard Freestyle/Freeski Continental Cup</a>							
NorAm Judge (all disciplines)	\$200 CAD Equivalent of 125CHF/day on Sept 30 <sup>th</sup>	\$0.55/k m CAD	\$65CAN	\$200 CAN	\$200 CAN	Must attend 1 day of training for In person event. For remote event please refer to Continental cup rules	NSO/OC agreement
Technical Delegate	\$200 CAD Equivalent of 125CHF/day on Sept 30 <sup>th</sup>	\$0.55/k m CAD	\$65CAD	\$200 CAD	\$200 CAD	Must arrive the day prior to the first day of official training	NSO/OC agreement

### 9.7 **Head Judges:**

Head Judges shall receive 1 extra day of honorarium of \$150 for administrative duties.

### 9.8 **Travel and Accommodation for Technical Delegates and Judges**

The Organizing Committee is responsible for coordinating, booking and paying the following items for Judges and the Technical Delegate at minimum four weeks in advance:

- Booking and paying for travel –The Organizing committee has the option of using Freestyle Canada’s travel services. This optional service can help in coordinating traveling plans and requires a credit card to be submitted to the agency; there are booking fees. An OC can book travel and accommodation using their own resources.
- Freestyle Canada Travel Contacts
  - Boulevard Travel: Yolanda Nortje, yolandan@boulevardtravel.com 403-237-6233
- Event Accommodation – The OC is responsible for booking hotel rooms for all judges and the Technical Delegate. It is recommended that both the Head Judge and Technical Delegate have their own room. Scoring judges can share rooms to cut costs.
- Rental car, if needed – Renter must have a valid driver’s license, usually have a valid credit card in their name and be over the age of 25. OC to work closely with renter on pick up and drop off details.
- TRAVEL is the most expensive cost for an OC; it is prudent to coordinate it in a cost-effective way.

### 9.9 **Expense Protocol**

Submitting Expenses: All Judges and Technical Delegates are responsible to submit copies of receipts and the Canada Cup Expense Form, by email, to the OC within 2 weeks of the last event day. Judges or Technical Delegates should not give members of the OC receipts at any time during the event. This form will be available online on the Freestyle Canada website.

### 9.10 **Expenses**

- Alcohol is not an eligible expense.

- All expenses for officials and judges are the responsibility of the Organizing Committee unless specified otherwise in the event agreement.
  - Eligible Expenses includes:
    - Extra Baggage: Judges and the Technical Delegate are permitted to submit receipts for up to 2 checked bags, if judges check more than 2 bags, those additional costs are the responsibility of the Judge or Technical Delegate
    - Taxi receipts
    - Parking at Airport
    - Mileage: Officials and Judges must have driven a minimum of 80km round trip to be eligible to claim mileage at 0.55\$/km.
    - Gas for rental car – must show copies of gas receipts to receive expenses
  
- **\*Mileage versus taxi to airport:** Judges and Technical Delegate must take the cheapest option. Please consider the number of days the car will be in the parking garage etc.

## 10 THE JURY AND COMPETITION POSITIONS

The Jury shall consist of:

- Technical Delegate (TD)
- Chief of Competition (CC)
- Head Judge (HJ)

### 10.1 Technical Delegate

The Technical Delegates (TDs) will be appointed by Freestyle Canada. The TD must be a Freestyle Canada recognized national level TD. TDs can come from the host division but must not be part of the Organizing Committee and should not be from the host resort and/or club.

### 10.2 Chief of Course and Chief of Competition

- Payment is not required, however strongly encouraged if the budget permits.



- The Chief of Competition is the leader of the organizing committee and sits on the Jury to make sure the event operations are all running smoothly. This position requires important decision making and should be an experienced official.
- The Chief of Course is a key member of the technical team. Any person in charge of course management and development must have significant experience in building courses.
- The Moguls Chief of Course must work closely with visiting provincial and local provincial coaches to prepare and maintain the air jumps.
- The Slopestyle Chief of Course must work with the local Terrain Park Manager and the FC's events department to ensure the terrain is appropriate to accommodate the number of features and skill level of athletes at least one month prior. Often this is a collaborative effort between the 3 parties.
- The Chief of Competition and/or Slopestyle Chief of Course must report if there are challenges with the course to the P/TSO and Freestyle Canada as soon as possible.
- The builder of The Slopestyle, Halfpipe, and Air courses MUST communicate to Freestyle Canada, and the Chief of Course at least one month prior to the event that the course meets the terrain standards for T2T and L2C female and male athletes.

### 10.3 Judges

All judges for Canada Cup Moguls and Dual Moguls must have a minimum FIS "C" License or ideally B and the Head Judge should be either a FIS "B" or "A" Licensed judge. All judges for Moguls and Dual Moguls are assigned by the CJAG assignment group and approved by FC.

For Canada Cup Halfpipe and Slopestyle events, judges should have a FIS A or B license. FIS C license would only be considered with approval from Freestyle Canada.

The Head Judge for Canada Cup Halfpipe and Slopestyle must have a minimum FIS B and is ideally FIS A.

### Judges' responsibilities, duties & procedures

To adjudicate and rank every competitor fairly, without bias, without regard to former impressions, and without regard to the competitor's national affiliation, competition, colour or creed.

A judge shall not predict outcomes in advance, or take part in betting on the competition where he/she is part of the judge panel.

To follow the FIS judging criteria as described in the Judges Handbook in all aspects -

Judges may not be assigned to competition which a family member is participating (children, brother, sister, husband & wife) For the detailed responsibilities and duties refer to the Judges Handbook.

#### 10.3.1 Role of the Head Judge:

- The Head Judge is responsible for communicating and coordinating with the administration of the Organizing Committee on behalf of all the judge panel.
- Judges are to be assigned by the Performance committees on CJAG (Canadian Judges Advisory Group) and is based on education and experience level. First and foremost, Judges must be qualified to the level of event they are assigned to, but geographical location is also considered for assignments.
- The Head Judge or an appointed representative of the judges' panel must attend the Team Captain's meeting prior to the first day of competition.
- The Head Judge shall be available for a minimum of 10 minutes after the awards presentation to answer questions from the coaches.
- Please see Head Judge Handbook

#### 10.3.2 Judges Stand:

- The Judges stand should provide a heating source. Ideally electrical, if an electrical heater is not available, please avoid any open flame system. If a propane space heater is used, make sure it is safely installed and has indirect heating, ie no open flame on or under the judges' stand.



Example of indirect heating system.

- The temporary judges' tower must be safe for judges, athletes, coaches, and volunteers. It is recommended to install stabilizers in front and behind the scaffolding or attach it using cables anchored in concrete blocks or under the ground. The OC must provide safe scaffolding for the judges' tower during the events.
- There must be a toilet and/or washrooms within 2 minutes of the judges stand

#### 10.4 Scoring

- 2024/2025 Canada Cup events will be scored by Freestyle Solutions (FIS events only), Winfree for Moguls/Aerials and Live Heats for SS/HP/BA.
- It is recommended a Chief of Scoring is a paid position. Freestyle Canada will provide support in finding capable trained scorers for the Canada Cup.
- Scorers are very important to the overall execution of the event. They are required to operate the scoring software, create start lists, organize heats, tabulate scores, and provide results.
- Scorers usually begin to work on the event one week before the event starts. There should be a registration list sent to the Chief of Scoring 5 days before the first training day. The registration list must be in XLS format.
- The Event Organizer must have access to a photocopier and strong WIFI throughout the competition. The Chief of Scoring must also have a comfortable workstation and must work with the Head Judge on how the scoring is to be tabulated.
- The Chief of Scoring is an important role and requires assistants and runners that can keep scoring accurate and keep the event flowing. If scoring goes down, then the whole event is affected.

- Any further inquiries, please contact Charles-Antoine Morache, FC's Director of events:  
[charles@freestylecanada.ski](mailto:charles@freestylecanada.ski)

#### 10.5 **Terrain guidelines:**

Freestyle Canada has created very specific guidelines for training and competition venues which are aligned with the athletes' abilities at each stage of development. These guidelines are used for our venues to ensure a supportive and safe environment. Please go to the Freestyle Canada <https://www.freestylecanada.ski/resources/competition-and-terrain/>

Resources:

All FIS Rules and ICR's

<https://www.fis-ski.com/en/inside-fis/document-library/freestyle-freeski-documents>

Freestyle Canada Resource Center – JUDGES | OFFICIALS | TERRAIN | COMPETITION

<http://www.freestylecanada.ski/en/resources/>

## 11 CANADA CUP MARKETING AGREEMENT

- The Event Organizer shall encourage the Host Mountain to include information on the Event in its promotional and marketing activities during the period leading up to and through the Event.
- The Event Organizer shall ensure FC corporate and non-corporate partners receive appropriate exposure on site, in advertising and on collateral materials during the Event.
- Event Organizers are encouraged to promote photo, video, television and social media coverage. Should the OC wish to make and use video or film footage of the event for commercial purposes, they require written consent from FC's Director of Events, which must be made a minimum of 4 weeks prior to the event.
- The Event Organizer will provide the Host Mountain logo exposure on the Event poster and in the Event program, should such items be produced.
- The Event Organizer is permitted to negotiate sponsorship opportunities to corporate partners of the Host Mountain provided these corporate partners do not compete with FC sponsors in the same sponsorship categories. The OC can sell Title Sponsorship for the Event; the Canada Cup Series is the property of Freestyle Canada; however the Event individually can sell to a partner of the OC with permission of FC.
- The Event Organizer will inform local media of the Event prior to the Event and provide results, short news release and pictures post-event.
- If the Event Organizer secures a sponsor that would like to have their logo included on the event bib. Event Organizers are responsible for the full cost of bib production. The following are FC logo and partnership recognition requirements:
  - The upper 1/3 of the bib is exclusive to Canada Cup Tour Title Sponsor. The middle 1/3 of the bib is used for the athlete number. The bottom 1/3 of the bib is for use by the OC and is normally dedicated to the host ski area. One shoulder, front and back, must have the FC logo. The other shoulder, front and back, may be used by the OC. The OC must provide FC with all required logos in a vector-formatted file (.eps, .ai). The OC must provide directions for logo usage in the OC dedicated areas no later than 8 weeks prior to the competition.
- Sponsorship Sales and Television

- Sales activities shall be closely coordinated between FC and OC. Consistent with this, sales responsibilities may be delegated from FC to OC or from the OC to FC if this is agreed to by both parties.
- FC will permit OC to sell sponsorship for the Event, provided the sponsors do not compete or conflict with FC Sponsors and product categories already sold by FC. A list of product categories and sponsors is available from FC upon request by OC
- FC shall retain the right to all television properties related to the Event, and to all aspects of the production of such television properties
- Additional Sponsors The Event Organizer may secure secondary sponsors. Use of secondary sponsor logos and graphics must be smaller and less prominent than the FC trademarks and logos or any other title sponsor if secured.

Any questions regarding marketing arrangements contact Events Director -  
charles@freestylecanada.ski