

2025-2026 NATIONAL HIGH PERFORMANCE PROGRAM and AAP CARDING NOMINATIONS

Congratulations to the athletes who have been nominated to the National High Performance Program based on the criteria outlined in the Nordiq Canada *National High Performance Program Selection Criteria 2025-26* and to those who will be nominated to Sport Canada to receive AAP carding under the *Athlete Assistance Program Selection Criteria 2025-26*. All nominations were reviewed and supported by the High Performance Committee.

Selection Rationale

- The goal of NHPP and AAP selection criteria is to select athletes who are following the performance pathway progression in relation to global competitors to achieve podium success at the Olympic Winter Games and World Ski Championships.
- AAP carding type nominations are not finalized and subject to change upon review and acceptance by Sport Canada.
- Team and AAP criteria descriptions are abbreviated versions of the criteria. Selection was competed using the full criteria description within the selection documents.
- Development team size set to ten (10) athletes, comprised of five (5) males and five (5) females.
- Athletes must meet all eligibility requirements in the NHPP and AAP carding selection criteria to be selected or nominated.

The deadline to appeal the NHPP and AAP carding nominations is **May 12, 11:59 PM in the athlete's residing time zone**. Appeals must be submitted in writing to Nordiq Canada's Appeal Manager, **Stefano Mingarelli**, at stefmingarelli@gmail.com.

There is a \$250 fee payable to Nordiq Canada upon submission of an appeal. It's highly recommended having a discussion with the HPD before submitting an appeal.

The HPC oversaw the athlete nomination selection process as per the *Nordiq Canada Selection, Nominations and Announcement* policy. Committee members are:

- Graham Nishikawa (athlete rep – Para)
- Devon Kershaw (athlete rep – Olympic)
- Maria Lundgren (BC)
- Pauline Nadlersmith (MB)
- John Lofranco (Athletics Canada)
- Julie Beaulieu (Nordiq Canada)
- Chris Jeffries (Nordiq Canada)

Final athlete selections were approved by Chris Jeffries, High Performance Director: cjeffries@nordiqcanada.ca

NATIONAL SKI TEAM						
Athlete	A Team Criteria	Team Criteria Description	AAP Criteria	AAP Criteria Description	Example/Evidence	Card Type
Antoine Cyr	6.6.a.ii	Top-8 AND top half of field WSC team event	5.1.a	Finish in top 8 AND top half of field at WSC or OWG.	5 th WSC Relay, Trondheim, NOR 9 th 15 km C Mst WC Toblach, ITA	SR1
Olivier Léveillé	6.6.a.ii	SAME AS ABOVE	5.1.a	SAME AS ABOVE	5 th WSC Relay, Trondheim, NOR 10 th 20 km C WC Olso, NOR	SR1
Xavier McKeever	6.6.a.ii	SAME AS ABOVE	5.1.a	SAME AS ABOVE	5 th WSC Relay, Trondheim, NOR 20 th SP F Final WC Falun, SWE	SR1
Max Hollmann	6.6.a.ii	SAME AS ABOVE	5.1.a	SAME AS ABOVE	5 th WSC Relay, Trondheim, NOR 33 rd 20 km F Mst, Ruka, FIN	SR1
Katherine Stewart-Jones	6.6.c	Top-12 WC or WSC individual final finish race result	5.3.a	Athletes qualified for A Team on point 6.6 in order of qualification.	4 th 20 km F WC Toblach, ITA 7 th 15 km C Pursuit, WC Val di Fiemme, ITA	SR
Sonjaa Schmidt	6.6.c	SAME AS ABOVE	5.3.a	SAME AS ABOVE	4 th SP F Final WC Engadine, SUI 23 rd 20 km F Mst WC Engadine, SUI	SR
Liliane Gagnon	6.6.d	Top-3 U23 WSC or WJR individual final finish race result	5.3.a	SAME AS ABOVE	3 rd U23 WSC 10 km F, Schilpario, ITA 3 rd U23 WSC 20 km C Mst, Schilpario, ITA 15 th 20 km F Mst WC Engadine, SUI	SR
Alison Mackie	6.6.d	SAME AS ABOVE	5.3.a	SAME AS ABOVE	3 rd WJR 10 km F, Schilpario, ITA 3 rd WJR 20 km C Mst, Schilpario, ITA 26 th 50 km C Mst, WC Lahti, NOR	SR
Graham Ritchie	6.6.e	HPD Discretion	5.3.a	SAME AS ABOVE	4 th WSC Team Sprint 2023	SR
RATIONALE: Graham was on injury status from December 2023 until December 2024. He returned to competition in 2025 following an approved Return to Performance Plan to integrate back into competition. Graham is nominated based on meeting objective criteria for the 2022-23 season prior to his injury.						
Athlete	B Team Criteria	Team Criteria Description	AAP Criteria	AAP Criteria Description	Example/Evidence	Card Type
Tom Stephen	6.7.c	Top-12 U23 WSC or WJR individual final finish race result	5.3.b	Athletes qualified for B Team on point 6.6 in order of qualification.	5 th 20 km C Mst U23 WSC, Schilpario, ITA	SR
Jasmine Drolet	6.7.c	SAME AS ABOVE	5.3.b	SAME AS ABOVE	6 th 20 km C Mst U23 WSC, Schilpario, ITA	SR

NATIONAL GROUP 1						
Athlete	NG1 Criteria	Team Criteria Description	AAP Criteria	AAP Criteria Description	Example/Evidence	Card Type
Clara Hegan	6.8.a	Top 20 U23/WJR individual final finish race result.	5.4.a	Athletes who qualified for NG1 on point 6.8 in order of qualification.	17 th 20 km C Schilpario, ITA	D
Zachari Moreau	6.8.a	SAME AS ABOVE	5.4.a	SAME AS ABOVE	18 th 20 km C Schilpario, ITA	D
Amelia Wells	6.8.a	SAME AS ABOVE	5.4.a	SAME AS ABOVE / Winner of COC Series	19 th 20 km C Schilpario, ITA	D
Finn Redman	6.8.a	SAME AS ABOVE	5.4.a	SAME AS ABOVE	20 th Sp C Schilpario, ITA	D

Derek Deuling	6.8.c	Top half of field U23 or WJR individual final finish race result	5.4.a	SAME AS ABOVE	23 rd Sp C Schilpario, ITA (field of 85)	NA
RATIONALE: Athlete not eligible for Development carding due to number of years carded at the SR level.						
Justin Boudreau	6.8.c	SAME AS ABOVE	5.4.a	SAME AS ABOVE	24 th 20 km C Schilpario, ITA (field of 81)	D
Constance Lapointe	6.8.c	SAME AS ABOVE	5.4.a	SAME AS ABOVE	25 th Sp C Schilpario, ITA (field of 72)	D
Jonas Rolseth	6.8.c	SAME AS ABOVE	5.4.a	SAME AS ABOVE	29 th 10 km F Schilpario, ITA (field of 102)	D
Sasha Masson	6.8.c	SAME AS ABOVE		SAME AS ABOVE	30 th 10 km F Schilpario, ITA (field of 86)	NA
RATIONALE: Athlete not eligible for Development carding due to number of years carded at the SR level.						
Aramintha Bradford	6.8.c	SAME AS ABOVE	5.4.a	SAME AS ABOVE	31 st 20 km C Schilpario, ITA (field of 63)	D
Anika Wallin	6.8.c	SAME AS ABOVE	5.4.a	SAME AS ABOVE	32 nd 10 km F Schilpario, ITA (field of 74)	D
Ben Field	6.8.c	SAME AS ABOVE	5.4.a	SAME AS ABOVE	36 th Sp C Schilpario, ITA (field of 99)	D
Eamon Wilson	6.8.c	SAME AS ABOVE	5.4.a	SAME AS ABOVE	41 st 10 km F Schilpario, ITA (field of 102)	D
AAP CARDING ALLOCATION REACHED – Athletes after this point will ONLY be nominated for carding if funding becomes available.						
Luke Allan	6.8.e	Top 5 NCAA Championship individual final finish race result	5.5.b	Winners of 2024-25 COC series	4 th 7.5 km C 2025 NCAA Championships/670 pts	SR
RATIONALE: Athlete not eligible for Development carding due to exceeding maximum three years of carding at that level. Athlete is eligible to receive SR funding as COC leader provided funding is available.						

NATIONAL GROUP 2						
Athlete	NG2 Criteria	Team Criteria Description	AAP Criteria	AAP Criteria Description	Example/Evidence	Card Type
Olivia Bouffard-Nesbitt	6.9.a.i	Athletes nominated to World Ski Championships	NA		2025 World Ski Championships, Trondheim	NA
Pierre Grall-Johnson	6.9.a.i	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2025 World Ski Championships, Trondheim	NA
Katie Weaver	6.9.a.i	SAME AS ABOVE	5.5.a	Winner of the 2024-25 Nordiq Canada Sprint Series	2025 World Ski Championships, Trondheim 770 pts	SR
Rémi Drolet	6.9.a.i	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2025 World Ski Championships, Trondheim	NA
Julian Smith	6.9.a.ii	World Cup 2023-24 or 2024-25 season	5.5.a	Winner of the 2024-25 Nordiq Canada Sprint Series	2024-25 World Cup/646 pts	SR
Julien Locke	6.9.a.ii	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2023-24 World Cup	NA
Erikson Moore	6.9.a.ii	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2023-24 World Cup	NA
Félix-Olivier Moreau	6.9.a.ii	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2023-24 World Cup	NA
Xavier Lefebvre	6.9.a.ii	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2023-24 World Cup	NA

Scott Hill	6.9.a.ii	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2023-24 World Cup	NA
Micah Steinberg	6.9.a.ii	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2023-24 World Cup	NA
Marlie Molinaro	6.9.a.ii	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2023-24 World Cup	NA
Adam Heale	6.9.a.ii	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2023-24 World Cup	NA
Aidan Kirkham	6.9.a.ii	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2023-24 World Cup	NA
Marielle Ackermann	6.9.a.ii	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2023-24 World Cup	NA
Luke Fricker	6.9.a.ii	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2023-24 World Cup	NA
Ry Prior	6.9.a.ii	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2023-24 World Cup	NA
Anna Stewart	6.9.a.ii	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2023-24 World Cup	NA
Katya Semeniuk	6.9.a.ii	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2023-24 World Cup	NA
Alexandra Luxmoore	6.9.a.ii	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2023-24 World Cup	NA
Maeve MacLeod	6.9.a.ii	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2023-24 World Cup	NA
Kendyn Mashinter	6.9.a.ii	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2023-24 World Cup	NA
Élie-Anne Tremblay	6.9.a.ii	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2023-24 World Cup	NA
Samuel Picard	6.9.a.iv	World Junior Championships 2023-24 or 2024- 25	NA		2024 World Junior Championships	NA
Sabine Comeau	6.9.a.iv	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2024 World Junior Championships	NA
Alexandre Cormier	6.9.a.iv	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2024 World Junior Championships	NA
Garrett Siever	6.9.a.iv	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2024 World Junior Championships	NA
Jeremy Lantz	6.9.a.v	Athletes born in 2004 from 2023-24 Development Team	NA		2023-24 Development Team	NA
Alexis Ermel	6.9.a.v	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		2023-24 Development Team	NA
Joël Thibault	6.9.a.vi	Athletes from the 2024-25 Development Team	NA		2024-25 Development Team	NA

DEVELOPMENT TEAM						
Athlete	Dev Team Criteria	Team Criteria Description	AAP Criteria	AAP Criteria Description	Example/Evidence	Card Type
Zachari Moreau	6.10.b	Top-half of field WJR final finish individual final finish result.	NA		18 th 20k C WJR Schilpario (field of 81)	NA
Finn Redman	6.10.b	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		20 th Sp C WJR Schilpario(field of 99)	NA
Aramintha Bradford	6.10.b	SAME AS ABOVE	NA		31 st 20k C WJR Schilpario (field of 63)	NA

