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Technical Package

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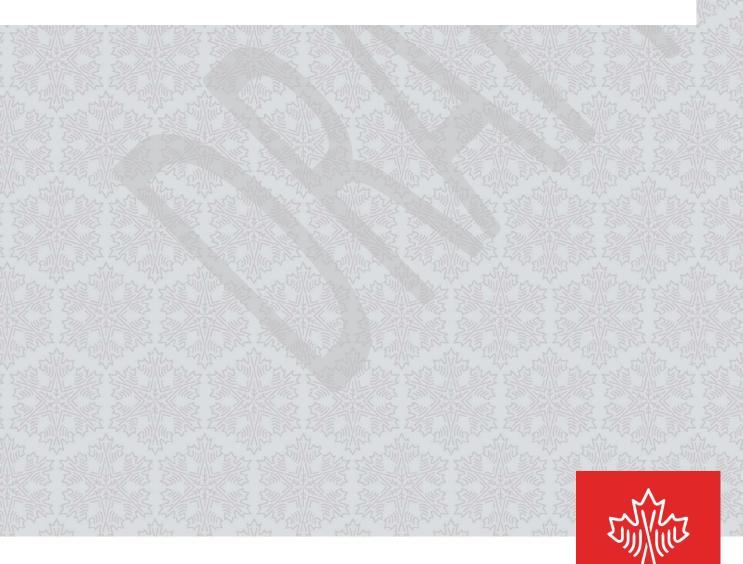




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1.0 Preliminary Information

This Technical Package outlines the standards of quality that must be met by the Organizing Committee (OC) for the competitors, officials, spectators, and other participants when hosting the Nordig Canada 2026 Olympic Winter Games Trials. It is a working document that forms the foundation of the Hosting Agreement between Nordig Canada and the Organizing Committee. It is reviewed and adjusted as required.

- 1. It is Nordiq Canada's role, via the Events & Officials Manager to set the necessary controls through the Technical Package and the latest version of the International Competition Rules/Canadian Competition Rules (ICR-CCR) and Regulations to ensure standards are met by the sanctioning bodies.
- 2. This Technical Package does not cover the details of every aspect involved in hosting a Nordig Canada event. As the relationships between provincial governments, municipal authorities, local sponsors, etc., are different throughout the country, it is not possible to recommend a single method of organization. However, the elements common to Nordiq Canada Selection Races are covered in this guide. Any adjustments or changes made must first be approved by the Events & Officials Manager and the Organizing Committee.

1.1 Objectives

The event objectives are:

- 1. To provide selection races for the 2026 Olympic Winter Games team as per Nordiq Canada's 2026 Olympic Winter Games Selection Criteria (Internal Nomination Procedure).
- 2. To provide selection races for Nordiq Canada Continental Cup (COC) Leader.
- 3. To provide selection races for the 2025-26 World Cup P2, and P3 competition team as per the 2025-26 Competition Trip Selection Criteria.

1.2 Definitions

3. Event – several races that occur at a particular site, hosted by a particular event organization (i.e., the Nordiq Canada 2026 Olympic Winter Games Trials).



- Competition an individual race day within an event, incorporating one or more age categories and both genders.
- 4. Organizing Committee (OC) The organization within the hosting Nordiq Canada Club that is responsible for planning and executing an event. For major events, the OC will include an Event Organizing Committee (EOC) and a Competition Committee.
- 5. Open Category The open category at the Nordiq Canada 2026 Olympic Winter Games Trials comprises athletes born in 2010 or earlier, as they must be FIS license eligible.

1.3 Abbreviations

- OC Organizing Committee
- FIS International Ski Federation
- EOM Events & Officials Manager
- MEC Marketing & Engagement Coordinator
- CEO Chief Executive Officer
- HPD High Performance Director
- TD Technical Delegate
- ATD Assistant Technical Delegate
- HPC High Performance Committee
- DDC Domestic Development Committee
- CTC Coaches Technical Committee
- 6. NCOWG Nordig Canada Officials Working Group
- 7. NST National Ski Team
- 8. OWG Olympic Winter Games
- 9. COC Canadian Olympic Committee

1.4 Important References

The host OC agrees that the policies and documents outlined below are part of this agreement. It is the OC's responsibility to ensure they are familiar with and adhere to the following policies, regulations, and bylaws:

- 1. 2025-26 ICR-CCR with marked 2025 precisions *
- 2. Nordiq Canada Race License Policy



- 3. Nordiq Canada Insurance Policy
- 4. Nordiq Canada Competition Registration and Sanctioning Policy
- 5. Nordig Canada Competition Officials Manual
- 6. Nordig Canada Code of Conduct and Ethics
- 7. Nordig Canada's Safe Sport Policies
- 8. Fluor ban implementation in Cross-Country
- 9. Fluor ban implementation for Organizing Committees

The host should familiarize themselves with the following Selection Criteria that may be applicable to their event:

- 10. 2025-26 Competition Trip Selection Criteria
- 11. 2026 Olympic Winter Games Selection Criteria (Internal Nomination Procedure) Amended Aug 28

Nordiq Canada reserves the right to update and/or change these policies and will have the most current versions available through the usual Nordig Canada communications.

1.5 Official Languages

English and French are the official languages of Canada. Sport Canada is committed to enhancing the vitality and supporting the development of the English and French linguistic minority communities in Canada and to fostering the full recognition and use of both official languages in Canadian society.

Since the event is sanctioned by Nordiq Canada, the OC must:

- 1. Provide communications, announcements, award presentations (on site and banquet), website, and information to the public in both official languages. Translation costs are the responsibility of the OC.
- 2. Actively offer services to members of the sport community and the public in both official languages.
- 12. Make available in both official languages any communications and documents relating to initiatives.
- 3. Encourage members of both official language communities to actively participate in the planning and staging of initiatives; and
- 13. Organize initiatives, when appropriate, so as to meet the needs of the two linguistic communities.



The items listed above are applicable to all event material to inform the public, the participants or media, permanent and temporary signage installed specifically for the events or required for the smooth running of the event, written documentation providing event administrative information to the athletes, coaches, officials, and other delegation members (guides, manuals, schedules, etc.) and information on the event's websites. For more information, you can consult the Sport Canada Contribution Guidelines on the Government of Canada website.

Nordiq Canada can suggest potential translators to use for the event.

1.6 Safe Sport

The OC plays a role in providing a safe sporting environment. The OC must:

- 1. Identify a SafeSport officer who will:
 - a. Ensure any requirements from the Division are met
 - Be responsible for SafeSport at the event, including being on-site and visible to all participants, looking for opportunities to celebrate good practices and educate where practices can be improved
- 14. Ensure the <u>Canadian SafeSport Program</u> is visible through the event website and a slide at the Team Captains meeting.
- 2. Everyone has the right to a safe and inclusive environment, free from maltreatment. If you are experiencing, or you suspect someone else is experiencing, abuse, discrimination, violence or other forms of maltreatment, contact the <u>Canadian SafeSport Program Report</u> Form or the onsite SafeSport officer. These individuals can connect you with support and help you file a complaint. For emergencies, call 911.
- 3. Ensure confidentiality is respected; when in doubt as to what can and should be shared, contact your Division or Nordiq Canada's SafeSport resources.

1.7 Name and Identification

The official names of the events are the "Nordiq Canada 2026 Olympic Winter Games Trials. The event must be referred to as such in all printed materials and official communication.

1.8 Dates

The dates for the event are set by Nordiq Canada based on input from the following, as per their respective requirements, with a reasonable likelihood of snow conditions being an over-riding consideration:

1. The OC



- 2. The Events and Officials Manager
- 3. The Marketing & Engagement Coordinator
- 4. The HPD
- 5. The Nordiq Canada Officials Working Group
- 6. The Coaches Technical Committee
- 7. The High-Performance Committee
- 8. The Canadian Olympic Committee

1.9 Technical Package and Agreement to Host

- 1. Once Nordig Canada has a verbal agreement with the host site, the OC is required to sign an Agreement to Host and thereafter will be responsible for organization and delivery the event.
- 2. The Organizing Committee agrees to organize and conduct all competitions in accordance with ICR-CCR Rules and Regulations and this Technical Package.
- 3. The OC agrees to adhere to the terms outlined in the Agreement to Host.
- 4. Nordig Canada will work with the OC, CTC, HPC, NCOWG, and the HP staff to provide and approve the list of and schedule of competitions for the Event. Nordig Canada's Events and Officials Manager, or their designate, will have final decision-making authority on the event schedule in consultation with the assigned Jury.
- 5. The OC is responsible for updating Nordiq Canada on the status of preparations on a regular basis through minutes of meetings, letters and telephone calls, or e-mail.
- 6. The OC will liaise directly with Nordiq Canada (through the Events and Officials Manager) for guidance and assistance in the conduct of these events.

1.10 Nordiq Canada Contact List

Events and Officials Manager: Jeff Ellis (jellis@nordiqcanada.ca)

Marketing & Engagement Coordinator: Nathaniel Mah (nmah@nordiqcanada.ca)

1.11 OC Contact List

- 9. The OC must provide Nordig Canada with a list of key contacts for the Event Organizing Committee and the Competition Committee.
- 10. In addition, the OC Chairperson must include the Events and Officials Manager, TD, and ATD on the email distribution list for regular event preparation updates and meeting minutes during the months leading up to the event.



2.0 Organizing Committee Responsibilities and Accountability

2.1 Communications

The OC shall:

- 1. Provide timely distribution of the Event Notice and official results in the specified formats.
- 11. Set up and display all Nordiq Canada sponsor and supplier pool banners as per the Collateral List of the Hosting Agreement. The Events and Officials Manager or designate, will be able to provide advice on this.
- 2. Develop an event website for the Event information.
- Assign a Press/Media attaché. It is important to work diligently to obtain good event coverage in the local media (press, TV, radio) and to encourage provincial and national coverage wherever possible. The Press/Media attaché must work closely with the event webmaster.
- 4. Provide a Press/Media area with power, internet, where press/media can work before and after the event.
- 5. Provide a high-quality sound system.
- 6. Provide a race announcer or announcers, with appropriate capabilities in both official languages.
- 7. Provide a photographer to cover events and podium ceremonies. Nordiq Canada will have access and rights to use the photographers images for non-commercial use.
- 8. Provide high speed wireless internet service that can manage essential services of the races and event.
- 9. Create a coaches' WhatsApp, or similar platform, group to assist with rapid distribution of information.

2.2 Public Liability Insurance

The OC must subscribe to the Nordiq Canada's <u>Liability Insurance Manual</u> through its membership in a Division and must be in good standing with both the Division and Nordiq Canada.

2.3 Event Funding and Accountability

- 1. Financial support from Nordiq Canada will be outlined in the Agreement to Host.
- 2. If an event is cancelled, Nordiq Canada may negotiate refund of the financial subsidy



- based on the state of the overall event budget.
- 3. Beyond the support pledged by Nordiq Canada in the Agreement to Host, the OC is responsible for all financial obligations related to the conduct of the event.
- 4. The OC must submit a final Expense/Revenue statement and copies of media releases and coverage to the Nordiq Canada Events and Officials Manager no later than 30 days after the event. The Media Report should include photos, OC media releases, national and mainstream coverage, and any additional relevant event coverage.

2.4 Back-up Site and Event Cancellation

- 1. In the event of pandemics and for any other similar situations, Nordiq Canada will follow the instructions of the Public Health Agency of Canada, and the appropriate provincial and municipal health organizations to mitigate the impact.
- 2. Nordig Canada has a response for different scenarios including for no event, for restrictions to a maximum allowed of participants at a time, and no restrictions at all. The OC should prepare the event as usual. Decisions to cancel or continue will be based on instructions provided by the public health authorities and could change as the situation evolves. The OC may be required to distribute a protocol to mitigate the spread of the virus.
- 3. The OC, in consultation with the Events and Officials Manager, will identify a backup site in case of low or poor snow conditions. The backup site should be selected to minimize original air travel arrangements of participants.
- 4. A decision on event cancellation or change of site will be made by the Events and Officials Manager no later than two (2) weeks prior to the event, in consultation with the HPD, EM, CEO, OC Chair, COC and the TD.
- 5. In the event of a new site and host club being chosen, there are many human resource and financial issues to be considered. These include expenses already incurred by the scheduled OC, the capacity of the new venue/club to field a competent Competition Committee, the ability to transfer support through existing sponsorship and Government revenues earmarked for the event and the interest of volunteers and timing professionals from the scheduled OC to help with the relocated event.
- 6. If transfer to an alternate venue and a new OC is deemed possible it will be necessary to specifically address how to manage the existing race file, whether the original Competition Secretary is willing to continue with their role through the new OC or whether the file can be successfully transferred and managed by a new OC Competition Secretary. A travel subsidy, covered by the new OC, may have to be considered for the original Competition Secretary if they agree to remain involved in the secretariat and are available to attend the event.
- 7. A clean transfer of responsibilities will occur between members of the original OC and the new OC. Any transfer of physical or human resource assets will be at the option of



- the new OC in consultation with Nordig Canada.
- 8. When an alternate venue is secured and a competent OC can be formed, then the Events and Officials Manager would work with the new OC Chair to prepare a race budget taking into consideration the expenses already incurred by the original OC as per the refund policy and normal expenses incurred for event hosting at the backup site.
- 9. Under normal circumstances the balance of all registration fee revenues would be transferred to the new OC as part of the new budget for the event. Any government and sponsorship revenues may be transferred to the new OC as part of the new budget for the event with the agreement of the 3rd party.
- 10. The OC must include event cancellation details, amounts to be refunded, methods of communication and, in the case of selection competitions, notice of an alternative competition day for weather related cancellations in their Event Notice package.
- 11. Should the event be cancelled, the OC will provide a refund of registration fees less: the costs associated with expensed items not re-usable at future events, and any reasonable meeting costs incurred during the planning phase of the event by the OC.

3.0 Event Sanctioning, Registration and Event Communication

3.1 FIS Continental Cup Series (COC)

- 1. Nordic Canada applies for official FIS recognition of domestic race events that meet specified FIS criteria as a "COC." In receiving official recognition, Nordiq Canada gains access to additional WC quota, a critical component in preparing Canadian athletes for future World Ski Championships and Olympic competitions.
- 2. The Open category at a FIS event is sanctioned by FIS and Nordiq Canada. U20, U23, and senior skiers are expected to enter the Open category and will be seeded together.
- 3. FIS requires that all (Continental Cup) competitions be staged on FIS homologated courses.

3.2 Sanctioning

- 1. The 2026 Olympic Winter Games Trials are sanctioned by Nordig Canada. Registration for sanctioning is done directly through the Nordig Canada event sanctioning portal. The sanctioning fee is \$1750.
- 2. Nordig Canada applies for FIS sanction for the Open class individual competitions, and the combined FIS/Nordiq Canada rules will apply to these competitions. The FIS sanction fee is covered by the Sanctioning Fee noted above.



- 3. Nordig Canada will fulfill the FIS listing requirements of sanction in collaboration with the Technical Delegate and Organizing Committee. FIS listing requirements include race formats and distances, OC contact, and TD contact.
- 4. Variance from the FIS rules may be considered by the TD when local conditions require change to maintain a safe and equitable competition. However, in all circumstances the TD must follow the spirit and intent of the Competition Regulations and document all necessary changes in their FIS TD report.
- 5. A site visit by either or both the TD and the Nordiq Canada Events and Officials Manager will be made in the summer prior to the event when a new site has been developed. The TD, Events and Officials Manager, Chairperson of the OC and the Chief of Competition should agree on any outstanding technical or organizational issues no later than three (3) months before the event.

3.3 Event Notice

- 1. The Event Notice must be produced in draft and forwarded to the TD and Events and Officials Manager for review at an agreed upon time.
- 2. The final Event Notice should be available 60 days before the event. A copy of the Event Notice should be posted on the OC's website, the event registration page, and the link provided to the Events and Officials Manager for listing on the domestic race calendar on the Nordiq Canada website.
- 3. The Event Notice must be available in both official languages.
- 4. Event Notices must include a suitable cancellation and/or postponement clause.
- 5. The OC should recognize that most coaches will not be familiar with the technical package so all relevant information regarding the races and athlete eligibility should be referenced and linked to this technical package, on the Nordiq Canada and the Event website.
- 6. Once the Event Notice has been published, decisions and changes made regarding the event, or its conduct should be published on both the Nordig Canada website and the event website.
- 7. Starting four (4) weeks prior to the event the OC will make available a live confirmation list on the registration website which contains all registered competitors containing club, Division, team, and school affiliation, Nordiq Cananda and FIS license numbers, year of birth, race category, and the list of competitions for which the competitor is registered.
- 8. Club names and spelling will be used as reported in the club data base on the Nordig Canada website. Club names should be abbreviated when necessary to eliminate non-unique identifies such as "Nordic", "ski" and "club" in consideration of space requirements on the results and starts lists. Skier names and spellings will be used as



- per the Nordig Canada license list provided by Nordig Canada to the OC. FIS registration data will be used as per the FIS website points lists. The validation protocol available in Zone4 must be used by the OC prior to publication of all lists.
- 9. The OC must respect privacy according to all applicable municipal, provincial, and federal laws.

3.4 Event Website

The OC is required to develop and maintain a bilingual section of the OC's website for eventrelated information.

Information posted on the site includes the following:

- 1. Pre-event information
- 2. Event Notice, list of sponsors, hotel (including wheelchair accessibility) and vehicle rental information, fax, phone and e-mail contacts, detailed schedule of competitions and activities, facilities available on site, etc.
- 3. Information during the event
- 4. Athlete welcome, registration/confirmation lists of athletes, daily reports with photos, official results (pdf or html), links to media reports of the event, photo gallery and any other information relevant to the current event including TCM minutes, changes and decisions made by Jury relating to the conduct of the event.
- 5. Post-event information
- 6. Thanking volunteers and sponsors, lost and found, etc.
- 7. A link to final official results.

3.5 Registration System

- 1. A Nordiq Canada approved race management software package must be used.
- 2. An online registration procedure must be part of the events management plan. The online race registration form must be reviewed with the Events and Officials Manager. Race registration should be open five (5) weeks prior to the event.
- 3. For FIS-sanctioned events, the registration form must request both the FIS and Nordiq Canada license numbers. The registration form should also request contact information for an athletes' coach or team leader.
- 4. If skiers are members of the NST, a National Training Centre, university, or industry team, they should register using both club and team affiliation. Otherwise, they should register in accordance with their club affiliation.
- 5. Team names and spellings will be used as reported in the club database on the Nordig



Canada website.

- 6. Skiers' names and spellings will be used as per the CPL submitted by Nordig Canada to the OC.
- 7. FIS registration data will be used as per the FIS website "Athlete Bio" section.
- 8. Final confirmation lists must be published within 48 hours of the final registration date. This list should be published under the club name and include the athletes name, license numbers (Nordiq Canada & FIS), races entered and year of birth.
- 9. The Race Notice should specify a registration deadline no earlier than seven (7) days and no later than two (2) days before the first event.
- 10. A separate coach registration must accompany the Event Registration. This will facilitate distribution of confirmation lists and last-minute communications with teams because of changes in start times, race changes and cancellations.

4.0 Athlete Eligibility, Registration and Fees

4.1 Age Categories

Athletes must be FIS license eligible for the 2025/26 season meaning they were born in 2010 or earlier.

4.2 Athlete Eligibility

All competitors must:

- 1. Have a valid FIS license to compete in the 2026 Olympic Winter Games Trials competitions.
- 2. Be members in good standing of Nordiq Canada or where not a member, have no outstanding issues/infractions or debts with Nordiq Canada. A master list of clubs in good standing for the current year is available on the Nordiq Canada website.
- 3. Have a valid Nordiq Canada or a Nordiq Canada Associate license and have points greater than zero on the most current CPL. Athletes who are not on the current CPL may request an exemption of the requirement through a written request to the Events and Officials Manager prior to event registration closing. Please refer to the Nordiq Canada Race License Policy.
- 4. Foreign skiers must have a FIS license to participate and appropriate third party insurance. They must also be members in good standing of their national federation.
- 5. For FIS licensed skiers to gain FIS points, a valid FIS license number must be in the race management database. Either the skier or their coach should check with the OC



that the FIS number is correct in the competitor database.

- 6. Canadian competitors may purchase a FIS license through the Nordig Canada website.
- 7. The official club and Division for an athlete must match their current Nordig Canada racing license.
- 8. The burden of proof of citizenship lies with the athlete and must be declared on the event Entry Form at time of entry.

4.3 Factory or Regional Teams

Nordiq Canada encourages OCs to recognize factory or regional teams on results lists. For a team to be considered for this recognition, the team must apply to the Events and Officials Manager, or their designate, for official recognition as a team. Nordig Canada requires that the team:

- 1. Contribute to the training and competitive opportunity of its athletes and service four (4) or more licensed skiers.
- 2. Must be a commercially registered industry or not-for profit club serving a broader audience than racers belonging to a single Nordiq Canada club.
- 3. Formally apply to the Events and Officials Manager, or their designate, c/o for "team status" to ensure the official team's name is available on Nordiq Canada license registration system. Nordiq Canada is under no obligation to retroactively update skier files if the team's name is not registered properly, or the skier does not include this when renewing their license.
- 4. Factory teams must uphold all Nordig Canada policies and bylaws and the Code of Conduct and Ethics to be eligible to compete in Nordiq Canada events.

4.4 Entry Fees

- 1. A per competition entry fee of \$50 CDN + GST has been established as a common fee; only with the approval of the Events and Officials Manager may entry fees exceed this baseline as noted below.
- 2. The intent is for entry fees to be not so large as to discourage participation, while at the same time being sufficient to ensure the financial viability of the event.
- 3. Note: Any increase in fees must be accompanied by an updated budget. In the situation the OC generates an operating profit more than 15% of expenses after an increase in fees is granted, the additional amount will be given to Nordiq Canada to help fund future events.
- 4. For Events with multiple competitions, a package entry fee is encouraged.
- 5. Condition permitting, skiers must be able to access the competition trails two (2) days



- prior to the competitions.
- 6. Registration fees must cover trail fees for all official races and official training days.
- 7. Trail fees will apply to those who use the trails outside of official training and competition days.
- 8. Due to the number of last-minute entries, the OC is encouraged to develop a progressive entry fee schedule that includes an early entry bonus and penalizes last minute entries within the context of the above paragraph.
- 9. Entries and fees should be in the hands of the OC within a reasonable time prior to the first competition day (seven (7) days).
- 10. The Confirmation List must include:
 - a. The skier's name
 - b. Active Nordiq Canada license #
 - c. Active FIS license #
 - d. Year of Birth
 - e. Entered competitions
 - f. Applicable club and team names.
- 11. There will not be any refunds if athletes do not participate or withdraw after the registration deadline.
- 12. The Events and Officials Manager may sanction a "snow enhancement fee" of \$5 per competition day/athlete at sites hosting Tier 1 events to cover the incremental costs of snow making/storage as part of their snow management program. The incremental fee collected must be separately identified in the event statement of revenues and expenses and must be expensed to the venue operator to off-set snow management fees directly related to preparation of the event tracks. The OC is responsible for presenting a plan to the Events and Officials Manager for approval eight (8) weeks prior to the event start.

5.0 Race Distances and Scheduling

5.1 Race Distances and Techniques

- Nordiq Canada's Events and Officials Manager will work with the HPD, the OC, the CTC, the NCOWG and the HP staff to provide and approve the list of and schedule of events.
- 2. All race formats will follow the most current ICR-CCR unless stated otherwise in this technical package.



6.0 Seeding for the Competitions

6.1 Interval Start Races

- 1. Distance FIS points will be used for seeding.
- 2. Start positions will be randomly assigned within each seeding group based on the FIS points..
- 3. The Jury will decide the starting order of each seeding group considering snow and course conditions. The current CPL lists will be available on the Nordig Canada website two (2) days prior to the first Team Captain's meeting for verification. Changes to the verified seeding lists will only be considered by the Jury in exceptional circumstances.
- 4. Nordiq Canada's Events and Officials Manager may make recommendations on special seeding requests to the Jury based upon a written submission from the athlete's Division to the Events and Officials Manager at least one week in advance of the start of the races. However, such requests must indicate an extraordinary reason for consideration for improved seeding. If a request is successful, the senior, U23 or U20 athlete will start with the assigned points as per the decision of the Jury.

6.2 Individual Sprint Competition

- 1. There will be one category for this event: Open
- 2. All athletes must register in their date of birth age categories
- 3. There will be one (1) round of heats and finals
- 4. The Top 30 athletes from the qualifier irrespective of age category will move onto the heats
- 5. Elimination heats should be timed; advancement will follow FIS protocols as outlined in 325.4 of the ICR. The 1st and 2nd place skiers in each heat will advance in addition to the next two fastest competitors from the quarterfinal heats who are ranked 3rd or 4th. Advancement to the final will follow the same protocol. Refer to Appendix A.
- 6. Sprint heats must be run in accordance with the FIS protocol.
- 7. Sprint competitions:
 - a. Must have consistent time between each round of heats.
 - b. Time between heats is dependent on the distance of the course.
- 8. The OC should strive for 1.5 to 2 hours rest for the top qualifying athletes between the end of the qualifying round and the first open quarterfinal heat.



7.0 Courses and Grooming

7.1 Homologation Standards

All FIS sanctioned races must be run on FIS homologated courses. The host site must have FIS homologated courses to provide for the various competition formats it has been assigned at the Open level. New Canadian Guidelines outlining the process to homologate competition courses can be reviewed on Nordiq Canada's <u>website</u>.

7.2 Competition Courses

- 1. The host site must have a sanctioned range of courses to provide for all competition formats.
- 2. Homologation norms must fall into the limits set out in Rules 311.2.5 of the ICR-CCR.

7.3 Grooming Equipment

- The OC must provide Nordiq Canada, and more importantly the coaches and athletes, with the assurance that it has taken the necessary steps to produce the best possible course for racing under the most adverse weather conditions, including ice, heavy snow, and rain.
- 2. Trail-grooming capabilities must include:
 - a. A full width tracked vehicle equipped with a tilling renovator that is hydraulically operated
 - b. An Alpine twin track or equivalent single-track setter (Bachler type molded)
 - c. The capacity to apply salt and fertilizer to improve the track in soft snow conditions
 - d. The Capacity to set multiple classic tracks at a minimum 1.20 meters apart measured from the middle of each pair of tracks
- 3. A snow renovator or packing pan for use with a snowmobile to improve course conditions when heavy snow arrives at temperatures which preclude the use of a tracked groomer
- 4. Grooming resources must be sufficient and flexible enough to allow grooming at any time which will ensure optimum trail preparation

7.4 Course Marking and Inspection

1. During competition and official training days, the course, including stadium, must be



- prepared, and marked as it will be during the competition (Competition Regulations section 311.4 of the ICR).
- 2. The marking of the course must be clear so that the competitor is never in doubt where the course goes. Hard material course markings and commercial markings should only be placed at the sides of the course.
- 3. Kilometer signs should mark the accumulated distance skied along the course.
- 4. Forks and intersections on the course must be clearly marked by visible signage, and fences or V-boards must be placed across unused parts of the course.
- 5. The competition trails should be groomed for inspection two (2) full days prior to the first race.
- 6. Course maps with elevation must be available online for the full slate of races at least one (1) week prior to the event. It is suggested that each team receive a laminated set of course maps that can be displayed in the wax cabins.

8.0 Fluor Testing

To ensure a fair and transparent competition, Nordiq Canada will implement fluor wax testing during the Nordiq Canada 2026 Olympic Winter Games Trials. Following FIS ICR rule 222.8, athletes' skis will be tested using the FIS-approved Bruker Fluor testing device.

- 1. Nordiq Canada's Events and Officials Manager will coordinate with the OC to ensure that FIS fluor testing protocols are completed
- 2. All athletes' skis will be tested for Fluor wax after each of the competitions. This includes:
 - a. 10km Interval Start C
 - b. 10km Interval Start F
 - c. Sprint F Qualification
 - d. Sprint F heats and finals
- 3. The OC must provide a tent or cabin with:
 - a. Walls if tent is used
 - b. Heating
 - c. Reliable electric power source (110/220 Volts)
 - d. A table and chairs
 - e. Nonslip floor



- f. power at the finish line of the event where fluor testing can be done.
- 4. The testing area should be fenced limiting who has access to this area.
- 5. Ski racks should be stationed outside of the testing tent, inside the testing tent, and in an area where athletes and coaches can pick up their skis after testing.
- 6. Additional ski racks will be needed in the start area for sprint heats.
- 7. Volunteers must be provided to assist the FIS Equipment Controller
- 8. Only athletes, volunteers, Jury, and individuals approved by the OC will be allowed in the finish area to ensure that no skis are swapped or removed before testing.
- 9. Only athletes, volunteers, Jury, and individuals approved by the OC will be allowed in the start area during the Sprint F heats to ensure that no skis are swapped or removed before testing.
- 10. Ski identification stickers will be provided to athletes during package pickup. Nordiq Canada will provide the OC with the identification stickers. The stickers will identify:
 - a. The athletes club
 - b. The athletes bib number
 - c. The pair of skis
- 11. Athletes must have ski identification stickers to start a competition.
- 12. Travel and accommodations for the FIS Equipment Controller will be covered by Nordiq Canada.
- 13. OC should be familiar with FIS Fluor Ban Implementation document.

9.0 Timekeeping and Results

9.1 Timing Standards/Results Production

- A Nordiq Canada approved race management software package (e.g., Zone4) must be used. Software that interfaces directly with race timing equipment and livestreaming capabilities are required.
- 2. The selected package must accommodate all common formats for competitions. The system must handle multiple competitions, categories, combined and subcategories.
- 3. The package should also have an active trouble shooting service or manual to which the users can quickly and efficiently turn to for help in emergencies.
- 4. The package must provide start lists and result lists with basic competition information (i.e. weather conditions, sponsor tags, etc.), together with split and finish



- times in the format approved by Nordig Canada.
- 5. Start lists must clearly state the time of day that the competition starts and the time intervals after this start time at which individuals will have their starts.
- 6. The Start List should show the members of the Jury, Category. Bib number, Name, Club, Team, Division, total race distance, number of laps comprising the distance and Start time.
- 7. The package should be able to output results in several formats (e.g. xls, pdf, .csv and xml).
- 8. Live results are expected. The OC should test the live results module with a test race to ensure systems are compatible prior to the race weekend.
- 9. Timekeeping officials and technical assistants who will be using the race management software package must have used the software previously and be competent with it.

9.2 Timing Equipment

- 1. Nordig Canada requires that start/finish times be electronically generated with a completely independent back-up system.
- 2. There must be an enclosed and heated timing building with an electronic timing unit (i.e., Summit Systems etc.).
- 3. An electronic start gate must be used at the start of interval start races in conjunction with a large format display/count-down clock. The start gate must have a post on either side to ensure a skier cannot leave in either technique without opening the gate
- 4. At the finish, an electronic beam signal is required to capture the time of the athlete as they cross the finish line.
- 5. All competitions using mass start or sprint formats must include approved digital photo finish line equipment. Event personnel must be trained in the use of this system.
- 6. Course controllers should be provided with training in high-definition video camera equipment or other suitable equipment to verify technique or other violations at key locations during the competition.
- 7. The FIS Data Timing Report must be completed by the Timing Service Provider on a timely basis after each competition day to allow the FIS results to be validated for points.



9.3 Results

The publication of the results of competitions should be consistent with the format outlined below as per the CCR-ICR. An example of race results can be found in Appendix B.

Official Results must show the following:

- 1. Official Results:
 - a. The members of the Jury
 - b. Weather conditions
 - c. # of Laps and Total Distance for each category
 - d. Technique and Category
 - e. Rank
 - f. Bib#
 - g. Name
 - h. YOB
 - i. Sub-category
 - j. Sub-rank
 - k. Club, Division, Team
 - Nordiq Canada & FIS License number
 - m. Total Time
 - n. Time behind
 - o. Athlete sanctioned by the Jury with the rule number and the reason
- 2. The OC must produce a result using the naming conventions for the race files as provided by Nordiq Canada.
- 3. For FIS sanctioned open competitions, trail homologation data and the FIS Homologation # must be shown in the comments bar between the header and the results matrix.
- 4. Publications by the OC should include the following:
 - a. On site hardcopy complete results (unofficial, followed by official) published either online or on a results board in accordance with timing as specified in the Nordiq Canada rules. Also, final copies are to be supplied to teams and others if requested only if there are critical issues with the online results platform.
 - b. Complete results, unofficial, followed by official, published online in accordance with timing as specified in the Nordiq Canada rules.



- c. On the event website using pdf or html format that can be viewed and downloaded from the Nationals website. A "printer friendly" version must be provided.
- 5. The OC must have internet access on site and must post results to the internet as soon as possible for each race. This must include live interim and/or unofficial results; these must be updated with official results as soon as they are approved by the Jury.

9.4 FIS Sanctioned Open Race

- 1. For FIS sanctioned Open competitions, trail homologation data and the FIS homologation # must be shown in the comments bar between the header and the results matrix.
- 2. For the Open category, the FIS Timing Report to FIS specifications must be filed by the Timing Service provider within 24 hours of the end of each competition.

9.5 General Results Requirements

- 1. The name of the race files should include the event name, race format, distances and designate whether the posting is a start list or final result (e.g., 2026 OWG Trials –Int. 10km Cl Final Results). Note for Zone4 users: the site is already listed through the club key to Zone4 hence is not required in the file name.
- 2. The Title and Day Sponsor's logo must accompany the Nordiq Canada and OC logos in the Header on each results page. OC sponsors and public partner logos should be placed on the Footer of each results page.
- 3. Publications by the OC should include the following:
 - a. Complete results (unofficial, followed by official) published online in accordance with timing as specified in the Nordiq Canada Rules.
 - b. Official results must be linked on the Event Website.
 - c. Results should also be printer compliant (pdf or html) on a recognized results system capable of interfacing with the CPL database and FIS event registry.

10 Competition Points

10.1 Canada Points List

1. Canada Points List (CPL) points will be calculated for all individual events after the Races are complete. In addition, CPL points will be entered into the CPL system for the appropriate points period as per the rules of the CPL.



2. Only racers that have been seeded together in common distance competitions will be combined for point calculation purposes.

10.2 FIS Points

- 1. For FIS-sanctioned competitions i.e., individual competitions in the Open categories the TD, is responsible for completing the online FIS TD Report.
- 2. FIS points will be calculated for all individual competitions in the Open categories (for FIS license holders only).
- 3. The FIS points calculations in appropriate format (xml) will be submitted electronically by Zone4 to the FIS online system for the Olympic stream results.
- 4. FIS points reporting, and management is the responsibility of the Events and Officials Manager.

11.0 Technical Staff and Jury

11.1 Technical Delegate (TD), Assistant Technical Delegate (ATD)

- 1. The TD and the Assistant TD (ATD) are appointed by the TD Selection Committee and final approval by the Events and Officials Manager.
- 2. Nordiq Canada will confirm these appointments to the OC and provide the TD with the name and contact information of the Chairperson of the Competition Committee at a minimum of 60 days before the Event.
- 3. Communication will occur directly between the Competition Committee Chair, TD, ATD and Race Director.
- 4. All reasonable travel, gas and accommodation expenses as well as the FIS TD stipend of the TD are the responsibility of Nordiq Canada for the event.
- 5. All reasonable travel, gas and accommodation expenses of the ATD are the responsibility of the OC for the event.
- 6. TD expenses must also be covered by the OC if a pre-event visit is required. Per diems for the TD and ATD should be paid when the officials arrive on site, based on the Nordig Canada Travel Policy.
- 7. If possible, an Apprentice TD from the host region may be appointed (a new Level III) to learn and to assist the TD with the permission of the Events and Officials Manager. The cost for this apprentice should be shared between Apprentice TD, their Division and their club.



11.2 Nordiq Canada Race Director

The Nordig Canada staff member assigned to the event will be known as the Race Director. Nordig Canada's Events and Officials Manager will serve as the Race Director unless otherwise designated. Duties of the Race Director, or their designate, are:

- 1. Be the Nordig Canada Race Director and member of the Jury.
- 2. To represent the interests of Nordig Canada.
- 3. To schedule and conduct inspections of new sites interested in hosting Tier I competition.
- 4. To ensure that the Nordiq Canada Hosting Agreement is signed between Nordiq Canada and the OC.
- To ensure that all aspects of the organizer's contract are correctly fulfilled.
- 6. To monitor the proper operation of the event according to the Nordiq Canada Technical Package and Host Agreement in force, and report issues to the Nordiq Canada Race Director as necessary.
- 7. To provide coordination and support to all Jury members by providing information and advice.
- 8. To oversee and manage the production and promotion of the Aggregate Results.
- 9. To coordinate xml race results production and filings to FIS and CPL calculations.
- 10. To manage and collaborate with the OC to ensure compliance with event marketing and sponsorship aspects.
- 11. To liaise with the TD and OC to discuss best practices and issues arising over the course of the season and event.
- 12. To participate on the Jury.
- 13. Accommodation expenses of the RD, or designate, are the responsibility of the OC.

11.3 Jury Composition and Function

- 1. The Jury will include:
 - a. FIS Technical Delegate Jury Chair
 - b. Chief of Competition
 - c. Nordiq Canada Race Director
 - d. Assistant Technical Delegate
 - e. International Jury Member (as necessary and approved by the Events and Officials Manager)



- f. At the discretion of the Jury and the Events and Officials Manager, other experts may be invited to attend Jury meetings.
- 2. Apprentice TDs will have observer status on the Jury. Observers do not have a vote in Jury decisions.
- 3. The Jury will be identified and introduced at the first Team Captains' Meeting.
- 4. The Jury should meet one hour before the start of each competition, one hour after and at any other time deemed necessary.
- 5. A Jury Secretary must be appointed to the OC for the coordination of the Jury room, meeting minutes, course maps and race results distribution for all Jury members, documents, and forms specific to Jury duties (i.e., Protest, Appeal and Sanction forms).

11.4 Team Captains' Meeting

- All Team Captains' Meetings (TCM) will be conducted virtually. The OC will provide a meeting link to all coaches no later than noon of the same day.
- 2. An initial TCM should take place the evening prior to the event as per Team Captains' Meeting section 305. of the ICR. At this time, the TD and Jury will be introduced.
- 3. The TD will address the TCM, and make any points related to rules or rule changes that need to be emphasized for the event or for the first competition.
- 4. Additional meetings will occur the day before each subsequent competition day.
- 5. Translation services must be available for all TCMs.
- 6. The OC has available to them a Nordiq Canada TCM power point template if required.
- 7. Seed lists for the for the next race should be made available at the TCM the night before each TCM; corrections should then be handed back to the race office no later than four (4) hours before the start of the TCM, enabling the start lists to be available online prior to the start of each meeting for the next day's race.
- 8. A printable version of the race start list for the next race day should be made available online prior to the start of the competition day.
- 9. OC seeding lists should include all skier withdrawals and confirm spelling, age subcategories, CPL and FIS points, Nordiq Canada and FIS licenses, club, team, and national affiliation of each competitor at these meetings.
- 10. Start lists must clearly state the time of day that the competition starts and the time intervals after this start time at which individuals will have their starts.



12.0 On-Site Facilities

12.1 Emergency Action Plan

- 1. The OC must have a secure site plan in the event of unforeseen events such as inclement weather, event security threat, and site evacuation situations.
- 2. The emergency evacuation plan should be posted prominently and reviewed at the coaches meeting.
- 3. The OC must also present an Emergency Action Plan to Nordig Canada's Race Director prior to the start of the first official training day.

12.2 On Site Medical Services

Refer to page 42 of the ICR-CCR section 221.6

- Medical Services Required from Event Organizers The health and safety of all those involved in a FIS competition is a primary concern of all event Organizers. This includes the competitors as well as volunteers, course workers and spectators. The specific composition of the medical support system is dependent on several variables:
- 2. The size and level of the event being held (World Championships, World Cup, Continental Cup, FIS-level, etc.)
- 3. The estimated number of competitors, support staff and spectators
- 4. The scope of responsibility for the Event Medical Organization (competitors, support staff, spectators) should also be determined.
- 5. The Organizer / The Chief of Medical and Rescue Services must confirm with the race director or technical delegate that the required rescue facilities are in place before starting the official training or competition. In the event of an incident, the backup plan must be in place before recommencing the official training or competition.

The specific requirements concerning facilities, resources, personnel and team physicians are contained in the respective discipline rules and the FIS Medical Guide containing Medical Rules and Guidelines.

12.3 First Aid Stations

- 1. A general first aid service must be available to all. Ideally stations should be set up in an easily accessible area. The first aid stations should be equipped to deal with all first aid treatments and any emergency situations.
- 2. The First Aid Stations must be staffed by qualified personnel one hour before the



competition is scheduled to begin, throughout the competition day, and for one hour after the end of the last race. They should also be available during any official training days. All trained first aiders should hold a recognized standard first aid certification, certified paramedics, licensed doctors, and nurses are considered qualified personnel.

- 3. It is mandatory that an Artificial Electrical Defibrillator (AED) be on site and located at the main first aid station.
- 4. Officials on course should have a First Aid Kit and water.

12.4 Hospital and Ambulance Service

- 1. The OC must inform all local emergency health services (i.e. hospitals, emergency medical service teams, etc.) about the event. They should be encouraged to be part of the process in preparing for the competition.
- 2. Emergency service vehicles should be encouraged to attend on site during the competition and during any official training days. The competition site must be accessible to 9-1-1 emergency medical services teams. They must have free access down the length of the course and out on to the public roads.
- 3. The OC must post the address or postal code for the facility on the front door of the main building. The OC must announce the address/postal code to all at the TCM. It is also encouraged that the address is distributed in the club information package for emergency situations.

12.5 Warming Facilities and Restrooms

- 1. The expected entry for the event is between 150-200competitors. The site should have suitable on-site sheltered accommodation.
- 2. A separate space should be available for both genders at the event site to permit athletes to change from wet competition clothing to warm-ups and dry undergarments.
- 3. Accessible Washroom facilities must be available for athletes, coaches and officials. There must be one toilet for every 25 people. Flush toilets are preferred, however rented portable toilets are sufficient provided they are pumped out daily. Toilets should be inspected on a very regular basis throughout the day and restocked with supplies as required. This is an essential service, and many demands are placed on this system on race days.
- 4. Hand wash stations or hand sanitizer must be available at all restroom facilities.



12.6 Waxing Facilities

- 1. The use of fluorinated products is banned in all Nordiq Canada competitions.
- 2. A waxing facility, appropriate in size, must be provided. With Events and Officials Manager approval, teams may be charged at an agreed upon cost.
- 3. Space must be able to accommodate the following breakdown of wax forms:
 - a. Up to eight (8) athletes = one (1) table (2 forms)
 - b. Eight (8) 16 athletes = two (2) tables (4 forms) or the size of one (1) regulation cabin (8'x12')
 - c. 16 24 athletes = three (3) tables (6 forms)
 - d. 24 + athletes = four (4) tables (8 forms) or the size of two (2) regulation cabins (8'x12')
- 4. Designated wax areas should be coordinated along Province/Territorial Club jurisdictions with a minimum of 20 athletes including the following groups:
 - a. National Development Centre Teams (AWCA, TBay, CNEPH)
 - b. Visiting National Team programs
 - c. Foreign Guests
- 5. Wax pits will not be permitted for the Sprint competition.

12.7 Wax Testing

- 1. A suitable hill for glide testing must be within one (1) km of the stadium area and not on the competition course.
- 2. A warm-up course with a small uphill must be provided near to the start. Both the glide testing area and the warm-up course should be groomed and prepared in the same manner and at the same time as the rest of the competition course to simulate race conditions.
- 3. Note: Use of coaches' bibs as allocated by Nordiq Canada will be by Jury discretion.

12.8 Drinking Water

- 1. A minimum of two (2) accessible water stations must be available.
- 2. It is strongly recommended that an additional water station is placed or is available in the spectator area.



12.9 Doping Control Facilities

Doping control facilities and proper equipment must be provided in an area within walking distance of the stadium (permanent structure or trailers) or an acceptable driving distance that has a dedicated driver and chaperones. Athletes and coaches must be aware that doping control tests may be conducted by the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport (CCES) on a random basis in accordance with the Canadian Anti-Doping Program (CADP).

- 1. The Chief of Competition should contact the Events and Officials Manager one month prior to the event to determine the likelihood of a doping control test taking place and the need to make necessary arrangements. The knowledge given to the Chief of Competition on this subject must remain confidential. The OC must conform to the following guidelines if doping control is conducted during the event.
- 2. The doping control area should be divided into three (3) separate areas:
 - a. The waiting area should be large enough to accommodate athletes, representatives accompanying athletes, representatives of the CCES and doping control personnel.
 - b. Working room with table for three (3) people.
 - c. Toilet area with lavatory (at least one (1) must be wheelchair accessible with safe catheter and sharp disposal) and room for two people.
- 3. Equipment lockable refrigerator (if possible), assorted other minor equipment (desks, chairs, etc.).
- 4. Provision of six (6) eight (8) volunteers to assist with the control, preferably three male and three female to "shadow" the athletes (including warm-downs) prior to their tests. Some of these volunteers must be prepared and able to ski with the athlete if he/she chooses to do a warm-down.
- 5. More specific details will be provided to the LOC by CCES if controls are planned for their event.
- 6. For additional resources and general information about anti-doping, please contact the CCES:

a. Email: https://cces.ca/contact-us link

b. Call toll-free: 1-800-672-7775

c. Online: www.cces.ca/athletezone



13.0 Awards and Medal Ceremonies

13.1 Minimum Cash Purse for Open categories

- 1. To raise the profile of the sport, encourage senior skiers to continue to compete and attract high quality fields in North America, a cash purse is awarded to the winners of the Open category of competitions.
- 2. The OC is responsible for minimum cash purse for Open Categories.
- 3. Any other Cash Awards that the OC wishes to award is the responsibility of the OC. However, awarding of any other cash prizes must be done in a fair and equitable manner.
- 4. The minimum cash purse schedule for the competitions are:

Rank	Per Gender (CDN)
1 st	\$500
2 nd	\$300
3 rd	\$200
4 th	\$150
5 th	\$100
6 th	\$75
Totals	\$1,325

13.2 Awards Presentations, medals, cash, and Merchandise Awards

- 1. The awards Coordinator should prepare a blank ceremony list where the names of presenters, athletes and prize descriptions can be written in immediately after each competition.
- 2. Awards should be presented on-site. An awards schedule should be included in the competition schedule and communicated the day before the event, or in the TCM.
- 3. The unofficial result list will be posted on the official notice board as soon as possible after the competition, with the time of its publication noted.
- 4. If awards do not take place immediately after the finish of a category, racers should be allowed to cool down and change into dry clothes. The medal presentation ceremony should take place as soon as results are verified so as not to make athletes



wait in the cold.

- 5. Formats for the presentation of awards are at the discretion of the OC.
- 6. Medals are awarded to the top three (3) athletes in the category.
- 7. Awards and merchandise are awarded to the top six (6) athletes in the category.
- 8. Category awards that include top six (6) skiers will follow the protocol of announcing the 6th placed skier, followed by the 5th placed skier, etc.
- 9. Presentations should be brief, the announcement to include the name of the category, athletes' name, club, team, nation (if international) and position.
- 10. Once the athletes have been announced and have taken their position on the podium, the name and affiliation of the presenter should be introduced followed by the awarding of the medals and prizes.
- 11. For categories with a single entrant, medal and merchandise prizes are awarded.
- 12. Medals and their engravings will be coordinated and paid for by the Organizing Committee (for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place).
- 13. All merchandise awards will be coordinated and paid for by the Organizing Committee.

12.2.1 Order of Presentations for 2026 Olympic Winter Games Trials

In the event an international athlete reaches the top six (6) in a category, an additional podium ceremony for only Canadian athletes will be required.

- 1. Open Podium Canadian athletes only
- 2. Open Podium with international athletes (if required)

Other awards may be introduced by Nordiq Canada or Nordiq Canada sponsors. In these instances, prizes/awards will be provided by Nordig Canada or the sponsor. Details of such awards will be provided to the OC by the Events and Officials Manager.

14.0 Marketing Opportunities

- 1. Nordig Canada retains the marketing rights and properties to Nordig Canada events. If Nordiq Canada has an agreement for a Title sponsor, specific obligations relating to the Title Sponsorship will be provided to the OC when the Agreement to Host is negotiated.
- 2. Event sponsors are limited in this event as it is an official Canadian Olympic Committee Olympic Trials event. All sponsors, must be approved by Nordig Canada and the Canadian Olympic Committee.
- 3. Nordiq Canada will work with the OC to provide marketing and promotional



- opportunities for the OC. The OC is encouraged to partner with Nordig Canada's Marketing and Engagement Coordinator in planning, to promote their event as widely as possible.
- 4. All OC marketing/sponsorship initiatives must be discussed with the Marketing and Engagement Coordinator.
- 5. To capture useful information related to marketing of the competitions, the OC may be asked to complete an Event Sponsor and Media Evaluation Report after the competitions have been completed.

14.1 Marketing Rights of Nordiq Canada

Nordig Canada has the following marketing rights for the Event, and will outline to the OC 60 days before the Event which 'rights' it will choose to use:

- 1. Right to name competitions within the event that has a national implication e.g. "the AltaGas Canadian Sprint Series" - with associated Presenting Day Sponsors.
- 2. Right to locate event Day or Supporting race presenting sponsor banners in the stadium are outside of the primary location start/finish area in a primary location adjacent to the start/finish area (maximum of two banners per presenting sponsor) as mutually agreed to by the OC and Nordig Canada. The intent is to provide a balance between the bannering provided to the Title Sponsor and the bannering provided for race day and supporting sponsors. A signage plan should be agreed upon by 15 days before the start of the event by the Marketing and Engagement Coordinator or their designate, and the OC's marketing coordinator.
- 3. Right to set up a Nordiq Canada vendor tent.
- 4. Right for Nordiq Canada event and National Ski Team sponsors to set up a vendor tent.
- 5. Right to host activity(ies) as required to promote athlete pathways, officials' pathways, coaching pathways, or Title Sponsor support.
- 6. Right to provide podium or awards ceremony backdrops.
- 7. Right to identify the Title Sponsor on competition bibs and in the ceremony area.
- 8. Right to have two (2) Nordiq Canada Supporting sponsor flutter flags in the Start/Finish Area and at the Awards Ceremony.
- 9. Right to have Nordiq Canada sponsor/supplier banners located within the stadium
- 10. Right to have the Title Sponsor's representative involved in presentation of awards after each competition.
- 11. Right to have Nordiq Canada representatives participate in the Awards Ceremony.



Note: "Primary location" is defined as the area directly adjacent to the start/finish area, required to effectively position Title sponsors. Day and Supporting sponsor banners, whether they are Nordiq Canada or OC sponsors and suppliers, will be placed in the remaining area of the stadium outside of the primary start/finish area.

14.2 Marketing Rights of the OC

The OC is provided certain marketing rights and opportunities associated with the Event. Sponsors and suppliers obtained by the OC cannot conflict with recognized sponsors and suppliers of Nordiq Canada unless written permission is granted by Nordiq Canada through the Marketing and Engagement Coordinator or their designate. All sponsors must be approved by Nordiq Canada and the Canadian Olympic Committee.

The following are the rights and opportunities of the OC:

- Right to name a Title sponsor "The Canadian Tire 2026 Olympic Winter Games Trials".
- 2. Right to develop an Event Logo or brand in consultation with the Marketing and Engagement Coordinator. In doing so, the OC agrees to incorporate the bilingual name of the event and the Title Sponsor name within the logo.
- 3. Right to name day sponsors (specific event sponsors), where no national sponsor has been identified e.g., the 2024 Nordiq Canada Selection Race mass start, presented by Company W.
- 4. Right to develop and corporately brand sprint races bibs;
- 5. Right to place Title, Day and Supporting Sponsors on Podium Backdrop.
- 6. Right to display Title sponsor banners in the primary location adjacent to the start/finish area as mutually agreed to by the OC and Nordiq Canada.
- 7. Right to locate Day or Supporting sponsor banners in the stadium are outside of the primary location start/finish area (maximum of two banners per sponsor) as mutually agreed to by the OC and Nordiq Canada. The intent is to provide a balance between the bannering provided to the Title Sponsor and the bannering provided for Day and Supporting sponsors. A signage plan should be agreed upon between the Nordiq Canada Marketing and Engagement Coordinator, or their designate, and the OC's marketing coordinator.
- 8. Right to recognize the names/logos of event and race presenting sponsors on the start/finish banner, over PA announcements and on collateral material as per Nordiq Canada branding guidelines.
- 9. Right to develop and name sponsors for community festival initiatives e.g., the Company W Awards Banquet, the Company V Festival Tent.
- 10. Right to name local media partners to support and promote the event.



11. Note: "Primary location" is defined as the area directly adjacent to the start/finish area, required to effectively position Title sponsors. Day and Supporting sponsor banners, whether they are Nordig Canada or OC sponsors and suppliers, will be placed in the remaining area of the stadium outside of the primary start/finish area.

14.3 Marketing Obligations of the OC

The OC is required to fulfil the following:

- 1. Use of the official name of the event in all correspondence, including the Title Sponsor's name. This is to include, but not be limited to, event notices, entry forms, website promotions and local media initiatives.
- 2. Contract a photographer to capture racing highlights, podium ceremonies, atmosphere and events. Nordig Canada will be provided the photos for noncommercial use.
- 3. Primary recognition for the Title Sponsor in any media activities relating to the event, including but not limited to, brand positioning on all collateral and electronic material, prominence at all related media events (podium signage, name association, special presentations), title name ID in race reports.
- 4. Use of competition bibs as provided by Nordiq Canada.
- 5. Display of all Nordig Canada sponsor/supplier banners as identified by the Marketing and Engagement Coordinator. Note that the OC is financially responsible for the safe return of all banners and bibs supplied by Nordiq Canada.
- 6. In addition, the OC is encouraged to host local and regional representatives of Nordiq Canada sponsors and invite them to participate in event festivities, award presentations, etc. Nordig Canada will coordinate invitations when local sponsor presence is appropriate.

14.4 Press Relations

- 1. A dedicated media coordinator or press attaché should be provided by the OC. This person will:
 - a. Coordinate media, ensuring they have the information needed to attend the event
 - b. Provide accreditation if needed
 - c. Ensure media knows which areas they have access too
 - d. Ensure media knows where and what they're able to film and photograph
- 2. Nordig Canada can provide background material on participating athletes, current standings, photos, etc. The OC's media and communications coordinator should be



in direct contact with the Marketing and Engagement Coordinator.

- 3. The OC maintains responsibility to produce a daily press summary for all races that would include distribution to FIS and Nordiq Canada offices. This summary should include:
 - a. The top six (6) results from each category.
 - b. Photos for media use.
 - c. Quotes from key athletes.

14.5 Media Services

- 1. The OC must provide adequate on-site media servicing for media in attendance as well as a public interested in event results.
- 2. Services should be proportionate to the expected media and the site and include:
- 3. Access to high-speed Wi-Fi internet.
- 4. Cell phone or direct phone defined service which works from site; and
- 5. Live streaming of results
- 6. The OC's media and communication and marketing coordinator will work with Nordiq Canada's Marketing and Engagement Coordinator to assist local and national media on site. This should be included in the post-event Event Report completed by the OC and forwarded to the Events and Officials Manager. This will help play a large part in solidifying sponsorship efforts in the future.

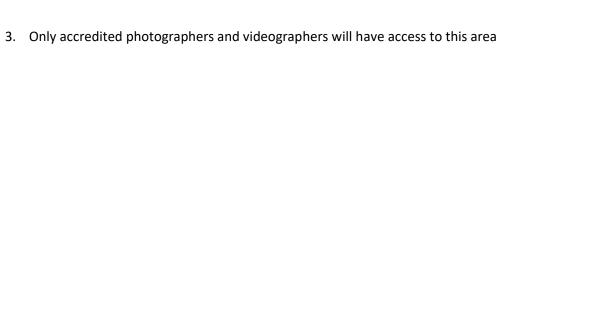
14.6 Mix Zone

- 1. A mix zone will be required near the finish
- 2. The finish area should be arranged so that all athletes move through the mix zone as they exit the finish area
- 3. The mix zone should have space so that presenters, and camera crews have space to conduct interviews with athletes
- 4. This mix zone should only be accessed by media with accreditation, or authorization
 - a. No coaches, wax techs, or spectators will have access to this area

14.7 Photography Zone Finish Line

- 1. A dedicated photographer zone will be required at the finish line.
- 2. The photographer zone should be at the end of the finish coral with an unobstructed view







Appendix A

Sample Sprint Heat Start List for FIS Sanctioned Competitions

3 Minute Heats with B Final			4 Minute Heats with No B Final						
Heat	Start	Finish	Gap	Rest	Heat	Start	Finish	Gap	Rest
U18 Girls Q1	12:00	12:03	0:03		Sr Women Q1	12:00	12:04	0:04	
U18 Girls Q2	12:03	12:06	0:03		Sr Women Q2	12:04	12:08	0:04	
U18 Girls Q3	12:06	12:09			Sr Women Q3	12:08	12:12		
U18 Girls Q4	12:09	12:12			Sr Women Q4	12:12	12:16		
U18 Girls Q5	12:12	12:15			SR Women Q5	12:16	12:20		
U18 Boys Q1	12:15	12:18			Sr Men Q1	12:20	12:24		
U18 Boys Q2	12:18	12:21			Sr Men Q2	12:24	12:28		
U18 Boys Q3	12:21	12:21			Sr Men Q3	12:28	12:32		
U18 Boys Q4	12:24	12:24			Sr Men Q4	12:32	12:36		
U18 Boys Q5	12:27	12:30			Sr Men Q5	12:36	12:40		
U18 Girls S1	12:33	12:36	0:03	0:18	Sr Women S1	12:44	12:48	0:04	0:24
U18 Girls S2	12:36	12:39	0:03		Sr Women S2	12:48	12:52	0:04	
U18 Boys S1	12:42	12:45		0:12	Sr Men S1	12:54	12:58		0:14
U18 Boys S2	12:45	12:48			Sr Men S2	13:02	13:06		
U18 Girls BF	12:51	12:54	0:03	0:12					
U18 Girls AF	12:54	12:57	0:03		Sr Women A-F	13:06	13:10	0:04	0:14
U18 Boys BF	13:00	13:03		0:12					
U18 Boys AF	13:03	13:06			Sr Men A-F	13:18	13:22		0:012

Appendix B

Race Results Example



01/09/2017

Print Results - Ski Nationals 2017 Day 4: Medium Interval Classic | Zone4.ca





Ski Nationals 2017 Day 4: Medium Interval Classic - Results

2017-03-21 - Canmore Nordic Centre

Jury		Weather		
Technical Delegate	Pierre Millette	Conditions	Partly Cloudy	
Assistant Technical Deleg	Dirk Rohde	Air Temperature	1.6	
Chief of Competition	Mike Norton	Snow Conditions	Transformed	
CCC Race Director	Dave Dyer	Snow Temperature	-2	

Open Men - Official

15km (4 x 3.75km)

	Name	Nation	Province	Time	Diffs
1	Devon Kershaw Bib: 589 1982 6521 3100006 Ontario	CAN Onaping Falls No	ON ordic CNST	0:45:05.3	
2	Dag Frode Trolleboe Bib: 607 1993 25050 3421788 Univers	NOR sity of Denver		0:45:49.9	+44.6
3	Moritz Madlener Bib: 609 1993 23184 3200426 Univers	GER sity of Denver		0:45:52.1	+46.8
4	Graeme Killick Blb:596 1989 14133 3100175 Alberta	CAN Ptarmigan Nord	AB dic AWCA	0:46:14.5	+1:09.2
5	David Palmer Bib: 592 1993 18506 3100292 British	CAN Columbia Black	BC Jack Ski Club	0:46:27.8	+1:22.5
6	Eivind Romberg Kvaale Bib: 586 1994 27236 3422243 Univers	NOR sity of Denver		0:46:30.3	+1:25.0
7	Graham Nishikawa Bib: 591 1983 12673 3100034 Yukon	CAN Whitehorse Ski C	YT Gub CPNST	0:46:31.8	+1:26.5
8	Michael Somppi Bib: 612 1988 13526 3100160 Ontario	CAN Lappe Nordic	ON NTDC TBay	0:46:44.8	+1:39.5
9	Thomas Hardy Bib: 554 1995 23611 3100244 British	CAN Columbia Telem	BC eark Nordic	0:47:10.5	+2:05.2
10	Evan Palmer-Charrette Bib: 590 1994 22598 3100283 Ontario	CAN Lappe Nordic	ON NTDC TBay	0:47:10.8	+2:05.5
11	Russell Kennedy Bib: 611 1991 25625 3100268 Alberta	CAN Canmore Nordi	AB c Team R.A.D.	0:47:13.0	+2:07.7
12	Julien Lamoureux Bib: 602 1994 21454 3100301 Quebec	CAN Montériski CN	QC IEPH	0:47:39.8	+2:34.5
13	Jack Carlyle Bib: 593 1993 19782 3100266 Ontario	CAN Soo Finnish Al	ON WCA	0:47:52.6	+2:47.3
14	Rogan Brown Bib: 606 1991 22919 3530550 Sun Va	USA lley SEF		0:47:58.7	+2:53.4
15	Gareth Williams Bib: 613 1997 25705 3100351 British	CAN Columbia Telem	BC nark Nordic BCST Junior: 1/48	0:48:01.6	+2:56.3
16	Kevin Sandau Bib: 600 1988 13504 3100128 Alberta	CAN Foothills Nordic	AB	0:48:08.5	+3:03.2
17	Ryan Jackson Bib: 575 1997 28149 3100380 Ontario	CAN Team Hardwoo	ON od Junior: 2/48	0:48:12.2	+3:06.9

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