

## 2025-26 PARA NORDIC WORLD CUP PERIOD TWO (2) COMPETITION TEAM

Congratulations to the following athletes who have been selected to the Para Nordic World Cup Period Two (2) Team with Para Cross Country and Para Biathlon races in Notschrei GER / Finsterau GER / Jakuszyce POL from January 6<sup>th</sup> – January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026. Athlete selections were based on the <u>2025-26 Para Nordic Competition Trip Selection Criteria</u>.

### **Competition Trip Objectives:**

• Preparation for the 2026 Paralympic Winter Games.

### Selection Rationale, Cross Country:

Name	WC P2 Criteria	Criteria Description	Evidence
Collin Cameron	1.2.a	Athletes meeting criteria to be nominated to the 2026 Paralympic Winter Games (PWG) Team in order of the 2026 PWG selection criteria priority ranking list.	2 <sup>nd</sup> – 10KM Interval Sitting Start Classic – Canmore World Cup 17.65 FIS points earned
Derek Zaplotinsky	1.2.a	SAME AS ABOVE	3 <sup>rd</sup> – 10KM Mass Start Sitting Classic – Canmore World Cup 11.86 FIS points earned
Mark Arendz	1.2.a	SAME AS ABOVE	3 <sup>rd</sup> – 10KM Mass Start Standing Classic – Canmore World Cup 49.15 FIS points earned
Jesse Bachinsky + guide	1.2.a	SAME AS ABOVE	5 <sup>th</sup> – 10KM Mass Start VI Classic – Canmore World Cup 34.66 FIS points earned



Logan Lariviere + guide	1.2.a	SAME AS ABOVE	8 <sup>th</sup> - 10KM Mass Start VI Classic – Canmore World Cup 78.20 FIS points earned		
Leo Sammarelli	1.2.a	SAME AS ABOVE	17 <sup>th</sup> - 10KM Interval Sitting Start Classic – Canmore World Cup 168.09 FIS points earned		
Natalie Wilkie	1.2.a	SAME AS ABOVE	2 <sup>nd</sup> – 10KM Mass Start Standing Start Classic – Canmore World Cup  11.11 FIS points earned		
Madison Mullin + guide	1.2.a	SAME AS ABOVE	2 <sup>nd</sup> – 10KM Interval Standing Start Classic – Canmore World Cup 75.56 FIS points earned		
Brittany Hudak	1.2.a	SAME AS ABOVE	4 <sup>th</sup> - 10KM Interval Standing Start Classic – Canmore World Cup 74.45 FIS points earned		
Christina Picton	1.2.a	SAME AS ABOVE	7 <sup>th</sup> – 10KM Mass Start Sitting Classic – Canmore World Cup 108.55 FIS points earned		
Emma Archibald	1.2.a	SAME AS ABOVE	8 <sup>th</sup> – 1.5KM Sprint Final Standing Free – Canmore World Cup 132.73 FIS points earned		
The athlete below is selected based on being the only remaining athlete meeting IPC eligibility criteria for nomination to the Paralympic Winter Games (240 or less FIS/IBU points).					
Lyne-Marie Bilodeau	1.2.a	SAME AS ABOVE	11 <sup>th</sup> – 10KM Mass Start Sitting Classic – Canmore World Cup 190.69 FIS points earned		



# Selection Rationale, Biathlon:

Name	WC P2 Criteria	Criteria Description	Evidence
Mark Arendz	<b>1.2.</b> a	Athletes meeting criteria to be nominated to the 2026 PWG Team in order of the 2026 PWG selection criteria priority ranking list.	1 <sup>st</sup> – Standing Men 12.5KM Individual, Canmore World Cup 1 <sup>st</sup> – Standing Men Sprint Pursuit Final, Canmore World Cup
Collin Cameron	1.2.a	SAME AS ABOVE	1 <sup>st</sup> – Sitting Men 7.5KM Sprint, Canmore World Cup 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Sitting Men 12.5KM Individual, Canmore World Cup
Derek Zaplotinsky	1.2.a	SAME AS ABOVE	4 <sup>th</sup> – Sitting Men 12.5KM Individual, Canmore World Cup
Natalie Wilkie	1.2.a	SAME AS ABOVE	1 <sup>st</sup> – Standing Women 12.5KM Individual, Canmore World Cup
Brittany Hudak	1.2.a	SAME AS ABOVE	3 <sup>rd</sup> – Standing Women 7.5KM Sprint, Canmore World Cup
Maddie Mullin + guide	1.2.a	SAME AS ABOVE	4 <sup>th</sup> – VI Women 12.5KM Individual, Canmore World Cup
Christina Picton	1.2.a	SAME AS ABOVE	7 <sup>th</sup> – Sitting Women 7.5KM Sprint, Canmore World Cup



#### **Nomination Process:**

Athlete nominations were made by the High-Performance Manager and reviewed by the High-Performance Committee (HPC) based on the 2025-26 Nordiq Canada Competition Trip Selection Criteria. The HPC oversaw the selection process as per the Nordiq Canada Nomination, Selection and Announcement policy. Members of this committee are:

- Graham Nishikawa (athlete rep Para)
- Devon Kershaw (athlete rep Olympic)
- Maria Lundgren (BC)
- Pauline Nadlersmith (MB)
- John Lofranco (Athletics Canada)

Final athlete selections were approved by Marshall Starkman, Para High-Performance Manager: mstarkman@nordiqcanada.ca

Selection decisions may be appealed under the Nordiq Canada <u>Dispute Resolution and Appeals Policy</u>. Any dispute must be brought directly to the Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada (SDRCC) to be heard pursuant to the Canadian Sport Dispute Resolution Code. An athlete who wishes to appeal shall file an appeal with the SDRCC within three (3) days of the nomination Synopsis and Rationale being posted to the Nordiq Canada website.

#### Notes:

No female athletes are in a position to be named as 'alternates' for Paralympic Games nomination as they have not met the IPC's Eligibility requirements.

One male athlete does meet the IPC's Eligibility requirements, but we have elected (per our policy) not to name that athlete to the P2 trip in order to focus our attention on the 12 athletes who will be nominated to the Paralympic Games. We will look to provide support domestically to keep this athlete engaged as an 'alternate' in the lead-up to the Paralympics.