

2024-2025 PARA NORDIC TEAM AND AAP NOMINATIONS

Congratulations to the following athletes who have been nominated to the Paralympic stream of the National Ski Team based on the criteria outlined in the *Para Nordic Canada National Ski Team (PNST) Selection Criteria 2024-25* and to the athletes who will be nominated to Sport Canada to receive AAP carding under the *Para Nordic Athlete Assistance Program Selection Criteria 2024-25*.

Selection Rational

- The goal of PNST and AAP selection criteria is to select athletes who demonstrate the potential for a podium performance.
- For World Cup Team selection, the FIS PN points listed are a combination of the best of two (2) races.
- Athletes are listed in priority order for AAP carding nominations, as there is no priority selection order for selection to the PNST World Cup team.

The deadline to appeal PN nominations is **Wednesday, May 8, 2024 11:59 PM** in the time zone of the athlete's current residence. Appeals must be submitted in writing to Nordiq Canada's **Appeal Manager, Stefano Mingarelli, at stefmingarelli@gmail.com**.

Athlete	WC Team Criteria	Team Criteria Description	AAP Criteria	AAP Criteria Description	Example/Evidence	FIS PN Points	Card Type
Mark Arendz	4.1.a	Athletes achieving one (1) race result in the 2023-24 season at FIS PSS sanctioned World Cup (WC), World Cup Final events, and/or World Biathlon Championships, of 30 FIS PSS points or less in FIS PSS cross-country (CC) and/or FIS PSS biathlon (BT) events will qualify for selection to the PNST World Cup Team. The nomination will be based on the purpose and objectives outlined in Section 2.0 and the recommendation of the HPD-Para to the High Performance Committee (HPC). This assessment will consider the depth of field at these events and a minimum of top 5/top-half final result.	5.2.a	For the 2024-25 carding year, SR1 cards will be awarded for international criteria to athletes achieving a top eight (8); AND top half of the field at the FIS PSS World Championships in a Paralympic event. Athletes will be ranked in accordance with their single best individual placing. In a year where no FIS PSS World Championships or Paralympic Winter Games are held, there will be no SR1 cards awarded.	12 races under 30 points 1 st Sp World Para Biathlon Championships 1 st Ind World Para Biathlon Championships	0.00 pts	SR1
Natalie Wilkie	4.1.a	SAME AS ABOVE	5.2.a	SAME AS ABOVE	8 races under 30 points 1 st Sp World Para Biathlon Championships 3 rd Ind World Para Biathlon Championships	15.78 pts	SR1
Brittany Hudak	4.1.a	SAME AS ABOVE	5.2.a	SAME AS ABOVE	6 races under 30 points 3 rd Sp World Para Biathlon Championships	16.45 pts	SR1
Derek Zaplotinsky	4.1.a	SAME AS ABOVE	5.2.a	SAME AS ABOVE	8 races under 30 points 4 th Sp World Para Biathlon Championships	8.32 pts	SR1
Collin Cameron	4.1.a	SAME AS ABOVE	5.2.b	Athletes who held a SR1 card in 2023-24 may be eligible for nomination.	3 races under 30 points SR1 card in 2023-24	7.79 pts	SR2
Emma Archibald	4.1.a	SAME AS ABOVE	5.3.b	Athletes placing top-8 AND top half of the field in an individual result at a 2023-24 FIS PSS World Cup.	1 race under 30 points 4 th Sp F World Cup Toblach (15 racers)*	36.42 pts	SR

*FIS PSS points awarded for qualifier.

Athlete	NG Team Criteria	Team Criteria Description	AAP Criteria	AAP Criteria Description	Example/Evidence	FIS PN Points	Card Type
Christina Picton	4.2.a	Athletes achieving two (2) results in the 2023-24 season at FIS PSS sanctioned World Cup (WC), World Cup Final events, and/or World Biathlon Championships, of 90 FIS PSS points or less in FIS PSS CC and/or FIS PSS BT events will qualify for selection to the PNST NextGen Team. Based on the purpose and objectives outlined in section 2.0 and the recommendation of the HPD-Para to the HPC. This assessment will consider the depth of field at these events and minimum top half result.	5.3.b	Athletes placing top-8 AND top half of the field in an individual result at a 2023-24 FIS PSS World Cup.	2 races under 90 FIS PN points 5 th Sp C World Cup Martell (11 racers)	69.93	SR
Ethan Hess	4.2.a	SAME AS ABOVE	5.3.c	Athletes placing 9 th to 16 th AND top half of the field in an individual race result at a 2023-24 FIS PSS WC	3 races under 90 FIS PN points 12 th Sp C World Cup Martell (30 racers)	82.13	SR
Athlete	DEV Team Criteria	Team Criteria Description	AAP Criteria	AAP Criteria Description	Example/Evidence	FIS PN Points	Card Type
Lyne-Marie Bilodeau	4.3.a	Athletes achieving at least two (2) results in the 2023-24 season at FIS PSS sanctioned COC events (i.e. US Nationals and/or results at Canmore Selection event Nov 21-26, 2023), World Cup (WC), World Cup Final events, and/or World Biathlon Championships, of 180 FIS PSS points or less against a depth of field and a current and proven international WC podium or Top 5 performer), in FIS PSS cross- country (CC) and/or FIS PSS Biathlon (BT) events will qualify for selection to the PNST Development Team. Based on the purpose and objectives outlined in section 2.0 and the recommendation of the PNST National Coach to the HPD-Para and HPC. This assessment will consider the depth of field at these events.	6.1.b	Athletes on the PNST Development Team ranked in accordance with their two (2) best (lowest FIS PSS points) individual result at any FIS PSS sanctioned COC races (i.e., US Para Nordic Nationals), WC or WCH race during the 2023-24 season. Athletes must achieve a combined average of 150 FIS PSS points or less to be considered.	8 races under 180 pts 98.56 pts 10K C World Cup Toblach 101.66 20k C World Cup Prince George	100.11 pts	D
Leo Sammarelli	4.3.a	SAME AS ABOVE	6.1.b	SAME AS ABOVE	3 races under 180 pts 115.89 Sp F World Cup Prince George 148.14 20k C World Cup Prince George	132 pts	D
Jesse Bachinsky	4.3.a	SAME AS ABOVE	6.1.b	SAME AS ABOVE	2 races under 180 pts 109.15 20k C World Cup Prince George 170.15 5k C World Cup Prince George	139.65	D
Levi Nadlersmith (GUIDE)	4.3.a	SAME AS ABOVE	6.1.b	SAME AS ABOVE	SAME AS ABOVE	N/A	D
Athlete	Prospect Team Criteria	Team Criteria Description	AAP Criteria	AAP Criteria Description	Example/Evidence	FIS PN Points	Card Type
Madison Mullin	4.4.b	HPD recommendation	N/A	N/A	1st 5k C Canmore COC, 287.1 pts	N/A	N/A

Logan Lariviere	4.4.b	SAME AS ABOVE	N/A	N/A	Internationally classified.	N/A	N/A
Logan Cox	4.4.b	SAME AS ABOVE	N/A	N/A	2 nd Nordiq Canada Ski Nationals 3 rd Nordiq Canada Ski Nationals	N/A	N/A

The HPC oversaw the athlete nomination selection process as per the *Nordiq Canada Selection, Nominations and Announcement* policy. Members of this committee are:

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

Final athlete selections were approved by Chris Jeffries, High Performance Director