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## **2021-2022 NATIONAL SKI TEAM AND AAP NOMINATIONS – Olympic Stream**

### **Selection Rational**

- The goal of NST and AAP selection criteria is to select athletes who demonstrate the potential for a podium performance (current and NextGen).
- Junior and U23 athletes are in a high development phase (growth, maturity, experience, performances). Using results that are older than a year does not accurately reflect the current competitive level of the athlete.
- 12 athletes achieved objective qualification outlined in the *NST Selection Criteria 2021-22* document. At this time only athletes who met objective selection criteria are being selected to the NST Olympic stream.
- With the selection of the 12 athletes who have met the objective criteria, two minimum team requirements spots remain open; 1 U23 female and 1 JR female.
- Selection event(s) in the 2021-22 season will be used to fill NST minimum quota spots for U20/U23 and junior athletes, as well as any remaining AAP Development cards. This ensures:
  - Athletes are selected on current performance – not performances from 2 years ago.
  - Fair selection of athletes based on head-to-head competition.
  - Provides incentive for continued training and motivation in the community at large.
  - Regroups the community early in the season for motivation and connection.
- Sport Canada has confirmed that cards allocated at a later date to athletes who meet AAP nomination qualifications and are approved by Sport Canada, will receive the FULL amount retroactive to regular allocation date. For example, an athlete awarded a full development card in January will receive the entire amount of funding from the start of the carding cycle (June 1, 2021) up to the current AAP carding payment cycle.
- Sport Canada also confirms that any senior athlete that is NOT carded but is selected to the Olympic Team will receive an Olympic Card – equivalent to 4 months of carding.
- Selection event(s) will occur between November 2021 and January 2022. Exact locations, dates and race program will be confirmed May 2021.
- Identified high performing athletes, particularly U23 and junior athletes, who have an expectation of achieving retroactive NST selection or AAP carding, based on current performance data, will be given opportunities to participate and be involved in the NST training program.
- FIS does not give WC points at the WSC; however, Nordiq Canada sees top 30 results at the WSC as equivalent to WC results and has therefore chosen to apply WC points in the selection criteria to the WSC results achieved by Canadian athletes at the event in 2021. See point 5.3 of the *National Ski Team Selection Criteria 2021-22*.

**Congratulations to the Athletes below, highlighted in yellow, who have been newly** named to the Olympic stream of the National Ski Team based on the criteria outlined in the Nordiq Canada *National Ski Team (NST) Selection Criteria 2021-22* and will be nominated to Sport Canada to receive AAP carding under the *Athlete Assistance Program Selection Criteria 2021-22*.

**Congratulations to the Athletes who have been newly nominated** to Sport Canada to receive AAP carding under the *Athlete Assistance Program Selection Criteria 2021-22*.

The deadline to appeal the **NEW** NST and AAP carding nominations is Monday, February 7, 2022, 11:59 MST. Appeals must be submitted in writing to Nordiq Canada's Appeal Manager, Stefano Mingarelli, at [stefmingarelli@gmail.com](mailto:stefmingarelli@gmail.com).

Athlete	OLY NST Team Criteria	Team Criteria Description	AAP Criteria	AAP Criteria Description	Example/Evidence	NST Program	Card Type
Graham Ritchie	Criteria A 5.6.j	U23 One top 20 WSC/OWG/WC individual final finish race result	5.2.a	Athletes who qualified for the NST senior program on priority A criteria in order of NST qualification	17 <sup>th</sup> in the sprint freestyle at Ulricehamn World Cup (WC)	SR	SR
Antoine Cyr	Criteria A 5.6.k	U23 Two top 30 WSC/OWG/WC individual final finish race result	5.2.a	Athletes who qualified for the NST senior program on priority A criteria in order of NST qualification	27 <sup>th</sup> in the skiathlon and 27 <sup>th</sup> in the 50km classic mass start at 2021 World Ski Championships	SR	SR
Olivier Léveillé	Criteria A 5.6.p	U20 One top 10 WJR individual final finish race result	5.2.a	Athletes who qualified for the NST senior program on priority A criteria in order of NST qualification	3 <sup>rd</sup> in the 10 km freestyle at 2021 World Junior Ski Championships	SR	C1
Thomas (Tom) Stephen	Criteria A 5.6.p	U20 One top 10 WJR individual final finish race result	5.2.b	Athletes who qualified for the NST junior program on priority A criteria in order of NST qualification	5 <sup>th</sup> in the 30 km classic mass start and 10 <sup>th</sup> in 10 km freestyle at 2021 World Junior Ski Championships	JR	C1
<i>Olivier and Tom both qualified on Selection Criteria A: 5.6.p. As per point 5.5 of the NST selection criteria, athletes meeting the same criteria will be ranked on their single best race result. Olivier's best single race result of 3<sup>rd</sup> place ranks higher than Tom's best single race result of 5<sup>th</sup>. Therefore, Olivier qualifies on a higher priority than Tom.</i>							
Dahria Beatty	Criteria B 5.7.f	U27 22 World Cup individual points	5.2.c	Athletes who qualified for the NST senior program on priority B criteria in order of NST qualification	24 World Cup points for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 23<sup>rd</sup> (8 pts) in the 10 km classic mass start and 15<sup>th</sup> (16 pts) in the 30 km freestyle pursuit at Engadin WC</li> </ul>	SR	SR
Katherine Stewart-Jones	Criteria B 5.7.f	U27 22 World Cup individual points	5.2.c	Athletes who qualified for the NST senior program on priority B criteria in order of NST qualification	40 World Cup points for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 24<sup>th</sup> skiathlon (7 pts) at Lahti WC</li> <li>• 17<sup>th</sup> 10 km classic mass start (14 pts) and 30<sup>th</sup> sprint classic final (1 pt) at Falun WC</li> <li>• 28<sup>th</sup> skiathlon (3 pts) and 23<sup>rd</sup> 30 km classic mass start (8 pt) at 2021 World Ski Championships</li> <li>• 24<sup>th</sup> 30 km freestyle pursuit (7 pts) Engadin WC</li> </ul>	SR	SR
<i>In calculating Katherine's World Cup point total, as per point 5.3 in the NST selection criteria, the World Cup point system was unofficially applied to the 2021 World Ski Championship results.</i>							

<i>Dahria and Katherine both qualified on Selection Criteria A: 5.7.f. As per point 5.5 of the NST selection criteria, athletes meeting the same criteria will be ranked on their single best race result. Dahria's best single race result of 15<sup>th</sup> place ranks higher than Katherine's best single race result of 17<sup>th</sup>. Therefore, Dahria qualifies on a higher priority than Katherine.</i>							
Rémi Drolet	Criteria B 5.7.l	U21 One top 40 WSC/OWG/WC open individual final finish race result	5.2.c	Athletes who qualified for the NST senior program on priority B criteria in order of NST qualification	31 <sup>st</sup> in the 50 km classic mass start at the 2021 World Ski Championships	SR	SR
Jasmine Drolet	Criteria B 5.7.n	U20 One top 20 WJR individual final finish race result	6.1.a	Athletes who qualified for the NST junior program on priority B criteria in order of NST qualification	18 <sup>th</sup> in the 15 km race at the 2021 World Junior Ski Championships	JR	D
<i>Although Jasmine is in the U19 category, NST selection criteria point 5.4. states "Athletes may qualify under a criteria above their age group, and will be ranked according to that criteria ranking; however, they will remain within the NST program appropriate to their development."</i>							
Cendrine Browne	Criteria C 5.8.c	>27 22 World Cup individual points	5.2.d	Athletes who qualified for the NST senior program on priority C criteria in order of NST qualification	28 World Cup points for the following results: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 23<sup>rd</sup> skiathlon (8 pts), 27<sup>th</sup> 30 km classic mass start (4 pts), and 27<sup>th</sup> 10 km freestyle (4 pts) at 2021 World Ski Championships,</li> <li>• 23<sup>rd</sup> 10 km freestyle (8 pts) Falun WC</li> <li>• 27<sup>th</sup> skiathlon (4 pts) Lahti WC</li> </ul>	SR	SR
<i>In calculating Cendrine's World Cup point total, as per point 5.3 in the NST selection criteria, the World Cup point system was unofficially applied to the 2021 World Ski Championship results.</i>							
Maya MacIsaac-Jones	Criteria C 5.8.d	U27 One top 20 individual WSC/OWG/WC open individual final finish race result	5.2.d	Athletes who qualified for the NST senior program on priority C criteria in order of NST qualification	18 <sup>th</sup> in the sprint at the Ulricehamn WC	SR	SR
Pierre Grall-Johnson	Criteria C 5.8.i	U23 One top 18 U23 WSC individual final finish race result	5.2.d	Athletes who qualified for the NST senior program on priority C criteria in order of NST qualification	18 <sup>th</sup> at the U23 2021 World Ski Championships	SR	SR
Xavier McKeever	Criteria C 5.8.m	JR-18 Top 50% WJR individual final finish race result	6.1.b	Athletes who qualified for the NST junior program on priority C criteria in order of NST qualification	37 <sup>th</sup> (out of 96) in the 10 km freestyle at the 2021 World Junior Ski Championships	JR	D
Anna Parent	Criteria 5.9.a	Highest ranked U23 female in their respective age group ranking list, compiling the best 2 of 4 race results from races identified in the criteria	5.2.f	Athletes who qualified for the NST senior program through the selection event(s) as referred to in the 2021-22 NST Selection Criteria in order of NST qualification.	Top ranked athlete on U23 ranking list with 180 pts	SR	C1
<i>Anna Parent and Beth Granstrom tied for points on the ranking list. As per 5.9.iii point 5.5 of the criteria was used to break the tie on their single best race result in the eligible races progressing to 2<sup>nd</sup> best, 3<sup>rd</sup>, best etc. until the tie is broken. The tie was broken based on the 4<sup>th</sup> best results of the athletes, with Anna achieving 50 pts and Beth achieving 45 pts.</i>							
Sonjaa Schmidt	Criteria 5.9.a	Highest ranked U20 female in their respective age group ranking list compiling the best 2 of 4 race results from races identified in the criteria	6.1.d	Athletes who qualified for the NST junior program through the selection event(s) as referred to in the 2021-22 NST Selection Criteria in order of NST qualification.	Top ranked athlete on the U20 ranking list with 160 pts	JR	D
<i>The top ranked U20 athlete was Jasmine Drolet with 200 pts. As per criteria 5.9.a.iv, 2021-22 athletes already named to the NST will be included in the points scoring system but not included in the final selection list. With Jasmine removed from selection, Sonjaa becomes the top ranked athlete.</i>							

## AAP Carding Selection Rationale

Athlete	AAP Criteria	AAP Criteria Description	Example/Evidence	Card Type
Liliane Gagnon	6.1.e.i	Highest ranking eligible U20 male and female athletes on the combined ranking list. The athlete with the highest points will have priority selection.	160 pts	D
Sasha Masson	6.1.e.i	Highest ranking eligible U20 male and female athletes on the combined ranking list. The athlete with the highest points will have priority selection.	90 pts	D
Marielle Ackermann	6.1.e.ii	Next highest ranking eligible U20 male and female athletes on the combined ranking list. The athlete with the highest points will have priority selection.	130 pts	D
Luke Fricker	6.1.e.ii	Next highest ranking eligible U20 male and female athletes on the combined ranking list. The athlete with the highest points will have priority selection.	77 pts	D
Beth Granstrom	6.1.e.iii	Next highest ranking eligible male and female (U23 or U20) athletes from the combined ranking list. The athlete with the highest points will have priority selection.	130 pts	D
Léo Grandbois	6.1.e.iii	Next highest ranking eligible male and female (U23 or U20) athletes from the combined ranking list. The athlete with the highest points will have priority selection.	100 pts	D
Jasmine Lyons	6.1.e.iv	Repeat iii until AAP carding funding allotment has been reached.	120 pts	D
Sam Hendry	6.1.e.iv	Repeat iii until AAP carding funding allotment has been reached.	92 pts	D
Anna Pryce	6.1.e.iv	Repeat iii until AAP carding funding allotment has been reached.	110 pts	D
Joe Davies	6.1.e.iv	Repeat iii until AAP carding funding allotment has been reached.	76 pts	D
<p><i>Joe Davies tied with Félix-Olivier Moreau for points. As outlined in criteria 6.1.e ties will be broken by the number of 1<sup>st</sup> place finishes on the final selection list; if a tie persists, the number of 2<sup>nd</sup> place finishes will be used, etc. The tie was broken by the 3<sup>rd</sup> best placing result with Joe achieving 22 pts and Félix-Olivier having 15 pts result.</i></p>				
Sarah Cullinan	6.1.e.iv	Repeat iii until AAP carding funding allotment has been reached.	96 pts	D
<b>FUNDING ALLOTMENT REACHED</b>				

## SUMMARY OF NATIONAL TEAM NOMINATIONS

### **Olympic Senior Program**

Graham Ritchie

Antoine Cyr

Olivier Léveillé

Dahria Beatty

Katherine Stewart-Jones

Rémi Drolet

Cendrine Browne

Maya MacIsaac-Jones

Pierre Grall-Johnson

**Anna Parent – NEW selection**

### **Olympic Junior Program**

Thomas (Tom) Stephen

Jasmine Drolet

Xavier McKeever

**Sonjaa Schmidt – NEW selection**

## SUMMARY OF AAP NOMINATIONS

### **Senior Cards**

Graham Ritchie

Antoine Cyr

Olivier Léveillé -C1

Thomas (Tom) Stephen – C1

Dahria Beatty

Katherine Stewart-Jones

Rémi Drolet

Cendrine Browne

Maya MacIsaac-Jones

Pierre Grall-Johnson

**Anna Parent – C1, New**

### **Development Cards**

Jasmine Drolet

Xavier McKeever

**Sonjaa Schmidt – New**

**Liliane Gagnon – New**

**Sasha Masson – New**

**Marielle Ackermann – New**

**Luke Fricker – New**

**Beth Granstrom – New**

**Léo Grandbois – New**

Jasmine Lyons – New

Sam Hendry – New

Anna Pryce – New

Joe Davies – New

Sarah Cullinan - New