

2022-2023 PARA NORDIC TEAM AND AAP NOMINATIONS

Selection Rational

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

Congratulations to the following athletes who have been named 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 2022-23* and who will be nominated to Sport Canada to receive AAP carding under the *Para Nordic Athlete Assistance Program Selection Criteria 2022-23*.

The deadline to appeal PN NST nomination is Wednesday, May 18, 2022 11:59 MST. 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	WPNS Points	Card Type
Brian McKeever	4.1.a	Athletes achieving at least one (1) race result in the 2021-22 season at WPNS sanctioned World Cup, World Cup Final events, World Championships, or Paralympic Games of 30 WPNS points or less in either cross country or biathlon events	5.2.a	SR1 cards will be awarded for international criteria to athletes achieving a top eight; AND top half of the field at the 2022 Paralympic Winter Games.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 gold medals at Paralympic Games • 2 gold medals WC Canmore 	0 pts	SR1
Russell Kennedy	4.1.a	GUIDE	5.2.a	GUIDE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 gold medals at Paralympic Games 	N/A	SR1
Graham Nishikawa	4.1.a	GUIDE	5.2.a	GUIDE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 gold medal at Paralympic Games • 3 gold medals WC Canmore 	N/A	SR1
Natalie Wilkie	4.1.a	Athletes achieving at least one (1) race result in the 2021-22 season at WPNS sanctioned World Cup, World Cup Final events, World Championships, or Paralympic Games of 30 WPNS points or less in either cross country or biathlon events	5.2.a	SR1 cards will be awarded for international criteria to athletes achieving a top eight; AND top half of the field at the 2022 Paralympic Winter Games.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 gold, 1 silver at Paralympic Games • 2 gold, 2 silver at WC Canmore 	0 pts	SR1
Mark Arendz	4.1.a	Athletes achieving at least one (1) race result in the 2021-22 season at WPNS sanctioned World Cup, World Cup Final events, World Championships, or Paralympic Games of 30 WPNS points or less in either cross country or biathlon events	5.2.a	SR1 cards will be awarded for international criteria to athletes achieving a top eight; AND top half of the field at the 2022 Paralympic Winter Games.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 gold, 1 silver and 1 bronze medals at Paralympic Games • 1 bronze WC Canmore 	18.57 pts	SR1

Brittany Hudak	4.1.a	Athletes achieving at least one (1) race result in the 2021-22 season at WPNS sanctioned World Cup, World Cup Final events, World Championships, or Paralympic Games of 30 WPNS points or less in either cross country or biathlon events	5.2.a	SR1 cards will be awarded for international criteria to athletes achieving a top eight; AND top half of the field at the 2022 Paralympic Winter Games.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 bronze medals at Paralympic Games 4 gold, 1 silver at WC Canmore 	16.34	SR1
Collin Cameron	4.1.a	Athletes achieving at least one (1) race result in the 2021-22 season at WPNS sanctioned World Cup, World Cup Final events, World Championships, or Paralympic Games of 30 WPNS points or less in either cross country or biathlon events	5.2.a	SR1 cards will be awarded for international criteria to athletes achieving a top eight; AND top half of the field at the 2022 Paralympic Winter Games.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 bronze medals at Paralympic Games 1 gold, 1 silver, 2 bronze at WC Canmore 	18.18	SR1
Emily Young (DECLINED NOMINATION)	4.1.a	Athletes achieving at least one (1) race result in the 2021-22 season at WPNS sanctioned World Cup, World Cup Final events, World Championships, or Paralympic Games of 30 WPNS points or less in either cross country or biathlon events	5.3.b	SR1 cards will be awarded for international criteria to athletes achieving a top eight; AND top half of the field at the 2022 Paralympic Winter Games.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7th of 16 in Paralympic Games biathlon 1 silver, 2 bronze at WC Canmore 	24.77 pts	SR1
Derek Zaplotinsky	4.1.b	The PNST Head Coach may recommend to the HPD-PARA other athletes for selection to this Team based on assessment of past performance and potential to be able to contribute to Canada's medal success at the 2022-2023 WPNS World Cups or World Championship events or the 2026 Paralympic Games.	5.3.b	WPNS World Cup (WC) athletes placing top 8 AND top half of the field individual result at a 2021-22 WPNS World Cup. Athletes will be ranked in accordance with their single best individual placing at any 2021-22 WPNS World Cup	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5th of 22 in WC XC middle sit ski 6 results in top 8 and top half 	40.23	SR
Athlete	Develop Team Criteria	Team Criteria Description	AAP Criteria	AAP Criteria Description	Example/Evidence	WPNS Points	Card Type
Christina Picton	4.2.j	Athletes achieving at least two (2) results in the 2021-22 season at WPNS World Cups, World Championships or Paralympic Games of 90 WPNS points or less in either cross country or biathlon events on the WPNS Cross-country (CC) and/or WPNS Biathlon (BT) ranking list (April 2022) will qualify for selection to the PNST Development Team.	6.1.a	Athletes on the PNST Development Team ranked in accordance with their best (lowest WPNS points) individual result at any WC or WCH race during the 2021-22 season.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6th at Paralympic Games XC sprint 5 WC and PWG races under 90 WPNS 	52.93 pts 65.45 pts	D
Ethan Hess	4.2.j	Athletes achieving at least two (2) results in the 2021-22 season at WPNS World Cups, World Championships or Paralympic Games of 90 WPNS points or less in either cross country or biathlon events on the WPNS Cross-country (CC) and/or WPNS Biathlon (BT) ranking list (April 2022) will qualify for selection to the PNST Development Team.	6.1.a	Athletes on the PNST Development Team ranked in accordance with their best (lowest WPNS points) individual result at any WC or WCH race during the 2021-22 season.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 82.18 pts WC Canmore XC sprint 87.88 pts WC Canmore XC middle distance 	82.18 pts 87.88 pts	D

Athlete	NextGen Team Criteria	Team Criteria Description	AAP Criteria	AAP Criteria Description	Example/Evidence	WPNS Points	Card Type
Jesse Bachinsky	4.3.a	Athletes achieving at least two (2) results in the 2021-22 season at WPNS sanctioned COC events (i.e., US Nationals) against a depth of field and a current and proven international WC podium or Top 5 performer, World Cups, World Championships or Paralympic Games, WPNS Biathlon (BT), of 180 WPNS points or less on the WPNS Cross-country (CC) and/or WPNS Biathlon (BT) ranking list (April 2022) will qualify for selection to the PNST NextGen (Prospects) Team	6.1.b	Athletes on the PNST NextGen Team ranked in accordance with their two best (lowest WPNS points) individual result at any WPNS sanctioned COC races (i.e. US Para Nordic Nationals), WC or WCH race during the 2021-22 season. Athletes must achieve a combined average of 150 WPNS points or less to be considered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 140.82 WC Canmore XC short distance 142.02 WC Canmore XC sprint distance 	140.82 pts 142.02 pts	D
Leo Sammarelli	4.3.a	Athletes achieving at least two (2) results in the 2021-22 season at WPNS sanctioned COC events (i.e. US Nationals) against a depth of field and a current and proven international WC podium or Top 5 performer, World Cups, World Championships or Paralympic Games, WPNS Biathlon (BT), of 180 WPNS points or less on the WPNS Cross-country (CC) and/or WPNS Biathlon (BT) ranking list (April 2022) will qualify for selection to the PNST NextGen (Prospects) Team	6.1.b	Athletes on the PNST NextGen Team ranked in accordance with their two best (lowest WPNS points) individual result at any WPNS sanctioned COC races (i.e., US Para Nordic Nationals), WC or WCH race during the 2021-22 season. Athletes must achieve a combined average of 150 WPNS points or less to be considered.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 139 pts WC Canmore XC short distance 145.53 WC Canmore XC middle distance 	139 pts 145.53 pts	D
Levi Nadlersmith	4.3.a	GUIDE	6.1.a	GUIDE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 140.82 WC Canmore XC short distance 142.02 XC sprint distance 	N/A	D
Athlete	Prospects Team Criteria	Team Criteria Description	AAP Criteria	AAP Criteria Description	Example/Evidence	WPNS Points	Card Type
Logan Cox	4.4.a	U23 Athletes will be ranked based on Nationals results based on an aggregate ranking list counting all individual events,	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highest Ranked U23 at CDN Nationals (average 76.50 CPL Points) 	N/A	N/A
Logan Lariviere	4.4.a	U23 Athletes will be ranked based on Nationals results based on an aggregate ranking list counting all individual events,	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2nd ranked U23 at CDN Nationals (average 73.28 CPL Points) 	N/A	N/A
Emma Archibald	4.4.a	U23 Athletes will be ranked based on Nationals results based on an aggregate ranking list counting all individual events,	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3rd ranked U23 at CDN Nationals (average 68.86 CPL Points) 	N/A	N/A
Lyne-Marie Bilodeau	4.4.b	The PNST Head Coach may recommend to the HPD-PARA other athletes for selection to this Team based on assessment of past performance and potential to be able to contribute to Canada's medal success at the 2022-2023 WPNS World Cups or World Championship events or the 2026 Paralympic Games.	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Qualifier and participant in 2022 Paralympic Games 161.69 WPNS pts Canmore WC XC Sprint. 	161.69 pts	N/A

Madison Mullin	4.4.b	The PNST Head Coach may recommend to the HPD-PARA other athletes for selection to this Team based on assessment of past performance and potential to be able to contribute to Canada's medal success at the 2022-2023 WPNS World Cups or World Championship events or the 2026 Paralympic Games.	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discretionary selection – targeted classification (VI women); potential observed at WC Time trials; Coach recommendation. 	N/A	N/A
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SUMMARY OF PARANORDIC NATIONAL SKI TEAM NOMINATIONS

World Cup Team Nominations

Brian McKeever - Fast Trax Run & Ski Club, AB
Natalie Wilkie - Larch Hills Nordic Society, BC
Mark Arendz - Rocky Mountain Racers, AB
Brittany Hudak - Rocky Mountain Racers, AB
Collin Cameron - Laurentian Nordic Ski Club, ON
Derek Zaplotinsky - Strathcona Wilderness Centre, AB
Graham Nishikawa (GUIDE) – Whitehorse Cross Country Ski Club, YK
Russell Kennedy (GUIDE) – Canmore Nordic Ski Club, AB

Development Team Nominations

Christina Picton - Laurentian Nordic Ski Club, ON
Ethan Hess - Nordic Racers, BC

NextGen Team Nominations

Leo Sammarelli – Nordic Racers, BC
Jesse Bachinsky – Kenora Nordic & Biathlon Club, MB
Levi Nadlersmith (GUIDE) – Golden Nordic Ski Club Society, BC

Prospects Team Nominations

Logan Cox – Kimberley Nordic Ski Club, BC
Logan Lariviere – Laurentian Nordic Ski Club, ON
Emma Archibald – Scotia XC Ski Club, NS
Lyne-Marie Bilodeau – ARSNM/Mauriski, QB
Madison Mullin – Mono Nordic Club, ON