



**2011 CANADA WINTER GAMES
SELECTION**



(January 5, 2010)

2011 Canada Winter Games NB Alpine

SELECTION CRITERIA

SECTION 1 – Selection criteria

Athletes must first meet the eligibility criteria stated in the 2011 Canada Winter Games Technical Package for alpine skiing to be selected. They must also submit (via their coach) the 2011 Canada Games contract. The athletes must then follow the following steps:

STEP 1 – Qualify for the December 2010 / January 2011 Derby

To be invited to the December 2010/January 2011 Derby, the 2009-2010 World Cup points for all **Atlantic** K2+ races included in the 2009-2010 Atlantic Calendar up to and including March 14, 2010 will be calculated. The top 10 male and top 10 female athletes will be invited to the December 2010/January 2011 Derby.

Note: World Cup calculations:

- Points calculated using all athletes, not only eligible athletes.
- The worst result per discipline will be dropped.
- The Super G run from a Super Combined can be used as a Super G race.

Exceptions:

****K1 athletes:** K1 athletes that are age eligible for the 2011 Canada Games will be automatically invited to the December 2010 / January 2011 Derby based on the recommendation of their club coach. This exception is made since the race format does not see K1 athletes competing with K2 and up athletes.

Please note that the invitation to K1's may not be extended pending approval from Alpine Canada. The following age definition is from the Technical Package and we are awaiting information from ACA to know how they define exceptional circumstances:

Alpine Canada strongly recommends that athletes are no younger than 15 years of age as of December 31, 2010 for the Canada Games competition. Alpine Canada will review exceptional circumstances of athletes under the age of 15, which must be approved by Alpine Canada. These minimum age exemption requests must be brought forward to the Canada Games Council or Alpine Canada on or before December 1, 2010 for consideration.

Academy/university athletes: Athletes attending an Academy or University are not required to attend a minimum of races on the Atlantic Calendar. They are automatically invited to the December 2010/January 2011 Derby.

STEP 2 - Selection at December 2010/January 2011 Crabbe Mountain, NB

A total of 20 athletes will be invited to the December Derby (or more if K1 athletes, academy/*university* athletes or ties occurred have qualified for this derby based on above).

These 20(+) athletes will be invited to a two-day Derby between December 20th, 2010 and January 2011 to determine the final team.

The Derby will consist of the following:

Day 1: 2 Slalom races and 2 GS races

Day 2: 2 Slalom races and 2 GS races

The top 5 male athletes and top 5 female athletes will be selected to the NB Alpine Canada Games Team based on World Cup points (one result per discipline will be dropped) awarded at the December 2010/January 2011 Derby.

The athletes will be ranked based on the world cup points earned in their best 3 Slalom and best 3 GS races. The top 5 males and top 5 females shall be selected to the team including up to two males and two females that are over the age of 16 and under the age of 19 on December 31st 2010. If there are three or more athletes in the top 5 who are older than 16 and younger than 19 (December 31st 2010), only the top 2 shall be selected as limited by the Technical Package. The remaining positions shall be filled by the next best ranked 16 and younger skier.

The final ranking of athletes shall be used to determine the replacement for a skier should injury or illness prevents them from competing at the Games. The next eligible skier from the list shall be invited if an opening arises.

Once the NB Alpine Canada Games team is named the athletes will be required to follow a program designed by the Canada Winter Games coach and approved by the NB Alpine board of directors.

SECTION 2 - Tie- Breakers

2009-2010 season:

In the event of a tie at the end of the 2009-2010 season the top 10 athletes (per gender) will be invited to the December 2010 Derby or 11 athletes if the 10th position is a tie.

Ex. Position: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7 (Tied), 8, 9, 10. Top 10 invited

Position: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11 (tied). Top 11 invited

December 2010 / January 2011 Derby:

In the event of a tie for the 5th position after the December 2010/January 2011 Derby (final team selection) the 5th position will be decided based on the winner of the last race held between those two athletes at the December 2010/January 2011 Derby.

SECTION 3 - Injuries

In the event an athlete is injured during the 2009-2010 season and cannot accumulate World Cup points during the season they will be invited to the December 2010/January 2011 Derby. Therefore 11 female athletes would be attending the December 2010/January 2011 Derby. A written medical note will be required for this exemption.

If a selected athlete is injured, sick or suffers a noticeable drop in performance level leading up to the Games, the NB Alpine Board of Directors has the right to ask that athlete to demonstrate their fitness and readiness to compete fully at the Games. If the athlete is unable to demonstrate that their performance level is at least that which they demonstrated at the December 2010/January 2011 Derby, the board may replace that athlete with the next alternate.

SECTION 4 – Wild Card

The Canada District (NB, NS, PEI, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, and the Territories) have the option to bring WILD CARD athletes to the Games for each gender for the 2011 Canada Winter Games only. As outlined in the Canada Winter Games Technical Package for Alpine Skiing, we can bring a maximum of 2 athletes aged 19 and under per gender. Based on the selection criteria for New Brunswick athletes, the Canada Games Ski Team will only use its wild cards if the athletes qualify and follow all steps outlined above. No positions will be saved for these athletes.

Example 1:

Pos. 1- 16 yr old
2- 17 yr old
3- 15 yr old
4- 19 yr old
5- 16 yr old Athletes #2 and #4 are 19 and under and can make the team. NB's 2 wild cards will be used.

Example 2:

Pos. 1- 16 yr old
2- 15 yr old
3- 14 yr old
4- 15 yr old
5- 16 yr old
6- 19 yr old
7- 18 yr old Athletes #6 and #7 do not qualify for the team. NB's 2 wild cards will NOT be used

The NB Alpine Board of Directors along with the Canada Winter Games staff and NB Alpine Technical Director will decide upon any other unforeseen circumstances.

2011 CANADA GAMES CONTRACT

I, _____, am applying to be considered for a position on the New Brunswick Alpine 2011 Canada Games Team.

I have read the 2011 Canada Games selection requirements and criteria and am prepared to commit to them.

By signing below you agree to the above terms and the Canada Games selection requirements and criteria and fully understand the requirements of being a member of the 2011 Canada Games Team.

Athlete signature: _____

Parent signature: _____

Coach signature: _____

Coach to submit to NB Alpine by March 1, 2010