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**2024 Nova Scotia U16 Eastern Championship Team Qualification Criteria**

**Please see below for all information with regards to athlete qualification for the 2024 Nova Scotia U16 Eastern Championships Team**

**Eligible Athletes:**

* Must hold an ACA competition card
* Must be an active member in good standing of Ski Nova Scotia and a Nova Scotia Ski Club
* Must have a Nova Scotia Ski Club as their club of reference with ACA.
* Must be actively racing in the current season.

**Quota**:

* The allotted athlete quota for U16 Easterns’ is 10 male and 10 female athletes.
* One alternate will be named per gender. Should any of the top 10 athletes of either gender not be able to attend, or chooses to relinquish their spot, it will be offered to the alternate selected. No other alternates will be selected or offered a spot.

**Races Counted Towards Qualification:**

* Crabbe - Feb 2nd -4th, 2024
  + Two SG
  + Two GS
* Wentworth - Feb 23-25th 2024
  + Two SG
  + One SL
  + One GS
* Ben Eion Feb Mar 2nd -3rd, 2024
  + Two SL

**Scoring System:**

* The scoring system will be World Cup 100 (See Appendix A for Scoring Table)
* Athletes must count (See Appendix B for Results Table):
  + Two 2-Run GS Results
  + Two 2-Run SL Results
  + One SG Result
  + One Other (SL/GS/SG) Result
* Athletes will ONLY be scored against NS U16 competitors.
  + For example, an NS athlete may finish 3rd in the U16 category but 1st and 2nd are from NB – The 3rd place athlete will score 100 points towards the NS U16 Eastern qualifications.
* Ties:
  + If two or more athletes are tied for the final quota spot based on the 6 requisite results the tie will be broken by going to their next best result. This can be continued down the list of results until the tie is broken. If the athletes are still tied after going through all results (highly unlikely) then the tie will be broken by cumulative race points from the 6 counted results. The athlete with the lower cumulative race points will be awarded the spot.

**Safety/Training Requirements:**

* Anyone wishing to qualify for and compete at this event **must have a minimum of 3 days SG training** in a proper SG environment (i.e., a speed camp or at a minimum a full-length SG course).
* Ultimate discretion on athletes starting in any discipline at the event always rests with the coaches in attendance.

**Injury/Illness Exceptions:**

* If an athlete is forced to miss some or all the qualifying races due to circumstances beyond their control, and as a result do not make the team, they may apply for a qualification exception.
* The application will be considered by the HPP Committee
* Criteria considered will include, but is not limited to:
  + Performance in races competed in during current season
  + Past season performance(s)
  + Training during current season (particularly amount and quality)
  + Severity of the injury/illness or validity of any other reason
* Ultimate decision is subject to the discretion of the HPPC
* Applications:
  + To be sent to the Technical Director at [MByrne@sportnovascotia.ca](mailto:MByrne@sportnovascotia.ca) by February 26th, 2024.
  + Application should include a short description of the injury/illness/other circumstance, the time of the injury/illness/other circumstance, list of races missed, a doctor’s note confirming the injury/illness, or a parents note confirming any other circumstance, a list of results from the current and past season and a brief note describing why the athlete believes they deserve an exception.

**HPP Committee Discretion:**

* HPP Committee and SNS will retain the right to exercise their discretion regarding team composition in extenuating circumstances.
* This power will be subject to a vote of the 5 members of the HPP Committee.

**Important Dates:**

* **All Injury Exception Applications must be made by February 26th, 2024.**
* **Team announcement will be made on Monday March 4th2024.**

**Event Dates/Location:**

* Location: Osler Bluff/ Georgian Peaks – Collingwood ON
* Dates: March 18 – 24, 2024
* Travel day (flying): March 17
* Training Days: March 18 and 19
* Competition days: March 20, 21, 22, 23, 24
* Travel Day (flying): March 25

**Travel/Accommodations/Expenses:**

* The team will travel together.
* The team will stay together with the coaches as chaperones.
* The team will do all meals together (if parents choose to attend the event, they can take their athlete(s) out to dinner one night if they so choose).
* Expenses will be evenly split amongst all athletes in attendance.

**Cost:**

* TBD

**Appendix A: World Cup 100 Scoring Table:**

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| **World Cup Points Table**   |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Place** | **Points** | **Place** | **Points** | **Place** | **Points** | | 1st | 100 | 11th | 24 | 21st | 10 | | 2nd | 80 | 12th | 22 | 22nd | 9 | | 3rd | 60 | 13th | 20 | 23rd | 8 | | 4th | 50 | 14th | 18 | 24th | 7 | | 5th | 45 | 15th | 16 | 25th | 6 | | 6th | 40 | 16th | 15 | 26th | 5 | | 7th | 36 | 17th | 14 | 27th | 4 | | 8th | 32 | 18th | 13 | 28th | 3 | | 9th | 29 | 19th | 12 | 29th | 2 | | 10th | 26 | 20th | 11 | 30th | 1 | |

**Appendix B: Qualification Table:**

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| **GS 1** | **GS 2** | **SL 1** | **SL 2** | **SG** | **Other** | **Total** |
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