

NOD Selection Criteria for Ontario Winter Games 2022

Preamble

The 2022 Ontario Winter Games (OWG) will take place March 3rd to March 5th bringing together 120 young cross-country ski athletes from across the province to compete at Renfrew County. Event participation is for U16, year 1 & 2 (YOB 2006 and 2007) and U14, year 2 (YOB 2008) athletes who meet NOD Selection Criteria as outlined in this document.

There will be a **minimum** of (20) NOD athlete selections, ten males and ten females. The number of athletes selected in each of the U14 and U16 male/female categories will be allocated based proportionately upon the number of athletes participating in the selection races in those categories.

FOR EXAMPLE

	Average # of MALE NOD racers in the category over 2 days	% of total NOD MALE skiers in both categories	# of spots per category
U16	12	60%	6
U14	8	40%	4
Total	20	100%	10

After each of the 4 districts in Ontario choose their 20 athletes, the 40 remaining spots will be divided amongst the 4 districts and shall be allocated based proportionately on Nordiq Canada license holders while maintaining gender equity.

EXAMPLE DISTRIBUTION

	# of license holders	% of total	# spots per District
NCD	45	32%	13
SOD	40	29%	11
LSSD	30	21%	9
NOD	25	18%	7
Total	140	100%	40

All athletes must be Nordiq Canada licensed with a registered Ontario club. **Nordiq Canada license must be obtained prior to December 31st, 2021.**

Qualification Races

There will be **two (2) individual selection races used for selection** as follows:

1. Saturday January 15, 2022: Ontario Cup #2: Walden XC: Classic: Distance 5km
2. Sunday January 16, 2022: Ontario Cup #2: Walden XC: Skate: Distance 5km

NOD Selection Process

For **ALL** YOB categories (U16, YOB 2006 & 2007, and U14, YOB 2008) a CPL score will be calculated for each male/female participant based on their finish time and the finish time of the top two female and top two male athletes in **2006, 2007, 2008 YOB** categories. Selection lists will be prepared as follows:

1. In order to be included on the selection list the skier must compete in and finish the 2 selection races at Ontario Cup #2 - Saturday Classic event **AND** Sunday skate event.
2. NOD selections will be based upon **the average of the two (2) CPL point races**.
3. A selection list will be prepared for the male athletes and a selection list will be prepared for the female athletes. These selection lists will show the score from each race and will be sorted by the total of the two races and ranked by the highest points to lowest points in each category - U14 and U16.
 - a. Males: 10 athletes will be selected based on the average of the 2 CPL scores. The number of NOD males chosen from each category (U16 or U14) will be based proportionately on the average number of NOD males competing in each category, over the 2 days.
 - b. Females: 10 athletes will be selected based on the average of the 2 CPL scores. The number of NOD females chosen from each category (U16 or U14) will be based proportionately on the average number of NOD females competing in each category, over the 2 days.
4. Additional qualifying athletes will be offered a position on the team in the order of the list up to the maximum number of skiers allocated to NOD for the OWG. Should an athlete decline a position, the position will be offered to the next ranked skier of the same gender.
5. Should NOD be allocated an uneven number of positions, the final position shall be offered to the next male or female skier on the list who has the higher points.
6. In the event of a race cancellation only the remaining race will be used for selection.
7. If both races are cancelled, applications must be submitted to the selection committee by Sunday, January 16, 2022 by 11:59pm. The application will be posted on the NOD website. The committee will be looking at numerous activities that athletes may have completed as well as coach's recommendation. Some examples are, but are not limited to:
 - i. Training hours
 - ii. Km skied last year and start of this year
 - iii. Race results from OCup #1, NOD races #1 and/or #2
 - iv. Applications submitted to NOD in June 2021 for 2020/21 NOD Athlete Bursary

CPL (Canada Points List) Calculation

The CPL calculation will be completed in accordance to Nordiq Canada's detailed explanation referred to in item 2 (e) <http://www.cccski.com/Events/Points.aspx>

Force Majeure

Please note that "Force Majeure" appeals for the NOD selection are subject to the process as outlined in the [2022 Ontario Winter Games Selection Criteria](#). All appeals should be sent by e-mail to Amy Wheeler Reich, NOD Selection Committee Chair a.wheelerreich@me.com by 5pm Monday, January 17, 2022



Team Selection Announcement

NOD athletes will be offered their nominations as soon as possible after the results of the last qualifying race are published. In the event that an athlete does not accept their nomination, the position will be offered to the next qualified athlete. Due to short timelines, athletes must accept their nominations within 48 hours of their coach receiving the email notice of nomination(s).