2016-2017 Provincials / Jeux du Quebec (JDQ) U14 Qualifications Criteria

March 1 – 4, 2017 / Mont Lac Vert, Alma, Quebec / Disciplines SL, GS, SG

OSZ Quota as per Jeux du Quebec: 14 Quebec* Athletes (7 males/7 females)** *must have a permanent address in Quebec as noted on School Report. **For Ontario residents placing in the Top 7 in each gender the SQA allocates some extra quota in order for these athletes to attend SQA Provincial Championships.

2017 Qualifying Races - 4 TOTAL

January 15th – Edelweiss – Panel Slalom January 21st – Vorlage – Slalom (JDQ Regional Qualifier) January 22nd – Calabogie – GS February 4th – Camp Fortune – Slalom 2 PSL Runs 2 Slalom Runs 2 GS Runs 2 Slalom Runs

<u>Criteria</u>

Athletes must be born between the years of **2003** and **2004**. Athletes must have participated* in the Regional Qualifying race on January 21st at Vorlage. **Participation is defined as being on the start list, breaking the wand, and recording a DSQ, DNF or a time.*

Selection of 85% of the delegation shall be based upon combined Provincials Selection Points as determined below. The remaining 15% of athletes on the delegation may be chosen at the discretion of the selection committee. The committee shall use its discretion to appoint deserving athletes based on series points, notwithstanding those, who for extenuating circumstances such as injury, have not met the selection criteria based upon race results.

Provincials Selection Points

The 500 point scale used by SQA shall be used to calculate Provincials Selection Points for a total of 2500 points. Skiers from the National Capital Division participating in the regional race series are not to be extracted from the race results prior to tabulation. Skiers from other regions participating in the regional race series are to be extracted from the race results prior to tabulation.

Should there be an uneven number of runs or races to consider at the selection date, the number of runs or races to be considered will be 50%+ 1; rounded up ...to the next whole number. For example, should there only be 3 Slalom runs, the best 2 runs shall be considered in the calculations (3 X 50% = 1.5, rounded up = 2). Net result is using 2 SL or 1 SL and 1 GS result.

Provincials Selection Points will be calculated as a sum of the following:

Runs*

Best 1 of 2 PSL Runs Best 2 of 4 Slalom Runs Best 1 of 2 GS Runs *(Actual points values may be calculated differently depending on race day conditions and race completion Eg. 2 run race becomes 1-run race).

<u>Races</u>

Best 2 of 4 Race Results from 1 PSL race, 2 Slalom races and 1 GS race.

Timing of Selection

The selection of qualifying athletes will be done at **Camp Fortune on February 4**th as soon as possible after the race and will include results from the 4 races. Parents will be notified as soon as possible after the meeting and will need to confirm athlete attendance by **Sunday February 5th** in order to have all administrative requirements completed to meet registration deadlines. Quebec athletes selected for the Outaouais delegation will be required to pay the \$100 participation fee, in cash or payable to Loisir Sport Outaouais and submitted at or prior to the delegation meeting on **Monday February 6**th **in Gatineau**. (More details to be provided).

Selection Committee

The committee chaired by the OSZ U14 coordinator and composed of one coach representative of each of the OSZ clubs will determine issues related to selection to the OSZ delegation. Each coach shall have one vote on the committee. The coordinator will only vote in the event of a tie.

Coaching

The selection committee will designate 3 coaches (1 lead coach) to attend les Jeux du Quebec and an appropriate number of coaches to support selected Ontario athletes.

At least one selected coach has CSCF Development Level "Certified" (level II) coaching certification.

All coaches assigned to the Jeux du Quebec delegation must be at_least 18 years of age.

The selection committee will ensure that at least one selected coach has the ability to speak **French** and at least one selected coach has ability to speak **English**.

The objective is to have at least one coach from **each gender** accompanying the delegation. If this is not possible, the selection committee may designate a parent in lieu of a coach to ensure proper gender representation.

The selection committee will designate a sufficient number of coaches to ensure a ratio of one coach to every six athletes, or as close to that ratio as the circumstances will warrant.

Individual clubs wishing to send coach delegates to Jeux du Quebec & / OR Provincial Championships may do so <u>at their</u> <u>cost.</u>

Costs, accommodations and transportation

All participating athletes, who are residents of Quebec, **must** travel with the Outaouais delegation to and from the Jeux du Quebec by bus and stay with the delegation. Details on costs, accommodations and other Jeux du Quebec details will be communicated to participants by the designated Coach(es) and the U14 Zone Coordinator in February.

Ontario athletes participating will be responsible for their transportation and accommodations to the Provincial Championships and will not be part of the Outaouais delegation for Jeux du Quebec.

Questions or comments can be forwarded to the Zone U14 Coordinator through individual Club Reps or Club U14 Coordinators