

U12 Qualifications Criteria

Date: March 22 – 24

Location: Mont Sutton

Disciplines: Skills (including Dual SL) / GS / SL

Outaouais Ski Zone Quota

- As per SQA allotment for the region: 21 (to be confirmed by SQA)
- There may be a possibility of additional quota being made available by SQA. Coordinator to confirm.

2019 Qualifying Races

- 6 TOTAL
 - January 20, 2019: PSL, ESCF
 - February 10, 2019: SL, VOR
 - February 17, 2019: SL, CAS
 - March 3, 2019: GS, CAL
 - March 16, 2019: SL, VOR
 - March 17, 2019: GS, MSM

Criteria

- Athletes must be born between the years of 2008 and 2007.
- Selection of 85% of the delegation shall be based upon combined Regroupement 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.

Gender Split

- Gender split of the OSZ delegation shall be in the same proportion as OSZ U12 gender registration, subject to a variation of up to two athletes. The variance is intended to ensure that the most qualified and deserving athletes have the opportunity to attend the event, and that there is homogeneity in terms of skill level. The selection committee shall decide whether or not there shall be a variation from strict proportionality based on gender.

Regroupement Selection Points

- The 500-point scale used by SQA shall be used to calculate Regroupement Selection 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 to consider at the selection date, the number of runs to be considered will be 50%, rounded up to the next whole number. For example, should there only be 3 Giant Slalom runs, the best 2 runs shall be considered in the calculations ($3 \times 50\% = 1.5$, rounded up = 2.)
- Regroupement Selection Points will be calculated as a sum of the following:
 - Best 4 of 8 SL or PSL Runs
 - Best 2 of 4 GS Runs
 - Actual points values may be calculated differently depending on race day conditions and race completion.

Timing of Selection

- The selection of qualifying athletes will take place at Mont Ste. Marie on March 17, 2019 as soon as possible after the race and will include results from the 6 races noted above. Selected athletes will be notified after the selection meeting. Parent cooperation will be required to complete all administrative requirements in order to meet registration deadlines.

Selection Committee

- The committee chaired by the OSZ U12 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 the coaches to accompany the delegation. As part of the selection, a Team Captain for the delegation will be assigned.
- The designated Team Captain will be tasked with bringing skiers of different OSZ Clubs and creating one cohesive OSZ team. This may be done through team training, team building event and /or team get together, prior to Regroupement. All athletes, regardless of Club, must be provided the same level of attention, coaching and guidance prior and during the Regroupement event.
- At least one selected coach will have CSCF Development Level "Certified" (Level 2) coaching certification, in good standing.

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- The selection committee will ensure that at least one selected coach has the ability to speak French and at least one selected coach has the 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 Regroupement may do so at their own cost. It is understood that the OSZ U12 Coordinator is **not** responsible for securing travel or accommodations for these coaches. Furthermore, it is understood that these coaches will be present in an observer role only and will in no way be involved in any decision related to Zone delegation training or race day activities. These, at all times, remain the responsibility of the OSZ designated U12 coach representatives.

Cost, Accommodations and Transportation

- Participating athletes are responsible for all travel and accommodation costs as well as any and all other costs associated with participating in the events including entry fees, coaches fees and swag fees.
- The OSZ may allocate a sum of money to help cover shared expenses.
- Athletes will be responsible for making their own arrangements for transportation to and from the races.
- Athletes selected for the Outaouais delegation will be required to make an advanced payment of the expected shared expenses as a condition to participating at the Regroupement. Athletes will be refunded or invoiced for any difference between estimated and actual expenses.

Questions or comments can be forwarded to the Zone U12 Coordinator through individual Club Reps or Club U12 Coordinators.