

2019-2020 Provincials U14 OSZ Qualifications Criteria

Date: March 12-15, 2020
Location: Mont Garceau, Saint Donat
Disciplines: SL, GS & SG

OSZ Quota as per SQA allotment for the region: 21

SQA may allocate additional quota depending on final registration in the Provincials. Coordinator to confirm.

2020 QUALIFYING RACES (6 TOTAL)

➤ January 11	PSL @ Mont Cascades	2 PSL runs
➤ January 26	GS @ ESCF	2 GS runs
➤ February 8	SL @ Vorlage	2 SL runs
➤ February 23	SG X 2 @ Calabogie	2 SG runs
➤ February 29	GS @ Edelweiss	2 GS runs

Criteria

- Athletes must be born between the years of 2006 and 2007.
- 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.

Female/Male Split

- Female/male split of the OSZ delegation shall be in the same proportion as OSZ U14 registration, subject to a variance 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.

Provincials Selection Points

- The 500-point scale used by SQA shall be used to calculate Provincials 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 $50\% + 1$; 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 ($3 \times 50\% = 1.5$ rounded up = 2).
- Provincials Selection Points will be calculated as a sum of the following:
 - Best 2 of 4 SL or PSL Runs
 - Best 2 of 4 GS Runs
 - Best 1 of 2 SG Runs
 - 3 best race results, with a maximum of 1 SG race result, shall be counted. A PSL, SL or GS “Race” is defined as 2 consecutive runs on the same race day. Should one of these races be changed to 1-run race, the result of that race will not count in the calculation of the best race results. SG races are single run events.

*Actual points values may be calculated differently depending on race day conditions and race completion (for example, 2-run race becomes 1-run race).

Timing of Selection

The selection of qualifying athletes will take place at Edelweiss on February 29, 2020 as soon as possible after the race and will include results from the 5 races noted above. Parents of selected athletes will be notified immediately after the selection meeting and will need to confirm athlete attendance by Monday, March 2. Parent cooperation will be required to complete all administrative requirements to meet registration deadlines.

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 U14 Coordinator will only vote in the event of a tie.

Coaching

- The selection committee will designate 4 coaches to accompany the delegation. As part of the selection, a Team Captain, i.e., lead coach, for the delegation will be designated.
- The Team Captain will be tasked with bringing skiers of different OSZ Clubs together and creating one cohesive OSZ team. This may be done through team training, team building

event and/or team get together prior to Provincials. 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.
- 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 sex accompanying the delegation. If this is not possible, the selection committee may designate a parent in lieu of a coach to ensure proper 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 Provincials may do so at their own cost. It is understood that the OSZ U14 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 decisions related to OSZ delegation training or race day activities. These, at all times, remain the responsibility of the OSZ designated U14 coach representatives.

Cost, Accommodations and Transportation

- All participating athletes must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.
- Travel to/from provincials and all travel and accommodation costs as well as any and all other costs associated with participating in the events including entry fees, coaches’ fees as well as all other costs associated with participating in the events are the responsibility of each family.
- The OSZ may allocate a sum of money to help cover shared expenses.
- Athletes selected for the OSZ delegation will be required to make an advanced payment of the expected shared expenses as a condition to participating at the Provincials. Athletes will be refunded or invoiced for any difference between estimated and actual expenses.
- Efforts will be made to book a block of rooms at a hotel for the delegation to stay together organize and to organize group dinners. Details will be provided after athlete and coaching selections have been made.
- Details on races costs and the races notice will be communicated to participants by the designated Coaches and the U14 Coordinator in early March.

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