

# 2019-2020 Provincials U16 OSZ Qualifications Criteria

**Date:** February 22 to 27, 2020

**Location:** Mont-Sainte-Anne

**Disciplines:** SL, GS & SG

**OSZ Quota as per SQA allotment for the region:** 18

There may be a possibility of additional quota being made available by SQA. Coordinator to confirm.

## **2020 QUALIFYING RACES (6 total):**

- January 18, SL @ Mont-Ste-Marie
- January 25, GS @ ESCF
- February 8, ATM – SG (2x) @ Mont Ste Marie
- February 9, ATM – SG (2X) @ Mont Ste Marie

## **Criteria:**

- Athletes must be born between the years of 2004 and 2005.
- 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 the OSZ U 16 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.

## Provincial 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.

Due to the limited amount of qualifying runs in 2020, points for the best run held in each technical discipline and each athlete's best speed run, in regional races shall be used for Provincial Selection Points:

- Best 1 of 2 SL Runs
- Best 1 of 2 GS Runs
- Best 1 of 4 SG Runs

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

In 2020, 6 races shall be considered for the calculation of Provincials Selection Points: 1 SL, 1 GS and 4 SG. The best 2 race results, with a maximum of 1 SG race result, shall be counted.

NOTE: "Race" in these criteria is defined as a race made up of 2 runs, except for SG which is considered as a one run race. Should one of the above noted races be changed to a one-run race, the result of that race will not count in the calculation of the best race results.

## Timing of Selection:

The selection of qualifying athletes will take place at Mont-Ste-Marie on February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 as soon as possible after the race and will include results from the 6 previous races. Selected athletes will be notified immediately after the selection meeting. Parent cooperation will be required to complete all administrative requirements in order to meet registration deadlines.

## Selection Committee:

The committee will be chaired by the OSZ U16 Coordinator and composed of one coach representative of each of the OSZ club and the NCO Team U16 Head Coach. The committee 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 to accompany the delegation. The NCO Team U16 coach will be the team captain for the U16 delegation.

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 Provincials. All athletes, regardless of Club, must be provided the same level of attention, coaching and guidance prior to and during the Provincial event.

At least one selected coach will have CSCF Development Level “Certified” (level II) 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 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 (1) coach to every (6) six athletes, or as close to that ratio as the circumstances will warrant.

Individual clubs wishing to send coach delegates to Provincial Championships may do so at their cost. It is understood that the OSZ U16 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 Zone delegation training or race day activities. These, at all times, remain the responsibility of the OSZ designated U16 coach representatives.

## **Seeding:**

Seeding for the start lists will be the responsibility of the coaching team selected to accompany the provincial team.

## **Costs, Accommodations and Transportation:**

Participating athletes are responsible for all registration, travel and accommodations costs as well as any and all other costs associated with participating in the events. The OSZ Board may allocate a sum of money to help cover shared expenses.

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 Provincials. Athletes will be refunded or invoiced for any difference between estimated and actual expenses. For Provincial events outside the Outaouais region, the athletes and



coaches will reside together as a delegation, with the **U16 Coordinator** securing a block of rooms sufficient to accommodate the number of athletes and coaches representing the OSZ delegation.

Each skier and coach will have his or her own bed. Rooming for athletes follows the one bed per person policy in order to provide our athletes with a proper rest environment, and enable them to perform and represent our region and their home clubs to the best of their abilities.

Athletes are responsible to make their own arrangements for transportation to and from the races.

Questions or comments can be forwarded to the Zone U16 Coordinator through individual Club Reps or Club U16 Coordinators