



U.S. Paralympics Alpine Skiing 2018-19 National Team Selection Criteria

Team nominations will occur on April 15th, 2018. Funding is not guaranteed at any level and is dependent on the 2018-19 Athlete Support Agreement.

Minimum Requirements to be nominated to the National Teams

- Be internationally classified by IPC Alpine Skiing
- Have a National (USSA) and International (IPC) License
- Be in the USADA Out of Competition (OOC) testing pool.
- Be in good standing with the USOC, IPC, USADA, WADA and USSA

An athlete's national team status may be changed based on factors including:

- ✓ Physical and mental preparedness as evaluated by the High-Performance Director, coaching staff and USOC approved medical and sports psychology staff.
- ✓ Commitment to training and preparation (personal and team funded) for the 2022 Paralympic Winter Games.
- ✓ Commitment to participation in National Team camps, competitions, and all other designated National Team activities.
- ✓ Athletes must demonstrate a capability to adhere to the USOC Core Values and Code of Conduct in order to be eligible for nomination.
- ✓ Current Athlete Agreement must be signed.

A TEAM

Athletes must be World Para Alpine Skiing (WPAS) World Cup eligible and be:

Men

- 2018 Paralympic Winter Games Medalist OR
- Top 10 WPAS World Ranking and 50 or less WPAS points in one discipline (*of current active competitors that are World Cup eligible*)

Women

- 2018 Paralympic Winter Games Medalist OR
- Top 6 WPAS World Ranking and 60 or less WPAS points in one discipline (*of current active competitors that are World Cup eligible*)

B TEAM

Athletes must:

Men and Women: Be qualified in a minimum of two disciplines (GS and SL or SG and DH) to the World Cup based on published WPAS standards (*of current active competitors that are World Cup eligible*) and must be ranked in the top 5 athletes representing the U.S.A in their sport class. B Team athletes that fail to advance to the A Team after 2 seasons may be removed from the team.

The following criteria also shall apply for B Team athletes:

- VI Women: ranked top 8 in a discipline with under 100 WPAS points
- VI Men: ranked top 10 in a discipline with under 80 WPAS points
- Standing and Sitting Women: Ranked top 10 in a discipline with under 100 WPAS points
- Standing and Sitting Men: Ranked top 15 in a discipline with under 80 WPAS points

C TEAM

Athletes must:

Men and Women: Be qualified in a minimum of two disciplines to the WPAS World Cup based on published WPAS standards and must be ranked in the top 5 athletes in their sport class representing the U.S.A. Only athletes that have not previously qualified for the A and B Team are eligible for the C Team.



ADDITIONAL NOTES:

- *Any current National Team athlete returning to active competition status from Injury Status/Study Break/Professional Obligation that previously met the National A Team standard will be given B Team Status. A Team status may be returned when the athlete demonstrates that they are skiing at that level. Any points attained over 15 months prior will not be accepted as qualifying events.*
- *Athletes with disciplines marked NPR status will not be considered as valid rankings on the WPAS points list for team selection.*
- *Coach's discretion may be used to qualify for the team mid-season if an athlete is performing at A Team standards only. B Team and C Team athletes must meet the A Team standard during the season for promotion.*