



US Ski & Snowboard
2024 U.S. Men's Ski Jumping Ski Flying World Championship
Team Selection Criteria

Eligibility for Consideration:

U.S. Ski & Snowboard will consider for selection only those U.S. Ski & Snowboard members in good standing who have a valid U.S. passport, a valid FIS license and who meet FIS minimum eligibility standards.

U.S. Ski & Snowboard provides an equal opportunity to amateur athletes, coaches, trainers, managers, administrators, and officials to participate in amateur athletic competition, without discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, age, sex, or national origin, and with fair notice and opportunity for a hearing before declaring any such individual ineligible to participate.

Criteria Guidelines:

- U.S. Ski & Snowboard policy mandates that team selection criteria shall be principally objective (or performance-based), but it may select additional athletes to the Team using coaches' discretion.
- Up to 5 (five) athletes may be selected to represent the United States in Men's Ski Jumping at the 2024 World Ski Flying Championships.
- Up to four athletes may start for the United States in each of the events unless otherwise specified by the International Ski Federation (FIS). Assignment of start rights will be at the discretion of the USA Nordic Sport Ski Jumping Head Coach.
- No minimum team size shall be established.
- The U.S. Ski Jumping Sport Director is responsible for applying the selection criteria set forth herein, subject to the approval of the Chief of Sport of U.S. Ski & Snowboard.
- Objective selections shall be based on results in World Cup & Continental Cup (COC) competitions held between November 1, 2023, and January 07, 2024 (the "selection period").
- Discretionary selections, if any, may be based on a variety of factors, including competitions conducted outside of the selection period.
- U.S. Ski Jumping World Ski Flying Championships Team status does not guarantee funding for training nor competition

Objective Criteria:

Athletes may be selected to the team based solely upon their competition results during the selection period. Up to six athletes may be selected to the team based solely upon their World Cup & COC competition results during the selection period.

- Athletes ranked in the top 50 of the FIS World Cup Ranking List on Jan 7 2024, shall be selected to the team
- Athletes achieving one (1) individual World Cup Top 15 and/or individual COC Top 3
- Athletes achieving three (3) Individual World Cup Top 30 results
- *Best ranking on the most current FIS World Cup Ranking List*
- *Best single individual performance on World Cup during the selection period*
- *Best ranking on the most current FIS Continental Cup Ranking List*
- *Best single performance on the Continental Cup during the selection period*



Athletes meeting the objective criteria shall be selected to the team, unless application of these criteria would result in a total of more than five objective selections, in which case U.S. Ski & Snowboard shall use the following tie-breaking mechanisms listed above in *italic*.

Discretionary Selection Policy:

U.S Ski & Snowboard may select additional athletes to the Team using coaches' discretion, using factors other than the above criteria such as:

- Athletes' rank in the FIS World Cup Ranking List on Jan 7th 2024
- Athletes' rank in the FIS Continental Cup Ranking List on Jan 7th 2024
- Outstanding competition results from the 2022-2023 or 2023-2024 seasons
- Recent positive direction or trend of competition results indicating a potential for World Championship success
- Indication of medal potential in future Olympic or World Championship competition (such as international age group results and rankings) that would be materially enhanced by selection to the team.

All discretionary selections will be documented, and appropriate forms will be available for record keeping purposes. All discretionary selections will be reviewed by a discretionary selection review group composed of the U.S. Ski & Snowboard Sport Director, U.S. Ski & Snowboard Chief of Sport, and the athlete representative from that sport who is a member of the U.S. Ski & Snowboard Board. If the U.S. Ski & Snowboard Board Athlete Representative is also a currently competing athlete, then another athlete, who is not actively competing, will be selected by the Athletes' Council to be the representative in this group.

Athletes may also petition directly to the Selection Committee to be considered for discretionary selection by submitting, in writing, a petition including any rationale to the U.S. Ski & Snowboard Sport Director, before 8:00 AM Mountain time on January 8th, 2024.

Injury Clause:

An athlete shall be ineligible for consideration if he/she is not fit to compete at the time selections are made due to any injury or illness from which he/she is not expected to recover adequately by the time of the competitions he/she has been selected for. Such determination shall be at the discretion of the USA Nordic Sport Team Director, Sport Director, Head Team Physician, in consultation with U.S. Ski & Snowboard Medical Director, and the athlete's designated physician.

Athlete Replacement Procedure:

In the case that an athlete that has been selected to the team becomes injured or ill prior to the World Championships and is unable to compete, no replacement athlete will be named unless it is deemed that there is sufficient time to make a replacement without disrupting the competition or preparation of other athletes and that the additional athlete would have sufficient time to properly prepare for the competition. This decision will be made by the USA Nordic CEO, the Ski Jumping Team Director, and Head Team Physician. Should an additional athlete be considered, the same criteria as outlined above shall be followed to select that athlete. No athletes will be named to the team following the conclusion of mandatory training or within two days of the start of the World Championships.