



## Canada Winter Games 2027 – Saskatchewan Alpine Ski Team

### Athlete/Parent Summary

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#### What is this?

This document explains how Saskatchewan Alpine will identify, train, and select athletes for the 2027 Canada Winter Games (CWG) in Québec City, Québec.

CWG is a high pressure national competition. The goal is to select athletes who can perform consistently and represent Saskatchewan competitively.

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#### Who is eligible?

Athletes must meet the eligibility rules in the official 2027 CWG Alpine Skiing Technical Package (once released).

Projected age categories (subject to confirmation):

- Able-bodied: U16 (born 2011–2012)
- Up to two U18 athletes per gender (born 2009–2010) may be selected if they strengthen team competitiveness
- ParaAlpine: ages 12–30 (born 1997–2015 inclusive)

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#### Application Deadline

To be considered, athletes must submit:

- Athlete application form
- Letter of recommendation from their Club Head Coach

Deadline: March 1, 2026

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#### Mandatory Camps & Events

Athletes must attend all mandatory camps/events unless a written exemption is requested and approved in advance.

2025/2026 Season

- CWG Talent ID Camp (March 2026 – Timber Ridge, SK)
- CWG ID Camp + Spring Fitness Test (April 2026 – location TBD, invitation based)

Summer 2026

- Athletes are expected to maintain dryland fitness training



## 2026/2027 Season

- PreSeason Camp + Fall Fitness Test (November 2026 – invitation based)
- January 2027 Selection Races (Alberta Provincials or approved alternate)

## After Team Selection

- Speed Training Camp (late January 2027 – Kimberley, BC)
  - (Not applicable to ParaAlpine athletes)

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### How are athletes selected?

Selections are based on a weighted evaluation:

- 60% Skiing Skill & Race Performance
- 20% Fitness
- 20% Coachability / Professionalism

Coach discretion may only be used as a limited tiebreaker or where approved extenuating circumstances exist.

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### Injury / Illness Appeals

If an athlete cannot attend a mandatory event due to injury/illness, an appeal may be submitted.

Appeals must:

- Be submitted at least 7 days before the event
- Include physician documentation
- Include evidence showing the athlete would likely qualify

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### Final Notes

- Saskatchewan Alpine may request proof of readiness if an athlete's performance drops significantly before the Games.
- Saskatchewan Alpine is not required to fill all quota spots if minimum standards are not met.

For full details, refer to the complete CWG 2027 Selection & Training Criteria document.