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Canada West Ski Areas Association All Areas Competitor Pass Distribution Policy Approved by Board of Directors as of October 1, 2011

1. Introduction

BC Snowboard Association ("BCSA") receives an annual allocation of All Areas Competitor Passes from Canada West Ski Areas Association (CWSAA) for distribution to BCSA athletes who are developing their competitive snowboarding skills.

CWSAA is the representative body for the ski areas and heli and snowcat operations of British Columbia and Yukon, Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba. (www.cwsaa.org).

CWSAA believes that deserving young ski and snowboard athletes should be given all the support possible to reach their goal to one day represent Canada in Olympic Games, World Championships or World Cups. For this reason CWSAA created the All Areas Competitors Pass to facilitate for those athletes their access to Western Canada's Ski and Snowboard Resorts for the purpose of training and competition. All athletes must understand that the use of the competitors pass is a privilege that carries with it the responsibility to represent their respective Sports Discipline in a sportsman like fashion, showing leadership to their fellow athletes.

Only BCSA is empowered to distribute CWSAA All Areas Passes to BCSA athletes and coaches within BC.

2. Eligibility

To qualify for a CWSAA the athlete must meet the following minimum requirements:

- 1) hold an Advanced membership in BCSA for current and previous year;
and
- 2) hold a FIS license (Canadian) for current year;
and
- 3) be resident in BC for previous and current year;
and
- 4) complete a letter of agreement with BCSA related to the CWSAA pass;
and

- 5) be 19 years old or younger as of December 31st of the competition season in question;
or
be a selected senior athlete, 20-21 years old as of December 31st of the competition season in question (if approved by CWSAA);
and
- 6) be a current member of a snowboard club or team sanctioned by BCSA;
or
be a current member of the BC Snowboard Provincial Team;
or
be a current member of the BC Snowboard Provincial Development Team.

3. Distribution of Athletes Passes by BCSA

CWSAA passes will be distributed to eligible BCSA athletes based on the following order of priority:

- 1) to the athletes with the highest FIS points in each discipline (HalfPipe, SnowboardCross, Alpine and Slopestyle), using the last FIS list for the previous season (must have competed in at least 1 FIS event in previous season);
then
- 2) to BC Snowboard Provincial Team members not qualified by FIS points in (1) above, using his/her Ranking Score (see BC Provincial Snowboard Team Internal Ranking Policy);
then
- 3) to BC Snowboard Provincial Development Team members not qualified by FIS points in (1) above, using his/her Ranking Score (see BC Provincial Development Snowboard Team Internal Ranking Policy);

until the total allotted CWSAA passes are distributed.

4. Tie Breaking

In the event of a tie of FIS points or ranking, that tie will be broken by the best individual score used to arrive at the total points creating the tie.

5. Distribution of Coach Passes by BCSA

Coach passes are generally issued to approved Provincial or Regional coaches and support staff of BCSA. These passes are part of the overall provincial quota and will be kept to a minimum.

6. General

Circumstances not otherwise covered by this Distribution Policy shall be brought before the Executive Committee of BCSA by the Executive Director for approval.