

2012 ARCTIC WINTER GAMES SELECTION CRITERIA

Officiated by Snowboard Yukon

1.0 - Eligibility

- Athletes must be Canadian Citizens or landed immigrants.
- Athletes must be born in 1993 or later and be 9 years of age or older.
- Athletes must have resided in the Yukon for at least 6 consecutive months prior to the opening day of the Games. For the 2012 AWG, the effective date is September 5, 2011.

Note:

- Students attending school outside the territory must comply with all eligibility requirements and their principal residence must be in the Yukon. Full time attendance at school outside the territory does not constitute a Yukon school programming commitment, which would exempt you from the AWG Trials.
- Athletes cannot qualify for an AWG team if they have been a member of a national team, or have been selected as a representative for international competition, in that same sport, within one year of the opening date of the Games.
- If an AWG participant violates any of the policies or guidelines set forth by Snowboard Yukon or Sport Yukon, they are considered to be no longer a member in good standing and can be subject to removal from the AWG process.

2.0 - Membership

SNOWBOARD YUKON ADVANCED COMPETITOR LICENSE

Athletes must have a **Snowboard Yukon Advanced Competitor License**. The license must be purchased online at the Canada~Snowboard website:

<http://www.canadasnowboard.ca/en/ms/membership/>

Athletes and coaching staff (coaches, chaperones and managers) must be members in good standing with the Snowboard Yukon (SY) at the time of application for selection, and until the completion of the Games. A member in good standing with the Snowboard Yukon requires individuals to be registered and paid for the season in which AWG falls, not have any disciplinary sanctions against them or other justified reason why membership may be denied or withdrawn.

The fee is \$25.

3.0 - AWG Team Selection

ARCTIC WINTER GAMES PROCESS

The AWG snowboard team will be made up of a maximum of eight (8) team members consisting of the following breakdown:

- 2 Junior Males: Born in 1993 or later
- 2 Junior Females: Born in 1993 or later
- 2 Juvenile Males: Born in 1995 or later
- 2 Juvenile Females: Born in 1995 or later

One alternate may also be selected in each category. Alternates will be allowed to participate at AWG in the event of one of members of the team not being able to attend AWG for whatever reason.

STEP 1 – AWG SNOWBOARD TRIALS

Athletes must participate in **BOTH DAYS** of the AWG Snowboarding Trials **January 21 & 22, 2012** at Mount Sima in Whitehorse.

The fee for the Trials is \$10 and does not include lift tickets.

Up to four (4) athletes from each of the AWG categories will be invited to the Selection Camp, based on results and/or any kind of outstanding performance presented at the Trials.

Exceptions to this rule will only be permitted upon review and approval by a sub-committee of the Sport Yukon Games Committee. The application form and supporting documentation required for approval can be found in Appendix A of this document. Exemptions may be granted for the following reasons: injury; illness; Yukon school program commitments; and special family circumstances. In order for the application for exemption to be considered, it must be submitted to Sport Yukon 48 hours prior to the start of the specific sport trial. Where there are special situations making attendance impossible, which could not have been anticipated, these will be considered individually by the subcommittee.

STEP 2 – AWG SELECTION CAMP

Athletes selected at the AWG Snowboarding Trials must attend the AWG Selection Camp **January 28 & 29, 2012** at Mount Sima in Whitehorse.

The Selection Camp fee is \$60 and does not include lift tickets.

The AWG Selection Camp will be conducted by coaches trained through the Canadian Snowboard Coaching Program.

A Selection Committee will be appointed by the Snowboard Yukon Board of Directors. The AWG Coaches will be non-voting members of the Selection Committee.

Guidelines as set out in the Canada~Snowboard Long Term Athlete Development manual (<http://www.canadasnowboard.ca/en/dev/ltad/>); Canada~Snowboard Officials and Judges manual will be applied and an Evaluation Form shall be completed for each camp participant.

The Selection Committee is required to retain copies of the athlete Evaluation Forms for ten (10) days following the tryouts. An athlete may request to see their Evaluation Form within the ten (10) day timeline. For a more detailed description of athlete selection criteria, please refer to Appendix B. As much as possible, the Selection Committee will discuss the results with each individual athlete during and at the end of the Selection Camp.

The athletes qualifying to attend AWG will be announced the week following the Selection Camp.

If the alternates have not kept up their physical fitness or are unavailable or uninterested, the assigned coach may approach other athletes who were in attendance at the AWG Selection or Trials to join the team.

4.0 Training Commitments

Selected AWG Team Members will be expected to participate in all scheduled dryland cross training and on-snow training sessions from the date of their nomination to the team until the end of the Games. The Team also expects to travel out-of-Territory for an away competition prior to the Games. Team members may make alternate training plans in conjunction with the coaches.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Strength and Conditioning

Sessions will be held once a week in Whitehorse. They are led by a strength and conditioning trainer and supervised by Snowboard Yukon coaches.

Cost: \$60

Yoga

Sessions will be held once a week in Whitehorse. They are led by a yoga instructor and supervised by Snowboard Yukon coaches.

Cost: TBD

On-Snow Training

On-snow training will begin at the Selection Camp and continue until the Games. AWG Team members will be joining the E-Team and can expect specialized coaching.

Cost: E-Team \$300 (runs January to March)

Out-of-Territory Competition and Training Camp

An out-of-territory competition and training camp is being planned for mid-February. It will likely be at COP in Calgary. Athletes can expect to miss about 2 days of school.

Costs: about \$1,200 (flight, accommodation, ground transport, lift tickets, competition entry fees, coaching fees)

4.0 Athlete Behaviour

All team members must show proper respect for Coaching staff, other team members and the community at all times. Team members are expected to follow the training plan set out by the Coaches. Any team member not willing to cooperate and follow the Sport Yukon Code of Ethics and Proper Conduct, or follow the training plan set out by the Coaches may be asked to leave the program at any time.

5.0 Appeals

Check snowboardyukon.com for more info.

WHO TO CONTACT?

Contact information for the individuals affiliated with Snowboard Yukon can be found on the Snowboard Yukon website at www.snowboardyukon.com. For questions regarding the AWG process please contact the Snowboard Yukon Head Coach.

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Appendix A

2012 AWG Trails/Selection Camp Exemption Form

SPORT: _____

DATE: _____

ATHLETE NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: (h) _____ (w) _____

EMAIL: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

PARENT / GUARDIAN NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: (h) _____ (w) _____

EMAIL: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

LIST REASON FOR EXEMPTION:

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION required with application form:

- Letter of support from the Sport Governing Body listing the reason
- Letter of support from your school if the reason is a Yukon school programming commitment
- Physician's note if reason is due to injury or illness

*Each application and additional documentation must be submitted to Sport Yukon **48 hours** prior to the start of the specific sport trial, or the exemption will not be considered!*

Appendix B

2012 AWG Rider Evaluation Form

RIDER:						
EVALUATION CRITERIA	Poor (low) 1	2	3	4	Excellent 5 (high)	CATEGORY AVERAGE
Snowboard Skills						
Balance/Coordination						
Air Awareness						
Edging						
Speed Control						
Athletic Ability						
Agility						
Strength						
Stamina						
Flexibility						
Attitude						
Behaviour						
Determination						
Coachability						
Goal Oriented						
Trials Ranking						
Freestyle						
Speed						
EVALUATION TOTAL (out of 20)						
Comments						