

2014/15 Para-snowboard squad and 2015 World Championships team selection criteria



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The criteria outlined below outlined the minimum performance minimum performance criteria to be considered for selection to APC snowboard squads and teams – the performance criteria will be considered by the selection panel in addition to the winter sport general selection criteria and eligibility requirements.

Meeting these criteria does not guarantee an athlete will get selected by the APC. In addition athletes that do not meet the minimum criteria may be selected to squads or teams according to APC discretion.

2014/15 squad criteria

Squad selection will be considered by the selection panel and announced by October 17, 2014.

Squad	Squad selection criteria	Australia's Winning Edge Athlete Categories
International Podium <i>Athletes who are considered capable of a medal at the next Benchmark event</i>	<i>Athletes who have medalled at the 2014 Paralympic Games OR who have medalled at 2 World Cups during the 2013/14 season AND within the top 1/3rd of the started field.</i>	1. Podium
International Podium Potential <i>Athletes who are considered capable of progressing to the International Podium squad</i>	<i>Athletes who were placed 4th to 8th at the 2014 Paralympic Games AND within 5% time difference of the bronze medal; OR Athletes with 2 results ranked 4th to 8th at World Cups during the 2014/15 season AND within 5% time difference of the bronze medal</i>	2A. Podium Potential A
International Performance Talent <i>Athletes who are considered capable of progressing to the International Podium squad within 3 - 4 years</i>	<i>Year 1 - 2 years or less IPCAS snowboard racing experience and 2 results within 25% time difference of the 3rd ranked athlete at World Cup snowboard races;</i> <i>Year 2 - 2 results within 15% time difference of the 3rd ranked athlete at World Cup races;</i> <i>Year 3 - 2 results within 10% time difference of the 3rd ranked athlete at World Cup races;</i>	2B. Podium Potential B
National Performance Talent <i>Athletes who are considered capable of progressing to the International Performance Talent squad within 2-3 years</i>	<i>Year 1 and 2 - Athletes are selected based on talent potential indicators (foundation and technical snowboarding skills, tactical, psychological and physical skills) at the discretion of program coaches and performance services providers. Athletes with proven high performance success in other sports will be given extra consideration.</i> <i>Year 2 athletes have 1 year or less IPCAS snowboard racing experience.</i>	4A. Developing

Squad member entitlements	International Podium	International Podium Potential	International Performance Talent	National Performance Talent
Related expenses for activities as determined by the APC	Y	Y	Y	Y
APC coordinated and/or delivered coaching and performance management	Y	Y	Y	Y
Access to national program and daily training environment performance services as required and directed by the APC	Priority	Y	Y	Y
Provision of national squad/team uniform as determined by the APC	Y	Y	Limited	Limited
Additional services and equipment support as determined by the APC	Y	Y	N	N
Weeks of supported on snow training	15	12	10	Y1 - 2; 4 Y3: 8
Program contribution	N	Y	Y	Y

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2015 IPCAS World Championships

The 2015 IPCAS World Championships will be held in La Molina, Spain from 23- 28 February, 2015.

Final team selection will be confirmed on 13 February, 2015 however athletes who meet the selection criteria prior to this date may have their selection endorsed by the selection panel earlier.

Selected team members must meet the IPC qualification criteria.

In addition to meeting the IPC qualification criteria athletes must also achieve the following;

Discipline	Womens LL-1/LL-2/UL and Mens LL-1/UL	Mens LL-2
SBX	One top 5 result in WC AND within the best 50% of the starting field by place, OR 2 top 8 results in WC AND within the best 2/3 of the starting field by place	1 top 8 result in WC AND within the best 50% of the starting field by place OR 2 top 15 results in WC AND within the best 2/3 of the starting field by place
Banked slalom	1 top 5 result in WC AND within the best 50% of the starting field by place OR 2 top 8 results in WC AND within the best 2/3 of the starting field by place	1 top 8 result in WC AND within the best 50% of the starting field OR 2 top 15 results in WC by place AND within the best 2/3 of the starting field by place

- Qualification period: start of season 2014/15 - 13 February 2015
- Results have to be realised during the qualification period and within each discipline at least one result has to be realised during the 2014/15 season
- Athletes, who have met with both IPC and APC qualification criteria in at least one discipline, will be allowed to start in the additional discipline with approval of the APC on the basis of coach recommendation
- If there are 3 or less race opportunities in a discipline during the 2014/15 season in World Cup competitions, results from the 2013/14 season and results from non World Cup competitions during the 2014/15 season will be taken into consideration

Team selection for non-squad members

- Athletes not named in 2014/15 snowboard squads who wish to be considered for selection for the World Championship team, must indicate their intent to nominate by Friday 14 November 2014.

Intention to nominate must be conveyed in writing to Michele Menso APC Performance Coordinator by email; michele.menso@paralympic.org.au

- Non-squad members who indicate an intention to nominate will have their selection considered on the basis of the 2015 World Championship criteria in addition to the winter sport general selection criteria and eligibility requirements
- Non-squad members selected to the World Championships team will have access to having access to team coaching, technical and performance services and will be issued team uniform and will be provided with travel and on ground assistance

** The 2015/16 squad selection criteria will be confirmed on 1 April, 2015.