

EVENT NOTICE

AIR NATION FREESTYLE NATIONALS

February 1-6, 2022

WINSPORT, Calgary, Alberta



THE EVENT

Canada Snowboard and Alberta Snowboard are proud to host the **2022 AIR NATION FREESTYLE NATIONALS**; a national championship that gathers the rising stars in Freestyle Snowboarding from across the country.

From February 1st to 6th, athletes will do their best to polish up their tricks and impress the judges on the Half Pipe and the SlopeStyle course at Winsport Canada Olympic Park. The Big Air Event will also be a highlight of the week's events.

Dustin Heise, Executive Director of Canada Snowboard, is excited to see this World Class event grace the slopes of Winsport Canada Olympic Park:

"On behalf of Canada Snowboard and our provincial partners, it is my distinct pleasure to extend a warm welcome to all of our Canadian and international athletes participating in this event.

We know that the organizers have worked hard to prepare the course and ensure that all the details have been taken care of to allow you to enjoy and compete at your highest level. Hoping that this event will be a memorable part of your competitive career as you strive to realize your personal snowboarding aspirations.

From all of us involved with competitive snowboarding in Canada, we wish each and every one of you the very best.

Have fun, do well and good luck!"

THE RESORT

The **2022 AIR NATION FREESTYLE NATIONALS** will be held at Winsport's Canada Olympic Park, conveniently located in the South West of Calgary. Winsport Canada Olympic Park is looking forward to hosting the nation's top freestyle athletes for an exciting week of competition.

Located in Calgary, Alberta, Winsport COP is the home of the 1988 Winter Olympics and is a world class training facility for numerous sports. It's night riding allows young Athletes the ability to train after school in the only 22 foot pipe in Canada and one of the only night lit 22" pipes in North America. With excellent snowmaking abilities, Winsport is able to build quality jumps for the Slopestyle athletes and numerous courses for riders of all abilities.



ATHLETES REGISTRATION

Registration Deadline

Online registration will close at 12h00 on January 30, 2022.

International Athletes Notice

In order to confirm your registration, the Event Organizers need to receive a written confirmation from your National Snowboard Association confirming that you are in good standing, prior to your arrival at the event. The confirmation letter can be submitted by email to: admin@albertasnowboarding.com

Note: A valid <u>FIS License</u> is required to be listed on the FIS ranking

Eligibility - NorAm Competitions

Competitors must also hold a valid <u>FIS License</u> in order to be listed on the FIS ranking. Canadian athletes can purchase their FIS license and <u>SAIP insurance</u> before registering through their Provincial and Territorial Snowboard Associations.

Registration Fees

- Senior Events SS/BA \$150 (online registration only)
- Junior Events SS \$125 (online registration only)

ATHLETE REGISTRATION <u>HERE</u> <u>www.snowreg.com</u>

LIFT TICKETS

Athlete lift tickets are \$30 per day with Bib, which can be purchased on the main level of the Frank King Day Lodge.



CANADIAN COACHES REGISTRATION

All Canadian coaches at events must register and meet the Canadian Minimum Coach Certification Standards.

To ensure you fully understand the certification requirements, review the <u>Coach</u> <u>Minimum Standards Policy</u>

COACHES REGISTRATION <u>HERE https://snowreg.com/#!/events/noram-freestyle-nationals</u>

COACHES LIFT TICKETS

Lift tickets for registered coaches will be available at the Coaches meeting the night before the event (5:1 athlete to coach ratio)

EVENT SCHEDULE *all times are approximate and subject to change

Tuesday February 1, 2022

- JR HP Training 10h00-13h00
- NorAm HP Training 18h00-20h00

Wednesday February 2, 2022

- JR HP Nationals 9h00-13h00
- NorAm SS & Big Air Training 13h00-15h00
- NorAm HP Nationals 16h00-20h00

Thursday February 3, 2022

• NorAm SS Nationals - 09h00-16h00

Friday February 4, 2022

• NorAm BA Nationals -10h00-14h00

Saturday February 5, 2022

- JR SS Training 09h00-12h00
- GROM Speed & Style Event 13h00-16h00
- Olympic Viewing Party evening (details TBD)

Sunday February 6, 2022



• JR SS Nationals - 9h00-17h00

PRIZING

The total cash purse will be dependent on the number of athletes that are participating in the events.

EVENT OFFICE | TEAM CAPTAIN MEETING

The theatre in the Frank King lodge, main floor.

TEAM CAPTAIN MEETING SCHEDULE *times subject to change

Monday January 31th 2022 -18h00 Tuesday February 1, 2022 - 17h00 Wednesday February 2, 2022 - 15h00 Thursday February 3, 2022 -18h00 Friday February 4, 2022 - 18h00 Saturday February 5, 2022 - 18h00

ACCOMMODATION

Sandman Hotel, Calgary West, the official accommodation partner of the **2022 AIR NATION FREESTYLE NATIONALS** is pleased to offer a discounted rate of \$103 for accommodations - February 1-6, 2022. The Sandman Hotel and Suites is located at 125 Bowridge Drive, NW, Calgary, AB How to Reserve a room:

- Call central reservations at 403-288-6033 or 1-800-726-3626 and quote 'Alberta Snowboard Association' with the check in and check out dates to make reservations.
- Rooms that are not picked up by January 15, 2022 will be released back into the hotel.
- If rooms are requested after the release dates, the Sandman will honor the rates pending room availability.



TRAVEL INFORMATION

Competition sites are located 28 km away from the Calgary International Airport.

REFUND POLICY

Event Registration Fee refunds require the approval of the Alberta Snowboard Executive Director and follow the <u>FIS NorAM Cup Refund Rules</u> (Section B, NAC 7) and the Canada Snowboard Refund <u>Policy</u>.

Request for refund must be submitted by email to: <u>registration@albertasnowboarding.com</u>

Refunds for cash or cheque transactions must be refunded by cheque. Credit card refunds must be processed via card transaction credit.

Lift Tickets are not refundable.

COVID 19 POLICY

Canada Snowboard and Provincial and Territorial Snowboard Associations are committed to providing and maintaining a safe and healthy environment for all our stakeholders and safeguarding the broader communities in which they live and play.

All Canada Snowboard Sanctioned Air & Speed Nation Events follow the Canada Snowboard <u>Vaccination Policy</u>.

You can find the latest information on federal and local health authorities and the current Covid 19 regulations on the <u>Canada Snowboard Covid 19-Page</u>.

The process for entering Canada for competition / event, training or other snowboard related activities can be found <u>HERE</u>.

We are asking all athletes and volunteers to wear masks at <u>ALL</u> times, unless on course. This means at the top of the course and on the lift. We are trying to keep everyone as safe and healthy as possible.

RULES & REGULATIONS

Certified helmets are mandatory for all training and competitions. Competitions are run in accordance with the FIS and NorAm rules. Detailed rules are available <u>HERE</u>



ANTI-DOPING

Canada Snowboard enforces the guidelines set by the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) in accordance with FIS regulations. For more information on anti-doping procedures and guidelines, Click <u>HERE (WADA)</u> and/or <u>HERE (FIS)</u>

SANCTION

Alberta Snowboarding Association, Canada Snowboard, the World Snowboard Federation and the International Ski Federation sanctioned the 2022 AIR NATION FREESTYLE NATIONALS as a FIS North American Cup, FIS (JR) National Championships and WSF National event.

OFFICIALS | VOLUNTEERS

If you are interested in being part of the team, as a volunteer, contact the organizing committee at <u>registration@albertasnowboarding.com</u>

NOTE: All Volunteers and Officials on site will need to be members of their Provincial or Territorial Snowboard Association and be, at least, Snowboard Official Level 1. To know more about the Canada Snowboard Officials Program, click <u>HERE</u>



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CS Technical Representative: Maggie Dekking Technical Delegate: Andy Weiss & Nick Taddeo Chief of Competition: <u>Sandy Macdonald</u> Head of Judges: <u>Sheena Keay</u> Covid Coordinator: TBC

LOCAL EVENT ORGANIZER – CONTACT INFORMATION

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Youth Performance Program Winsport AB Slopestyle/Halfpipe training days

What:

An early February training opportunity for clubs across the country. This camp will be focussed on providing a World Cup level Slopestyle course alongside a World Class 22ft Halfpipe, alongside a great Junior Slopestyle venue, within Canada, to provide the space for developing and refining skills for athletes of multiple LTD stages, in the freestyle disciplines. This activation is for everyone including coaches, to get some extra time on these venues during the daytime, and to better prepare for the contests following.

We will be splitting the training slots to accommodate the multiple skill sets/stages of the athletes to best support their training needs per venue.

When:

Sunday Jan 30th Monday Jan 31st

Draft Training Schedule:

Sunday Jan 30th: 10:00-2:00 World Cup Slopestyle course & 22ft Halfpipe (Westline Junior Slopestyle Course is open to the public and you are encouraged to ride there with your coach if this is where your skills will best benefit)

Monday Jan 31st: 10:00-2:00 World Cup Slopestyle course, Westline Junior Slopestyle course, and 22ft Halfpipe

Registration:

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The deadline is January 24th 5:00pm Pacific time.

Lift Tickets:

Lift tickets will be \$30/day per athlete, free to non-seasons pass holding coaches with 5 or more athletes. Details on how to purchase will be sent to the coaches once they have been finalized.

Youth Performance Program Camp requirements:

As this is a team training opportunity, athletes must attend with coaches. If your team is not interested in participating please contact <u>Mike.Stastook@CanadaSnowboard.ca</u>. Coaches must register as we will be communicating with the coaches regarding the activation. Please come with lunches and hydration pre packed as we will be leaving our bags at the top of the course and will take snack breaks as needed.

Goal of the camp:

- Give more opportunities to more snowboarders to ride a World cup level venue of this nature
- Increase pre-competition training time for athletes prior to 2022 Air Nation Freestyle Nationals competition
- Providing Provinces more venue-specific opportunities for CWG 2023 selections
- Provide more time to coaches to better prepare their athletes
- Increase freestyle skills of athletes within Canada
- Identify, track and mentor potential future high performance SBX-athletes at early development stages
- Early training engagement of stage 2 and 3 & 4 athletes
- increasing engagement into the world of transition riding (Halfpipe and transition hits)



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