



## U.S. Paralympics Alpine Skiing 2011-12 National Team Selection Criteria

Funding is not guaranteed at any level and is dependent on team nominations after the release of each successive IPC Points List beginning with the July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011 IPC Points list. An athlete's national team status may be changed based on factors including:

- Physical and Mental preparedness as evaluated by the coaching staff
- Commitment to training and preparation for the 2014 Paralympic Winter Games
- Commitment to participation in National Team camps, competitions, and other designated National Team activities

### Minimum Requirements to be named to the National World Cup Team (Podium Capable and Podium Potential Group)

- Be internationally classified by IPC Alpine Skiing
- Have a National (USSA) and IPC License
- Be in the USADA Out of Competition (OOC) testing pool.
- National Team status will be evaluated after each IPCAS Points list is released beginning with the July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011 IPC Points List.

### National Team - Podium Capable (A TEAM)

Athletes must:

- Men
  - 2011 World Championship Medalist
  - Top 10 World Ranking in one discipline on the July 1, 2011 Points list (*of active competitors that are World Cup eligible*)
- Women
  - 2011 World Championship Medalist (change to 2012 globe Winner for the next year) OR
  - Top 5 World Ranking in one discipline (*of active competitors that are World Cup eligible*)

### National Team - Podium Potential (B TEAM)

Athletes must:

- Men and Women: Be qualified in a minimum of one event to the World Cup based on published IPC standards. (*of active competitors that are World Cup eligible*) The following standards also shall apply:
- All Disciplines::
  - VI Women: ranked top 10 in a discipline
  - VI Men: ranked top 12 in a discipline
  - Standing and Sitting Women: Ranked top 10 in a discipline eligible
  - Standing and Sitting Men: Ranked top 30 in a discipline
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**NOTE:** Any athlete returning to active competition status from Injured Status that previously met the National Elite Team Podium Capable level will be given Podium Potential Status. Podium Capable status will have to be re-earned via results.





### National Development Team

Athletes must:

- Two athletes per category will be named to the development team based on IPC World Ranking or USSA points as outlined below. If the quotas per category remain available, discretion may be used to fill a team. Athletes that were part of the National Team (World Cup or Continental) will have to re-qualify for national team status.
- Be internationally classified by IPC Alpine Skiing OR nationally classified by U.S. Paralympics.
- Have a USSA and IPC license.
- Be in the USADA OOC testing pool.
- Men and Women: eligible for the Paralympic Games or World Championships based on IPC MQS (minimum qualification standard) criteria for a minimum of one event.
  
- Standing and Sitting Men: Top 50 IPC ranking OR under 180 USSA points for Standing, under 240 for Sitting athletes
- Standing and Sitting Women: Top 20 IPC ranking OR Under 180 USSA points for Standing, under 240 for Sitting athletes
- VI Women: Top 15 IPC ranking OR under 180 USSA points
- VI Men: Top 18 IPC ranking OR under 180 USSA points
- One top 3 result by category (VI, Standing, Sitting) at the 2011 U.S. Paralympics Alpine Skiing National Championships, provided the result is within 15% [time back] of the first place result.

\*Note: For IPCAS Points lists go to: <http://www.ipc-alpineskiing.org/Point Lists/>