



PARK & PIPE ACADEMY SELECTION CRITERIA 2015-16

INTRODUCTION

The Park & Pipe Academy is designed to support selected athletes to train, and where appropriate compete, in national and international environments for their Home Nation and GB. Athletes must commit to developing their fitness, technical skills and be motivated to succeed. It is vital that there is support from parents and coaches but it's also essential that athletes have a strong work ethic to realise their potential in the program. Athletes are expected to train and compete in halfpipe, slopestyle and big air events and will also be required to follow a fitness program set out by the academy coaches.

SELECTION POLICY

This policy is for selection to the Park & Pipe Academy and shall apply with effect from February 2015 until further notice.

AIMS OF THE SELECTION POLICY

- To ensure transparency and accountability in the selection process.
- To ensure a fair and just criteria and practices are employed for the selection of Academy athletes.
- To support the overall competition and development objectives of Snowsport Scotland, Snowsport England, Snowsport Wales and British Ski & Snowboard.

SELECTION PROCESS

- Complete the online application form providing links to video footage of performance.
- Provide a copy of individual Traffic Lights tracker in support of their application.
- Attendance on Athletic Capacity Evaluation with respective Home Nation.
- Attend Technical Skills Assessment day*

* For new applicants or existing athletes who are outwith regular coaching contact with the program.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The undernoted criteria are required for athletes who wish to be considered for selection to the Park & Pipe Academy.

- 10 years old.
- Registered as a competitor for the 2015/16 season with one of the Home Nations.
- Agree to and sign the Code of Conduct, Concussion Protocol and Camp Booking Policy.
- Behave in a manner expected of those representing their country.
- Meet the minimum skill levels on the Performance Profile charts below with consideration for age.
 - The performance of the trick at the specified level is required to be a solid, controlled rotation with a strong grab and landed on the whole ski / board. This should be a refined skill and ready for inclusion in competition as per 'green' on Traffic Lights.
 - The specified age is based on the athlete's age on the date of the selection meeting. However athletes who's birthdays fall within 3 months of the meeting should be able to demonstrate they are already on a pathway to developing their skills at the next level on the chart.

This is to be supported by the individual athletes traffic lights, which should show an appropriate depth of skills in addition to the specified trick.

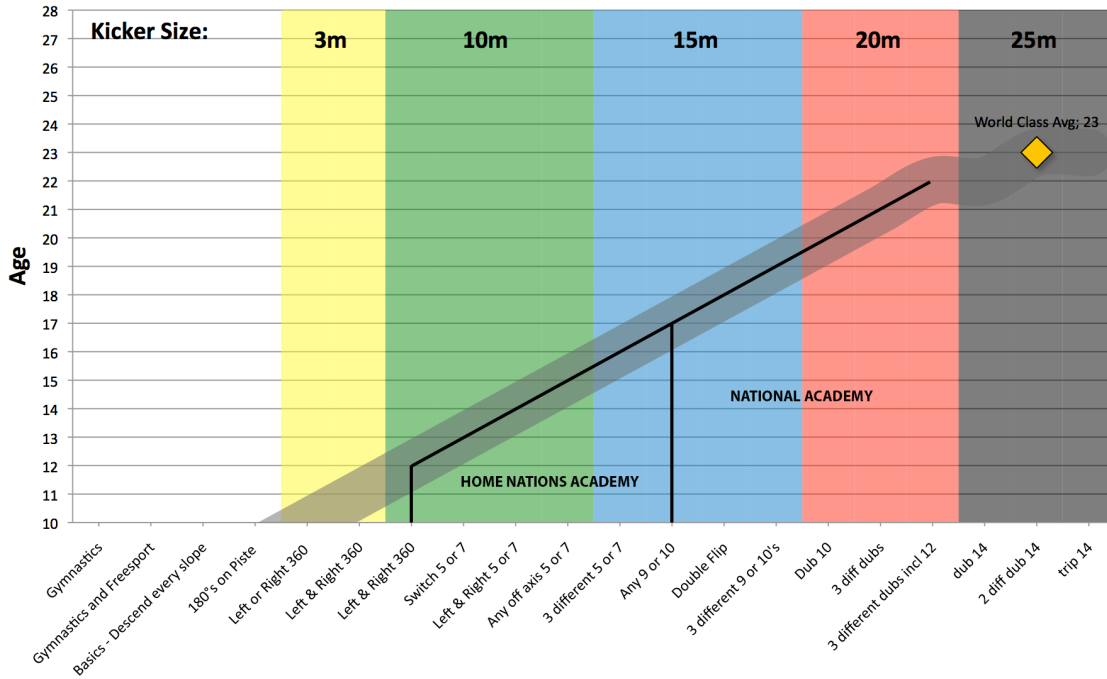


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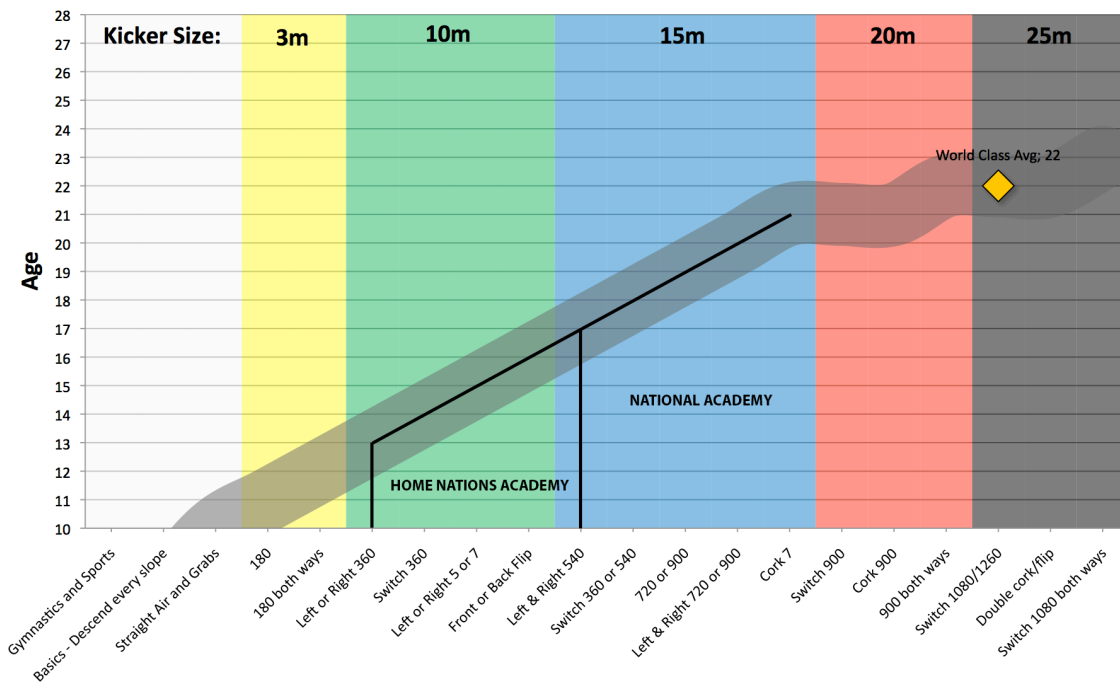


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DEMO | Mens Slopestyle Performance: Jan-2015



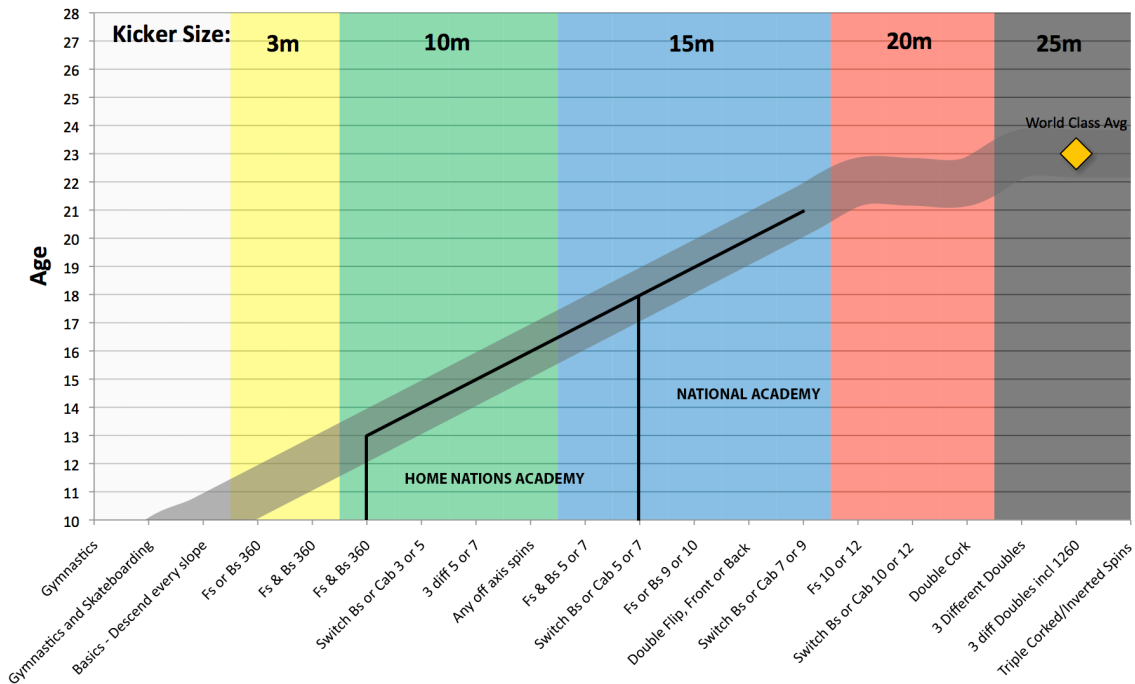
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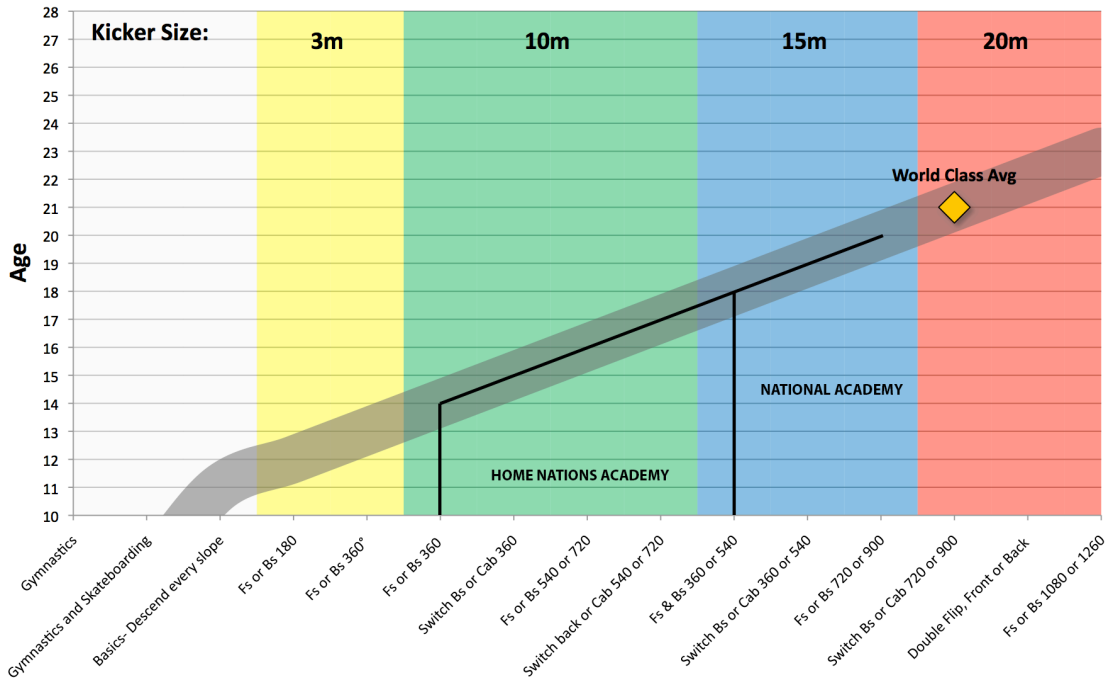
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DEMO | Slopestyle Performance: Jan-15



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Traffic Light Examples

SW R 1440 (dub)	SW L 1440 (dub)	R 1440 (dub)	L 1440 (dub)	L Rodeo 1440 (dub)	R Rodeo 1440 (dub)	SW L R 1440 (dub)	SW R R 1440 (dub)	L Bio 1440 (dub)	R Bio 1440 (dub)	SW L B 1440 (dub)	SW R B 1440 (dub)
SW R 1260 (dub)	SW L 1260 (dub)	R 1260 (dub)	L 1260 (dub)	L Rodeo 1260 (dub)	R Rodeo 1260 (dub)	SW L R 1260 (dub)	SW R R 1260 (dub)	L Bio 1260 (dub)	R Bio 1260 (dub)	SW L B 1260 (dub)	SW R B 1260 (dub)
SW R 10 (dub)	SW L 1080 (dub)	R 1080 (dub)	L 1080 (dub)	L Rodeo 1080 (dub)	R Rodeo 1080 (dub)	SW L R 1080 (dub)	SW R R 1080 (dub)	L Bio 1080 (dub)	R Bio 1080 (dub)	SW L B 1080 (dub)	SW R B 1080 (dub)
SW R 900	SW L 900	R 900	L 900	L Rodeo 900	R Rodeo 900	SW L Rodeo 900	SW R Rodeo 900	L Bio 900	R Bio 900	SW L Bio 900	SW R Bio 900
SW R 720	SW L 720	R 720	L 720	L Rodeo 720	R Rodeo 720	SW L Rodeo 720	SW R Rodeo 720	L Bio 720	R Bio 720	SW L Bio 720	SW R Bio 720
SW R 540	SW L 540	R 540	L 540	L Rodeo 540	R Rodeo 540	SW L Rodeo 540	SW R Rodeo 540	L Bio 540	R Bio 540	SW L Bio 540	SW R Bio 540
SW R 360	SW L 360	R 360	L 360	B/FLIPS		SW B/FLIPS		F/FLIPS		SW F/FLIPS	
SW R 180	SW L 180	R 180	L 180								

The above Traffic Lights indicate a multi-directional approach to skills development and suitably support the skill level plotted on the Performance Chart.

SW R 1440 (dub)	SW L 1440 (dub)	R 1440 (dub)	L 1440 (dub)	L Rodeo 1440 (dub)	R Rodeo 1440 (dub)	SW L R 1440 (dub)	SW R R 1440 (dub)	L Bio 1440 (dub)	R Bio 1440 (dub)	SW L B 1440 (dub)	SW R B 1440 (dub)
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SW R 720	SW L 720	R 720	L 720	L Rodeo 720	R Rodeo 720	SW L Rodeo 720	SW R Rodeo 720	L Bio 720	R Bio 720	SW L Bio 720	SW R Bio 720
SW R 540	SW L 540	R 540	L 540	L Rodeo 540	R Rodeo 540	SW L Rodeo 540	SW R Rodeo 540	L Bio 540	R Bio 540	SW L Bio 540	SW R Bio 540
SW R 360	SW L 360	R 360	L 360	B/FLIPS		SW B/FLIPS		F/FLIPS		SW F/FLIPS	
SW R 180	SW L 180	R 180	L 180								

The Traffic Lights shown above indicate a linear development of an athlete and would not support the multidirectional capacity required for an athlete to be selected to the Park & Pipe Academy.

PROCESS & TIMETABLE

Selections will normally be made in May, but not limited to, after the British Championships in March.

All athletes will be required to apply by the 15 April by completing the online application form and including video footage and Traffic Lights in support of their application.

Athletes showing the appropriate skills will be invited to the Athletic Capacity Evaluations.

Successful athletes will be named in May after the Athletic Capacity Evaluations.

There will be a second application window for new athletes only which will close on the 1 Sept. Any successful athletes will be invited to train with the programme for the rest of the season but are not formally selected until successful reapplication in May.

Any athlete who demonstrates ability in excess of the National Academy will have their application and documentation forwarded to BSS for consideration to the GB Park & Pipe Teams.



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ATHLETIC CAPACITY EVALUATIONS

Each Home Nation will run an pre-selection Athletic Capacity Evaluation and athletes will be required to attend prior to being selected. If an athlete cannot attend he/she will be not be selected until he/she has attended and submitted any relevant documents. This is done to provide baseline figures to chart athletic development over the year.

COMMITMENT EXPECTATIONS

The following levels are the expected attendance for athletes selected to the Academy program to gain the most benefit from the support on offer.

Home Nations Academy – 65% of domestic training camps and 2-4 weeks abroad

National Academy – 80% of domestic training camps and 6+ weeks abroad.

CODE OF CONDUCT

All athletes will be required to sign and abide by a Code of Conduct, Concussion Protocol and Camp Booking Conditions. Agreement to both of these will be required to submit the online application form.

FORMATION AND MEMBERS OF SELECTION COMMITTEE

The Chairman of the Selection Committee may invite others with specialist knowledge to contribute for part of a meeting depending on the availability of the individual members and the specific areas for which it is selecting. Committee members should be free from external conflicts of interest in the selection process.

Selection Committee

GB Performance Manager	Lesley McKenna
GB Snowboard Coach	Hamish McKnight
GB Freeski Coach	Pat Sharples
SSS Performance Manager	Ross Gardner
SSE Talent Development Officer	Ian Findlay
Academy Snowboard Coach	Ben Kinnear
Academy Freeski Coach	Neil MacGrain
SSE Selection Rep	Becky Hammond
SSE Selection Rep	James Webb

APPEALS PROCESS

The Park & Pipe Academy appeals processes are structured to conform to UK Sport guidelines. All appeals must be made in writing, with accompanying evidence and additional information to the Park & Pipe Academy office. Snowsport Scotland, Caledonia House, South Gyle, Edinburgh, EH12 9DQ

For selections, appeals must be made within 7 days of the announcement of the named athletes. All appeals will be considered on an individual basis. Appeals will first be reconsidered by the original selection committee who will explain their reasons for the decision to the athlete. If the athlete is not happy with the process or the outcome of the selection committee's final decision, then the athlete may opt to refer the matter to an internal appeals committee. The Snowsport Scotland appeals chairman will constitute an internal appeal's committee made up of at least three people, who did not sit on the original selection committee.

If the dispute remains unresolved, it will be submitted for an exclusive, final and binding determination to the Sports Dispute Resolution Panel (SDRP). The Park & Pipe Academy understands that both parties will to undertake and to execute in good faith any decision of the SDRP.

