



## The Nordiq Canada Development Fund, Team Coatsworth Athlete Grants

### 1) BACKGROUND

The NCDF Team Coatsworth Athlete Grant is an annual grant delivered through the Nordiq Canada Development Fund. The aim of the grant is to support individual elite athletes, who are in financial need, and have demonstrated potential for reaching international podiums. Athlete's involvement in furthering their education will also be a consideration. This is established as a generous gift by long-time Canadian cross-country ski supporter and former Nordiq Canada Board Chair Jamie Coatsworth.

For 2024-2025, the grant will support three athletes with \$2,000 of funding each, including:

- One Olympic stream female athlete
- One Olympic stream male athlete
- One Paralympic stream athlete

### 2) ELIGIBILITY

Athletes who meet the following criteria are encouraged to apply for the grant.

- 1) The athlete must either be training:
  - a. as a member of a Canadian National Ski Team Program (*including Olympic and Para Nordic Gold/World Cup, Silver/NextGen and Development programs*)
  - b. as a member of a Nordiq Canada-affiliated Training Center (*including the Alpine Insurance Alberta World Cup Academy, Centre National d'Entrainement Pierre Harvey, and National Team Development Center Thunder Bay*)
- 2) The athlete must not be receiving SR1 or SR level Sport Canada Athlete Assistance Program (AAP) carding during the 2024-2025 season. Athletes receiving D or no carding are welcome to apply.



- 3) The athlete must be in the U20, U23 or Senior category for the 2024-2025 season.
- 4) At the time of the application, the athlete must:
  - a. hold a valid Nordiq Canada race license
  - b. hold a valid Canadian FIS license
  - c. be planning on actively participating in the 2024-2025 competition season as a high-performance athlete.

### **3) APPLICATION**

**Athletes wishing to apply for the grant must provide the following by email to [fund@nordiqcanada.ca](mailto:fund@nordiqcanada.ca) by September 19<sup>th</sup>.**

- 1) Background Information
  - a. Name:
  - b. Age:
  - c. Home Club:
  - d. Team (if applicable):
  - e. I am an (Olympic stream athlete, or Para Nordic athlete)
- 2) Eligibility Information
  - a. What is your training situation (National Team Program, Training Center Program):
  - b. Are you receiving AAP carding for the 2024-2025 season?
  - c. Carding category for 2024-2025 season (e.g., SR1, SR, D):
  - d. Nordiq Canada race license number:
  - e. FIS license number:
- 3) Past Results, Goals and Financial Need
  - a. Outline any notable results from the past two seasons.
  - b. Outline your goals for the upcoming 2024-2025 season.
  - c. Explain your financial need and how you have managed your financial needs in previous years:



- d. Describe how you will use these funds if you receive the grant:
- e. Provide an overview of your educational pursuits from the previous year, as well as any planned educational activities for the upcoming year, including the expected time commitment:
- f. Outline your ambitions for your high-performance skiing career over the next 3 to 5 years.

#### **4) SELECTION**

All complete applications received by the deadline will be reviewed by the Nordiq Canada Development Fund Committee. Committee members will score, and rank applications based on the content and quality of information provided in 3.3.a – 3.3.f, and the committee will then select successful applicants by consensus.

Successful applicants will be contacted by the Chair of the NCDF Committee. The NCDF Committee expects to notify recipients by October 2024 and funds dispersed by November 2024.

#### **5) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

Successful recipients of the grant will be required to provide, by Dec 31, 2024, the following to [fund@nordiqcanada.ca](mailto:fund@nordiqcanada.ca) to aid in the future promotion of the grant:

- 1) A short, written paragraph that includes impact of the grant and a summary of how the funds will be used to support their goals and continued athletic development.
- 2) 3 photos of the athlete participating in training, competition, or other skiing related activities.
- 3) A short, personalized thank-you video addressed to the donor of the grant.

Please direct questions about the grant to: [fund@nordiqcanada.ca](mailto:fund@nordiqcanada.ca)