



## SKELETON – Athlete Pathways

### NEW ATHLETES:

In all instances – the athlete must attend the annual athletes testing event. Licenses will only be issued to athletes who have attended the testing event and training camp and is ultimately selected to the national team in either the youth, development, or elite categories.

The training camp incorporates orientations, workshops, training sessions, testing sessions and presentations etc.

Prospective athletes are encouraged to prepare to test to Minimum Physical Standards at the annual testing event.

New athletes who demonstrate ‘top of class’ ability on the physical standards at the end of the training camp then move to the Development Program

### DEVELOPMENT ATHLETES:

Development Athlete Events include IBSF Development Training Weeks, IBSF Driver Development Camps, IBSF North Americas Cup Races, IBSF European Cup Races etc  
Development Athletes are required to participate in the annual testing event, annual training camp, and national push championships.

Development Athletes are required to test beyond the Minimum Physical Standards.

Development Athletes are required to attend an IBSF Driver Development Camps in addition to 2x IBSF Development Training Weeks or approved equivalent.

Development Athletes are required to complete a minimum of 60 runs across 3 tracks minimum across 2 seasons maximum. Development Athletes are required to show a proficiency and ability to navigate a track in a safe, confident, competitive and professional manner.

### ELITE ATHLETES:

Elite Athletes/Teams are required to participate in the annual testing event, the annual training camp, and the annual national push championships.

Elite Athletes/Teams by definition are expected to test beyond the Minimum Physical Standards.

Transition from Sub Elite Level (NAC/EC) to Elite Level (ICC/WC):

Across a 2 season period, athletes must: In a field of less than 6 sleds Finish in the top 3 on 3 occasions.

In a field of 6 sleds or more Finish in the top 3 on two occasions and within the top 10 on three additional occasions.

AND/OR

Have earned a WC, WCH or OLY spot based on the previous or current season performance

FUNDING:

Athletes will be funded based on the availability of resources within the JBSF with priority funding going to the best performing athletes based on IBSF ranking and head to head competition