PARENT COMPETITION GUIDE

2026-27



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Every competition is optionalin every Freestyle Whistler program. Any athlete who meets the organizer's age, licence and membership requirements may register. The right event should still match the athlete's interests, preparation and confidence. More events are not automatically better.

Freestyle events assess defined disciplines such as moguls, slopestyle and big air.

Freeride events assess a complete run through natural terrain. Both require preparation, coach support and careful attention to registration deadlines.

	Freestyle events	Freeride events
Governing body	Freestyle BC / Freestyle Canada	IFSA Region 2
Typical formats	Moguls, slopestyle, big air and related disciplines	One judged line through natural big-mountain terrain
Development entry	Shred Series	Junior U12 or lower-star junior events, depending on age
Provincial / competitive entry	Timber Tour	Junior 2-star and 3-star events
Registration	Usually SnowReg / Uplifter through the event invite	LiveHeats through the IFSA event page
What families should check	Licence, event disciplines, waivers, bib and coach support	IFSA and regional memberships, division, seeding, waitlist and safety equipment

Start with the athlete's program plan. Current program details belong in the Parent Hub; the governing body's event page remains the authority for registration and event rules.





FREESTYLE EVENTS

Freestyle BC'sprovincial pathwaygivesdeveloping athletes different levels of competition. Event formats and schedules are confirmed in each official event invite.

	Shred Series	Timber Tour
Purpose	Introductory competition focused on fun, skill development and learning event routines.	Provincial series for athletes ready for more technical terrain and stronger competitive fields.
Typical age groups	U8, U10, U12, U14 and U16. Age is determined as of January 1.	U14, U16, U18 and 18-20 Masters. Age is determined as of January 1.
Minimum licence	Freestyle Canada / Freestyle BC Club Athlete licence.	Freestyle Canada / Freestyle BC Provincial Athlete licence.
Terrain	Smaller jumps and accessible boxes, rails and mogul formats.	Larger or more technical features, with event-specific options and lanes.
Season standings	Event results and medals; no overall Shred Series season ranking.	Provincial results and ranking opportunities.
Movement between series	Athletes may progress to Timber Tour when ready.	Once an athlete competes in Timber Tour, they may not return to Shred Series that season.

Coast Series

Coast Series events provide additional freestyle competition opportunities. Participation is optional and open to eligible athletes from all club programs.

2027 event	Dates and disciplines	Registration
Whistler Coast Series	Friday, February 12 - Training Saturday, February 13 - Moguls Sunday, February 14 - Slopestyle	Registration will open in December. The exact opening date and event details will be shared when confirmed.
Mount Washington Coast Series	Planned for March 26-28	This second Coast Series event is being planned by Mount Washington Freestyle. The detailed schedule and registration timing are still to be confirmed.

Choosing a freestyle event

- The athlete shouldbe interestedinthe event and prepared for its terrain and format.
- Any eligible Freestyle Whistler athlete may register. Families should still tell the program coach which event and disciplines the athlete intends to enter.
- Freestyle Whistler provides coaching support at all Timber Tour and Shred Series events. Families remain responsible for their athlete's travel and supervision.
- A Provincial Athlete licence is required for Timber Tour and for athletes performing approved inverted skills under the applicable pathway requirements.

FREESTYLE REGISTRATION AND 2027 EVENTS

FERNIE REGISTRATION OPENS MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9

General registration opens at 7:00 p.m.MST / 6:00 p.m.Vancouver time. Registrationis first come, first served and a waitlist is available if events fill. Complete the required RCR waivers before starting registration and save every Agreement ID.

2027 event	Dates	Current published information
Fernie Timber Tour #1 and Shred Series	January 21-24	Timber Tour $260; Shred Series $135. Moguls, slopestyle and big air. General registration November 9-January 14.
Sun Peaks Timber Tour #2	February 18-21	Timber Tour fee currently listed as $260. Check the official invite for registration and Shred Series details.
Apex Timber Tour #3 - BC Championships	March 4-7	Timber Tour fee currently listed as $260. Check the official invite for registration and Shred Series details.

Fernie-specific actions

1. Choose the appropriateseriesand tell the program coach which disciplines the athlete intends to enter.
2. Confirm the correct 2026-27 licence before registration.
3. Complete the RCR Event Agreement. Athletes 15 and younger also require the Parental Agreement; both must be completed in the competitor's name.
4. Register through the official event page. Fernie automatically enters athletes in every available discipline; the coach must request removal from any start list at the Team Captains Meeting.
5. Plan accommodation, transportation, supervision and meals. The club will investigate a group lift-ticket purchase where it may provide savings.
6. Bring the athlete's bib. Timber Tour bibs are purchased once for the season; Shred Series bibs must be returned.

Club support and costs

Freestyle Whistler will provide coaching support for athletes from all club programs at Fernie and at every Timber Tour and Shred Series event. Participation is optional. Event coaching and shared staff travel costs are additional to program fees and will be confirmed before each event.

Current details: Fernie event page



FREERIDE EVENTS

IFSA junior freeride events evaluate how athletes choose and ski a complete line through natural terrain. The event level affects entry, seeding and the competitive field, but every athlete still needs suitable preparation and coach support.

Event level	How entry works	Best understood as
Junior U12	Unseeded. Available starts are awarded by registration timestamp.	A developmental introduction to freeride competition for the U12 division.
Junior 2-star	Everyone registers during the 72-hour window and initially appears waitlisted. After closing, 50% of starts are awarded by seeding and 50% by timestamp.	The main regional junior competition level and a place to build experience and seeding.
Junior 3-star	Athletes initially appear waitlisted. IFSA confirms 90% of starts by seeding and holds the final 10% until three weeks before the event.	A more selective event for experienced, appropriately seeded athletes.

Memberships and account setup

- Junior athletes need an active IFSA membership and their home regional membership. British Columbia athletes use the Western Canada region.
- Use the same LiveHeats account for membership and event registration. Do not create duplicate athlete profiles.
- A one-time membership supports one event. Athletes planning two or more events should hold the appropriate full-season memberships.
- The athlete's IFSA age division is set under the current IFSA age rules and does not change partway through the season.

Coach and safety requirements

- Discusseveryevent withtheprogramcoachbefore registering. An event start is not useful without suitable preparation and confirmed coaching coverage.
- A helmet and standalone back protector are mandatory. The event may also require a transceiver, probe, shovel or airbag; check the event guide.
- Inspection, venue rules, bib requirements and event instructions are mandatory parts of competition.





IFSA

Why everyone initially looks waitlisted

For Junior 2-star and 3-star events,waitlisted is thenormal initial status. IFSA applies the event's entry method after the registration window closes. Registering does not guarantee a start, and families should wait for confirmation before treating participation as final.

Seeding and ranking are different

	Seeding	Series ranking
Purpose	Helps determine entry into oversubscribed events.	Shows performance within the current competition season.
Calculation	Rolling best three results from the previous 52 weeks.	Top three finishes from the athlete's first four regular-season competitions.
Practical effect	Affects the seeded share of Junior 2-star starts and most Junior 3-star starts.	Supports season standings and qualification pathways.

How freeride runs are evaluated

Judges consider the athlete's line choice and how effectively the run is completed. The Line score establishes the run's foundation; it is not a five-category equal-weight total.

Criterion	What families can look for
Line	The difficulty, creativity and use of the venue selected by the athlete.
Control	Balanced skiing, managed speed and recovery from errors.
Technique	Effective skiing movements suited to the terrain and snow.
Fluidity	A connected run with purposeful movement and limited hesitation.
Style	Individual expression, confidence and execution of features or airs.

Always check the current IFSA rules and registration guides and IFSA Help Center.



2026-27 FREERIDE EVENTS

COMPETITION IS OPTIONAL

All club competitions are optional. Any Freestyle Whistler athlete who meets IFSA's age and membership requirements may register. Athletes may target one event, both events or neither event.

Target event	Event dates	Registration window	Current club position
Whistler IFSA Junior 2-star	January 2-3, 2027	November 19-22 at 6:00 p.m. MST / 5:00 p.m. Vancouver time	Local freeride opportunity with club coaching. Families manage the athlete's registration and supervision.
Revelstoke IFSA Junior 2-star	February 19-21, 2027	January 7-10 at 7:00 p.m. MST / 6:00 p.m. Vancouver time	Travel freeride opportunity with club coaching. Families travel with and supervise their athlete.

What families need to know

- The package includes only the Whistler and Revelstoke Junior 2-star events.
- Participation remains subject to IFSA eligibility, registration and event acceptance. Registering does not guarantee a start.
- Freestyle Whistler provides event coaching only at this level. Families manage registration, transportation, accommodation, meals and athlete supervision.
- The club will confirm the coaching plan, shared costs and meeting arrangements before each event.

Use the Parent Hub for club updates. Confirm live details on the Whistler Junior 2-star event page and Revelstoke Junior 2-star event page.



TRAVEL, COSTS AND CONDUCT

Who Manages Travel

At Timber Tour, Shred Series and the Whistler and Revelstoke IFSA events included in this package, the club provides coaching only. Families travel with their athletes and manage transportation, accommodation, meals and supervision.

Costs and Withdrawal

- Competitioncosts are additional to program fees. Families also pay event entry, lift tickets, athlete and parent travel, accommodation and meals.
- The club typically charges approximately $200-$300 per athlete for Okanagan events and approximately $400 per athlete for Kootenay events. These estimates cover event coaching and shared staff travel costs and will be confirmed before each event.
- The club will look into group lift-ticket purchases when they may provide savings. Availability and final pricing depend on the host resort and participating group.
- Review the organizer's cancellation policy before registering. Confirmation fees and later withdrawals may be partly or fully non-refundable.

Representing Freestyle Whistler

At every event, athletes represent Freestyle Whistler. Whether travel is club-managed or family-managed, athletes are expected to behave in a mature, respectful manner that reflects the club positively on snow, at venues, in accommodation, in public and online.

- Follow the Athlete Code of Conduct, Safe Sport expectations, resort rules and coach or official directions.
- Fighting, bullying, harassment, intimidation, property damage and unsafe or disrespectful conduct are not permitted.
- Drugs, alcohol, cannabis products and vaping are prohibited for athletes.
- Report illness, injury, bullying, boundary concerns or an unsafe situation promptly.

Club policies: Freestyle Whistler policies





REGISTRATION CHECKLISTS

Freestyle event checklist

Step	Action
1	Choose the event and appropriate series. Any athlete who meets the organizer's requirements may register.
2	Confirm the athlete has the required Freestyle Canada / Freestyle BC licence.
3	Read the official invite, event disciplines, schedule and refund terms.
4	Complete every required resort waiver and save confirmation or agreement codes.
5	Register through the official SnowReg / Uplifter link before the deadline.
6	Confirm the club coaching charge, bib, lift access and meeting plan. Arrange family travel, accommodation and supervision.

Freeride event checklist

Step	Action
1	Confirm IFSA and Western Canada memberships in the athlete's existing LiveHeats profile.
2	Choose Whistler, Revelstoke or both. Tell the program coach so the club can plan event coaching.
3	Check the event page, registration window, seeding and cancellation policy.
4	Register during the published window and expect an initial waitlist status.
5	Wait for confirmed acceptance before treating the start as final or making inflexible bookings.
6	Confirm the club coaching charge, safety equipment, event waivers and meeting plan. Arrange family travel and supervision.

CHECK AGAIN BEFORE DEPARTURE

Schedules, venues, start lists, and lift access. Recheck the official event page

FAQ

Does registering for an IFSA event guarantee a start?

No. Junior 2-star and 3-star entrants initially appear waitlisted. IFSA applies seeding and timestamp rules after the registration window closes.

Does my athlete need to compete?

No. Every competition is optional in every Freestyle Whistler program.

Who may register?

Any Freestyle Whistler athlete who meets the organizer's age, licence and membership requirements may register. Families are welcome to contact the club with questions.

Can an athlete enter only some Fernie disciplines?

Yes, but Fernie automatically registers athletes in all available disciplines. Tell the coach which disciplines the athlete intends to compete in so the coach can request any removals at the Team Captains Meeting.

Who books travel?

Families travel with their athletes and manage transportation, accommodation, meals and supervision for every event in this package. Freestyle Whistler provides event coaching only.

Where should families look first for updates?

Use the athlete's program Parent Hub for the club plan, then confirm registration and event rules on the official organizer page.

Official information

Freestyle Whistler:Parent Hub | Freestyle Whistler policies

Freestyle BC: Freestyle BC event calendar | Freestyle BC event FAQ | Fernie event page

IFSA: IFSA event calendar | IFSA Help Center | IFSA rules and registration guides | IFSA seeding