

**CAN AM CHALLENGE**  
**March 2019**

**General Proposal**

Every two years, starting in 2017 with the USA as host, the USA and Canada will host a two round, world record capability event for one six-member junior (U17) and one six-member U14 team. In the event either country is unable to fill the roster of one or more teams, one skier may be added to the other age groups as long as the total number of athletes remains at twelve. Canada and the USA will ideally alternate as organizer with Canada hosting in 2019.

**Details**

One round is held each day for 72 rides per day.

There are two team overall first place trophies only, no other awards.

Each team overall is based on the top three scores in each event from either round with the 1000 points going to the best performance of either round.

Without going through the Pan Am Confederation Tournament Council, each country will select one driver, one scorer and up to five judges. The host country selects the Chief Judge from among the ten judges. The organizer chooses the TC and Safety Director. The IAC chair, Canadian equivalent and CJ select the CD & the CS from those invited. The organizer houses and provides lunches for the officials.

Each of the 24 skiers pays an entry fee, the total going to the LOC for hosting the event (mainly officials' housing, gas, meals, etc.)

There is no financial support from USA-WS HQ for the organizer.

**Notes**

Over the years, organizers have wanted to offer more festivities, add medals, etc., all good gestures but ones that get away from the KISS principle. Future organizers might not then step up, fearing they have to match the prior event's perks. Or, if one does and then offers fewer perks, that organizer looks bad.

It is intended that the Can Am Challenge tournament be an opportunity to provide a fun international tournament competition to athletes with little or no prior international team competition experience. Skiers will be appointed by their federations to these teams based on their readiness to compete at the Can Am Challenge level. Although athletes who have been appointed to other international teams (Pan Am Championship or World Championship events) can be considered for these teams, qualified athletes who have not been appointed to other international teams will generally be given preference for these Can Am Challenge teams (based on the depth of the field of interested and qualified athletes) as determined by their federations.