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## **2010 ARCTIC WINTER GAMES SPORT SELECTION**

**Whitehorse, Yukon** – The Arctic Winter Games International Committee (AWGIC) announced the sports that will be part of the 2010 Arctic Winter Games today.

AWGIC President, Mr. Gerry Thick said, “the Committee, at the direction of the Political Leaders responsible for the Games has maintained the total participation numbers for 2010 at levels similar to previous Games”

The total number of participants for the 2010 Games has been set at 2000. Sports from the 2008 Games will continue with the addition of Alpine Skiing, which had not been included in Yellowknife because of the lack of a facility. Freestyle Skiing was also added because of the growth in popularity of the sport.

The Committee also approved the consolidation of age categories in cross country skiing and an age rotation schedule for indoor soccer to provide a greater opportunity for more athletes to participate in the Games.

A complete summary of the sports selected for the 2010 Games is attached.

Grande Prairie, Alberta is hosting the next Arctic Winter Games from March 6 to 13, 2010. The AWGIC will be meeting with the Grande Prairie Host Society in mid-October as part of its normal pre-Games review process.

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2010 Arctic Winter Games  
Team Numbers

SPORT	CLASS		SPORT	CLASS		
<b>Alpine Skiing</b>	Junior Male	3	<b>Freestyle Skiing</b>	Junior Male	3	
	Junior Female	3		Junior Female	3	
	Coaches	2		Coaches	2	
		<b>8</b>			<b>8</b>	
<b>Arctic Sports</b>	Open Male	4	<b>Gymnastics</b>	Junior Female	4	
	Open Female	4		Coaches	1	
	Junior Male	5			<b>5</b>	
	Junior Female	5	<b>Hockey</b>	Junior Women	17	
	Coaches	2		Midget	17	
		<b>20</b>		Bantam	17	
		Coaches		6		
<b>Badminton</b>	Junior Male	2		<b>57</b>		
	Junior Female	2	<b>Indoor Soccer</b>	Junior Male	8	
	Juvenile Male	2		Junior Female	8	
	Juvenile Female	2		Juvenile Male	8	
	Coaches	2		Juvenile Female	8	
		<b>10</b>		Intermediate Female	8	
		Coaches		5		
<b>Basketball</b>	Junior Male	10		<b>45</b>		
	Junior Female	10	<b>Snowboarding</b>	Junior Male	2	
	Coaches	2		Junior Female	2	
		<b>22</b>		Juvenile Male	2	
<b>Biathlon - Ski</b>	Junior Male - Ski	2		Juvenile Female	2	
	Junior Female - Ski	2		Coaches	2	
	Juvenile Male - Ski	2			<b>10</b>	
	Juvenile Female - Ski	2	<b>Snowshoeing</b>	Junior Male	2	
	Coaches	2		Junior Female	2	
	<b>Biathlon - Snowshoe</b>	Junior Male - Snowshoe		2	Juvenile Male	2
Junior Female - Snowshoe		2		Juvenile Female	2	
Juvenile Male - Snowshoe		2		Coaches	2	
Juvenile Female - Snowshoe		2			<b>10</b>	
Coaches		2	<b>Speed Skating</b>	Junior Male	4	
		<b>20</b>		Junior Female	4	
<b>Cross Country Skiing</b>	Junior Male	4		Juvenile Male	4	
	Junior Female	4		Juvenile Female	4	
	Juvenile Male	4		Coaches	2	
	Juvenile Female	4			<b>18</b>	
	Coaches	3	<b>Table Tennis</b>	Junior Male	2	
		<b>19</b>		Junior Female	2	
<b>Cultural Participants</b>	Junior Co-ed	6		Juvenile Male	2	
	Manager	1		Juvenile Female	2	
		<b>7</b>		Coaches	2	
<b>Curling</b>	Junior Male	4			<b>10</b>	
	Junior Female	4	<b>Volleyball</b>	Junior Male	10	
	Coaches	2		Junior Female	10	
		<b>10</b>		Coaches	2	
<b>Dene Games</b>	Open Male	4			<b>22</b>	
	Junior Female	4		<b>Wrestling</b>	Junior Male	7
	Junior Male	4			Junior Female	5
	Juvenile Female	4	Coaches		2	
	Coaches	2			<b>14</b>	
		<b>18</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>Athletes / Culture</b>	299
<b>Dog Mushing</b>	Junior Co-ed	2			<b>Coaches / Managers</b>	52
	Juvenile Co-ed	2		<b>Mission Staff</b>	14	
	Coaches	4				
		<b>8</b>	<b>Total</b>	365		
<b>Figure Skating</b>	Junior Female	8				
	Coaches	2				
		<b>10</b>				