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2012 ARCTIC WINTER GAMES SPORT SELECTION

Whitehorse, Yukon – The Arctic Winter Games International Committee (AWGIC) announced the sports that will be part of the 2012 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 2012 at levels similar to previous Games”

The total number of participants for the 2012 Games has been set at 1952. The only significant change in the sport menu is the elimination of Freestyle Skiing from the Games program. The low levels of participation at the 2010 Games was a determining factor in this decision.

The Committee also completed a review of its sport participation policies and agreed that it will move towards a maximum of two categories for each gender in all sports as early as 2014. Cross country skiing and indoor soccer were identified as two sports that might be impacted by this decision.

A complete summary of the sports selected for the 2012 Games is attached.

Whitehorse, Yukon is hosting the next Arctic Winter Games in March of 2012. The AWGIC will be meeting with the Whitehorse Host Society in mid-October as part of its normal pre-Games review process.

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2012 Arctic Winter Games
Team Numbers

SPORT	CLASS		SPORT	CLASS	
Alpine Skiing	Junior Male	3	Figure Skating	Junior Female	8
	Junior Female	3		Coaches	2
	Juvenile Male	3		10	
	Juvenile Female	3	Gymnastics	Junior Female	4
	Coaches	2		Coaches	1
		14			5
Arctic Sports	Open Male	4	Hockey	Junior Women	17
	Open Female	4		Midget	17
	Junior Male	5		Bantam	17
	Junior Female	5		Coaches	6
	Coaches	2			57
		20	Indoor Soccer	Junior Male	9
Badminton	Junior Male	2		Junior Female	9
	Junior Female	2		Juvenile Male	9
	Juvenile Male	2		Juvenile Female	9
	Juvenile Female	2		Intermediate Female	9
	Coaches	2		Coaches	5
		10			50
Basketball	Junior Male	10	Snowboarding	Junior Male	2
	Junior Female	10		Junior Female	2
	Coaches	2		Juvenile Male	2
		22		Juvenile Female	2
Biathlon - Ski	Junior Male - Ski	2		Coaches	2
	Junior Female - Ski	2		10	
	Juvenile Male - Ski	2	Snowshoeing	Junior Male	2
	Juvenile Female - Ski	2		Junior Female	2
	Coaches	2		Juvenile Male	2
		Juvenile Female		2	
		20		Coaches	2
Biathlon - Snowshoe	Junior Male - Snowshoe	2		10	
	Junior Female - Snowshoe	2	Speed Skating	Junior Male	4
	Juvenile Male - Snowshoe	2		Junior Female	4
	Juvenile Female - Snowshoe	2		Juvenile Male	4
	Coaches	2		Juvenile Female	4
		20		Coaches	2
Cross Country Skiing	Junior Male	4		18	
	Junior Female	4	Table Tennis	Junior Male	2
	Juvenile Male	4		Junior Female	2
	Juvenile Female	4		Juvenile Male	2
	Midget Male	4		Juvenile Female	2
	Midget Female	4		Coaches	2
	Coaches	3			10
			27	Volleyball	Junior Male
Cultural Participants	Junior Co-ed	6	Junior Female		10
	Manager	1	Coaches		2
		7		22	
Curling	Junior Male	4	Wrestling	Junior Male	7
	Junior Female	4		Junior Female	5
	Coaches	2		Coaches	2
		10			14
Dene Games	Open Male	4	TOTALS	Athletes / Culture	312
	Junior Female	4		Coaches / Managers	50
	Junior Male	4		Mission Staff	14
	Juvenile Female	4			
	Coaches	2			
		18	Total	376	
Dog Mushing	Junior Co-ed	2			
	Juvenile Co-ed	2			
	Coaches	4			
			8		