

This policy sets out the process used by Cross Country NWT (CCNWT) to produce and distribute Team NT race suits and warm-up suits for competitive events such as the Arctic Winter Games and Canada Winter Games.

1 **DEFINITIONS**

Race Suits: are snug fitting tights and shirts or one-piece that are typically worn during a race. They are intended to ensure freedom of movement and adequate heat dissipation during intense activity associated with racing.

Warm-Up Suits: Are looser fit pants and jackets worn over race suits that ensure athletes stay warm prior to racing. They provide some level of insulation and are easy to remove prior to racing.

2 RACE SUIT DESIGN AND PRODUCTION

From time to time, at the discretion of the CCNWT Board, designs shall be sought and commissioned for Team NT race suits and warm-up suits. The Board may adopt any method for the selection of a design to advance for production.

Race suit and warm-up suit designs bearing the Team NT insignia created under this policy shall be neither commissioned nor worn by competing athletes nor CCNWT members except with CCNWT's written permission.

3 **SUIT DISTRIBUTION**

Athletes eligible to receive CCNWT-produced Team NT race suits and/or warm-up suits are:

- Those selected to compete at the Arctic Winter Games. Racing policy states athletes can wear either a race suit or warm-up suit;
- Those selected to compete at the Canada Winter Games (subject to review and confirmation by the CCNWT Board). Racing policy states athletes need to wear a race suit.

Athletes removed on disciplinary grounds from an Arctic Winter Games or Canada Winter Games team prior to the event forfeit their right to wear a Team NT suit, and are obliged to return the suit to CCNWT.

Athletes removed on grounds of injury or illness from an Arctic Winter Games or Canada Winter Games team prior to the event are able to keep their suit, or may return it unused to CCNWT. Additional race suits will be made available to alternate skiers called up for events, to whom this policy then applies in its entirety once selected.

4 SUIT COSTS

Race Suits: Race suits will be loaned to Team NT athletes ahead of either the Arctic Winter Games or Canada Winter Games at no cost. Race suits will remain the property of CCWNT.

Athletes understand and agree as follows:

- 1. The athlete will inspect the race suit prior to accepting it and notify CCNWT, in a timely manner, of any excessive wear or defect (including but not limited to free of stains, tears, and missing or broken fasteners);
- 2. The race suit is sized for and should only be worn by the athlete;
- 3. The athlete will hold CCNWT free of liability for any personal injury sustained while wearing the suit;
- 4. The race suit will be maintained in good condition, except for reasonable wear and tear:
- 5. The race suit is to be returned to CCNWT within seven (7) days of the end of either the Arctic Winter Games or Canada Winter Games in clean and workable condition;
- 6. The athlete will pay for replacement of the suit, or any portion of the race suit not returned at the end of the Games;
- 7. The athlete will pay for repair or replacement of the race suit, or any portion of the race suit, not returned in clean and workable condition (including but not limited to free of stains, tears, and missing or broken fasteners).

Replacement cost is as follows:

Race Suit Top: \$115 Race Suit Bottom: \$100

Repair costs will be determined at the time of the repair.

CCNWT will, at the return of the race suit, determine the condition of the race suit, including whether or not excessive wear has occurred.

Warm-Up Suits: Warm-up suits may be purchased by Team NT athletes ahead of either the Arctic Winter Games or Canada Winter Games at 50% of the final warm-up suit cost, including shipping. Warm-up suits will remain the property of the athlete.

Warm-up Suit Top: \$165 Warm-up Suit Bottom: \$130