

SNOWBOARDING FREESTYLE

Physiological Requirements:

1. Lower body eccentric strength

Essential for absorbing high-impact landings on varied and sloped terrain.

2. Reactive Strength & Joint Stiffness

Enhances rebound ability and stability during transitions between jumps and rails.

3. Core & Trunk Stability

Supports posture, rotation control, and mid-air orientation.

4. Aerobic Capacity

Supports recovery between high-intensity efforts (e.g., heats, practice rounds).

5. Anaerobic Power

Required for short, intense bouts of performance (e.g., competition runs <60 seconds).

6. Limb Symmetry & Landing Mechanics

Reduces injury risk and ensures consistency on variable terrain.



ver and jumping ability in snowboarders reported in the literature.								Sport/discipline	n			CMJ height	n	Age	Women BM	n CMJ height			
ompetitive	Discipline	Sample size	Isometric quadriceps	Leg press power	Jumping height	(cm)	Jumping po	wer (W·ka ⁻¹)	Jumping force	e (N∙ka-	Street of Parameter		(y)	(kg)	(cm)		(y)	(kg)	(cm)
level			force (N)	(W⋅kg ⁻¹)		,				- (3	Strength & power sports Athletic sprinting (100/200 m)	13	25 ± 4	79 ± 10	62.7 ± 4.8	11	24 ± 4	60 ± 5	48.4 ± 6.1
											Long jump/triple jump		23 ± 4 24 ± 4	81 ± 7	56.2 ± 7.4				48.4 ± 0.0 44.1 ± 5.2
					CMJ	SJ	CMJ	SJ	CMJ	SJ	Speed skating sprint	19	24 ± 4	81 ± 8	51.3 ± 5.4	8	25 ± 5		40.9 ± 7
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Elite	_	16 (women)	_	range: 4.46-6.54	range: 23.0–37.3	_	_	_	_	_	Athletics throwing			103 ± 15	48.5 ± 9.3		21 ± 4	10 - 1	35.6 ± 4
Litto		, ,		0							Weightlifting	27	22 ± 3	91 ± 18	47.4 ± 7.4	15			$35.8 \pm 4.$
		21 (men)	-	range: 5.42-7.69	range: 32.5-48.9	-	-	-	-	-	Ski jumping	26	24 ± 3	65 ± 4	47.1 ± 5.4				35.0 ± 3.0
											Powerlifting	0		01 . 5	20.0.0.7	9	25 ± 6	65 ± 8	$35.0 \pm 7.$
Elite	SBx	5 (3 women)	_	_	45 ± 9	_	53.9 ± 5.5	_	20.7 ± 2.3	_	Skeleton	8	24 ± 4	81 ± 7	38.9 ± 9.7				
	02/1	0 (0 11011101)									Team sports								
											Beach volleyball		26 ± 6	88 ± 9	48.1 ± 6.7	20			$35.7 \pm 6.$
Elite	SBx	10 (men)	680.1 ± 76.8	-	-	-	71.6 ± 3.1	68.5 ± 7.4	-	-	Volleyball	43		89 ± 8	44.5 ± 5.8		21 ± 3		$33.0 \pm 4.$
	SBalp	10 (men)	731.9 ± 181.9	_	_	_	73.0 ± 3.7	70.6 ± 7.3	_	_	Handball	83	22 ±4	92 ± 11	42.1 ± 5.4		25 ± 4		$35.5 \pm 4.$
											Ice hockey Soccer		24 ± 4 27 ± 3	86 ± 8 87 ± 11	41.2 ± 5.6 39.9 ± 3.3	29 95			$28.5 \pm 4.$ $31.8 \pm 4.$
											Indoor bandy			72 ± 6	39.9 ± 3.5 39.7 ± 3.5	93 24	24 ± 4 22 ± 3	63 ± 6 64 ± 5	$31.6 \pm 4.$ 28.6 ± 3.
Elite	SBfs	10 (men)	684.6 ± 137.2	-	-	-	-	-	26.8 ± 2.8	-	Bandy			72 ± 0 80 ± 9	39.5 ± 5.0				
	SBx	11 (men)	674.1 ± 78.8	_	-	_	-	_	26.2 ± 2.8	_		15	22 - 5	00 ± 9	57.5 ± 5.0	20	24 1 /	00 ± 0	24.7 ± 4.
	SBalp	12 (men)	754.6 ± 162.1	_	_	_	_	_	27.1 ± 3.4	_	Downhill winter sports Alpine skiing	25	27 ± 3	87 ± 8	44.9 ± 5.5	29	25 ± 2	67 ± 5	36.1 ± 4
	Obap		104.0 ± 102.1						27.1 ± 0.4		Freestyle skiing		27 ± 3 21 ± 3	71 ± 7	44.9 ± 5.3 41.8 ± 7.1		23 ± 3 21 ± 2		30.1 ± 4 32.5 ± 4
data are repo	rted as mean :	± standard deviati	on. SBfs (freestyle), SBx (sno	wboard-cross), SBalp	(alpine).						Skicross	6	21 ± 3 24 ± 3	87 ± 7	41.5 ± 6.1		21 ± 2 24 ± 2		32.3 ± 4 33.3 ± 3
											Snowboard	42		75 ± 10	41.0 ± 5.6	5	21 ± 2 22 ± 2		33.8 ± 3
											Telemark skiing		21 ± 4	81 ± 7	40.9 ± 4.0	8		63 ± 5	28.8 ± 3
											Combat sports								
											Wrestling	30	23 ± 3	80 ± 15	42.0 ± 6.6	12	20 ± 2	66 ± 10	28.2 ± 0
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Metric	Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3	Average
Reactive Strength Index	1.24	1.07	2.07	1.46
Jump Height (cm)	43.2	42.3	44.6	43.37
Contact Time (ms)	0.35	0.4	0.22	0.32

DROP JUMP

Interpretation

- RSI: 1.46 reflects moderate elastic ability.
- Contact Time: 0.32s indicates balanced neuromuscular stiffness.
- Strategy aligns with a reactive jumper
- This aligns with the needs of freestyle snowboarders, where precision, impact absorption, and aerial transition are critical (Gathercole et al., 2015).
- **Training direction**: raise RSI through short-contact plyometric work.

Metric	Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3	Average
Modified Reactive Strength Index	0.43	0.47	0.42	0.44
Countermovement Depth (mm)	-42.5	-40.3	-52.7	-45.17
Jump Height (cm)	36.4	38.2	37.1	37.23
Braking Duration (ms)	400.0	299.0	291.0	330.0
Braking Impulse (N·s)	50.3	84.7	115.7	83.57
Concentric Duration (ms)	310.0	291.0	297.0	299.33
Concentric Impulse (N·s)	240.1	245.9	242.4	242.8
Impulse Ratio (Con / Braking)	4.77	2.9	2.1	3.26
Peak Power per Body Mass (W/kg)	50.9	53.9	50.7	51.83
Landing Asymetry	28% R	22% R	28 % L	

COUNTERMOVEMENT JUMP

Interpretation

- Jump Height: 37.2 cm good vertical output.
- RSI Mod: 0.44 moderate explosiveness; room for improvement.
- Concentric Impulse: 243 N·s vs. Braking Impulse: 83 N·s.
- Impulse Ratio (Con / Brake): ~2.93 concentric-dominant jumper.
- Braking Duration: 0.32 s moderately long, with limited capacity
- Braking Impulse: 83 N·s low relative to concentric impulse (~243 N·s), underutilizing eccentric loading.
- Countermovement Depth: 29 cm deep countermovement strategy.
- Combining deep ROM with low braking impulse suggests mechanical reliance over neuromuscular efficiency.
- Excessive asymmetry post-jump may indicate side dominance, compensation, or incomplete recovery.

Training Considerations:

1. Emphasize eccentric overload and braking force to improve SSC utilization within the available range

2. Include landing mechanics in both bilateral and unilateral formats.



Metric	Rep l	Rep 2	Average
Peak Force	2552.0	2534.0	2543.0
(N)			
Asymmetry	3.0	5.0	4.0
(%)			

ISOMETRIC BACK SQUAT

Interpretation

- Peak Force: 2543 N strong bilateral isometric output.
 - Indicates a solid strength foundation for performance and injury mitigation
- Asymmetry: 4% within healthy range (<10%).
 - Consistently low asymmetry suggests symmetrical neuromuscular control.
 - Important for freestyle snowboarding where uneven terrain and landings challenge bilateral control.
- Supports effective landing and takeoff strength.





Dynamic Strength Index (DSI)

 DSI Calculation: CMJ Peak Force = 2112 N
ISO Back Squat Peak Force = 2543 N
DSI = 2112 / 2543 = 0.83

- Interpretation:
 - A DSI of 0.83 indicates a high dynamic strength index.
 - The athlete is effectively converting maximal strength into explosive performance, which is ideal for the demands of freestyle snowboarding.
 - Training Consideration: Maintenance of strength and improved stiffness may optimize performance further



KEY TAKE AWAY

The athlete demonstrates a force- and control-dominant neuromuscular profile. CMJ results show a concentric impulse of 243 N·s and braking impulse of 83 N·s, indicating a concentric-dominant strategy with an impulse ratio of ~2.93. While the countermovement depth is deep (29 cm), the braking impulse remains low, suggesting a need for improved eccentric utilization



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