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Story Headline: The United States of America's Birk Irving claims Men’s Skiing Freestyle Halfpipe gold at Lillehammer 2016

Event: Lillehammer 2016 Winter Youth Olympic Games
Date: 14 February
Place: Oslo, Norway
SHOT LOG & Transcripts of sound-bytes:

End of one of Birk Irving’s runs in the halfpipe

Spectators clapping

Wide of one of Birk Irving’s runs

Wide of cameraman filming Birk Irving with Birk going through frame

Close up Birk Irving coming out for the medal ceremony

Birk Irving receiving gold medal

Wide of Birk Irving on podium

Close up of Birk Irving on podium during anthems

Wide of podium

Wide of USA flag being raised

Close up of USA flag

Birk Irving on the podium celebrating

SOUNDBYTE: Birk Irving, Skiing Freestyle Halfpipe champion Lillehammer 2016

Question: How does it feel?
Answer: “It’s pretty crazy, I've had a fractured fibula and I’ve skied on that
today and I didn’t really get any training in but luckily today thanks to the P.T (personal trainer) I was able to get everything ready to go so I could ski better.”

Close up of Birk Irving smiling on podium

Close up of Birk Irving

**SOUNDBYTE:** Birk Irving, Skiing Freestyle Halfpipe champion Lillehammer 2016

**Answer:** It’s just a lot of hard work I guess and adrenaline; once I dropped in I couldn’t feel anything, it was all happening.

GV of Oslo Vinterpark Halfpipe

End

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