

POLICY	Governance
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1. DEFINITIONS

In these Criteria, the following words have the following respective meanings:

“Criteria”	means this Selection Criteria Supplement.
“Bylaw”	means the Bylaw adopted by the Board of PA that governs the selection of Athletes to Paddle Australia Teams.
“Under 23 Team”	means an Athlete eligible to compete under ICF Wildwater Rules
“Junior Team”	means an Athlete eligible to compete under ICF Wildwater Rules.
“Team”	means the Australian Wildwater Senior Team to compete at the 2019 ICF Wildwater World Championships and World Cups, for Athletes at least 15 years of age in the 2019 calendar year
“PA”	means Paddle Australia Ltd, the recognised governing body for Canoeing in Australia

Words not defined in these Criteria have the meaning ascribed to them in the [Constitution](#) of PA or the Bylaw unless a contrary meaning appears from the context.

2. SELECTION PROCEDURES

2.1. SELECTION PANEL

In accordance with clause 4.1 of the Bylaw, the Selection Panel members are:

- name / role (chair)
- name / role
- name /role

2.2. ELIGIBILITY

2.2.1. In order to be eligible for selection to the Team, Athletes must comply with the Bylaw, in particular clause 5.

2.2.2. Athletes must provide the information outlined in clause 5.1 to Paddle Australia (PA) by no later than 8th January 2019.

2.3. TEAM NOMINATION

- 2.3.1. The competitions for which an Australian Wildwater Junior and U23 Teams will be selected for in 2019 are:
- a) 2019 ICF Wildwater Junior & Under 23 World Championships to be held in Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina from the 23rd – 28th July 2019;
 - b) other ICF competitions as determined by PA and notified to Athletes prior to the competitions.
- 2.3.2. Athletes are deemed to have nominated for selection to the team if they compete in any of the selection events (**Selection Events**) listed in clause 2.4 of this Criteria.
- 2.3.3. By competing in any of the Selection Events, Athletes:
- 2.3.3.1. agree that they are nominating for selection to the Team;
 - 2.3.3.2. agree to comply with this Criteria; and
 - 2.3.3.3. agree to comply with the Bylaw.

2.4. SELECTION EVENTS

- 2.4.1. The following competitions will be utilised as part of the selection process, for the 2019 Junior and Under 23 World Championship teams there will be:
- a) Selection Event 1, Wildwater Classic Seeding Race, (National Wildwater Championships) Mersey River, Tasmania, 4th January 2019;
 - b) Selection Event 2, Wildwater Classic Race, (National Wildwater Championships) Mersey River, Tasmania, 5th January 2019;
 - c) Selection Event 3, Wildwater Sprint Race Run 1, (National Wildwater Championships) Mersey River, Tasmania, 6th January 2019;
 - d) Selection Event 4, Wildwater Sprint Race Run 2, (National Wildwater Championships) Mersey River, Tasmania, 6th January 2019;
- 2.4.2. If a class is not filled, the following events at the Whitewater Festival will be used as additional selection events:
- a) Selection Event 5, Wildwater Sprint Race Heat Run 2, (Wildwater Grand Prix 1) Penrith Whitewater Stadium, Sydney (14th–17th February 2018 – TBC);
 - b) Selection Event 6, Wildwater Sprint Race Heat Run 2, (Wildwater Grand Prix 2) Penrith Whitewater Stadium, Sydney (21st–24th February 2018 – TBC).
- 2.4.3. Athletes/Crews may compete in one or two classes at each Selection Event.

- 2.4.4. Athletes seeking selection in the Australian Wildwater Junior and Under 23 Team to compete at the World Championships must compete in the Selection Events listed in clause 2.4.1. The events in 2.4.2, will be part of selection as well as (if necessary) if there are unfilled positions from the main selection events listed in 2.4.1.
- 2.4.5. Athletes seeking selection in the Australian Junior and Under 23 Team to compete in Wildwater World Championships, must qualify in classic and sprints selection events.
- 2.4.6. To be selected to the Team to compete at the:
- 2.4.6.1. 2019 ICF Wildwater Junior and Under 23 World Championships athletes must be available to tour with the Team between 13th – 28th July 2019.

2.5. SELECTION CRITERIA

- 2.5.1. The Selection Panel appointed by the Board of PA pursuant to clause 5.1 of the By-Law will, subject to the performance criteria set out in clause 2.5.2 to 2.5.5, select up to four (4) boats in the following classes to the Australian Wildwater Senior World Championships Team for both the Junior age category and Under 23 age category:
- a) Men's K1
 - b) Women's K1
 - c) Men's C1
 - d) Men's C2
 - e) Women's C1
 - f) Women's C2.
- 2.5.2. At the main selection event as per clause 2.4.1, athletes will be ranked in each class according to the lowest average percentage in their best 3 out of 4 Selection Events. Athletes will be selected to the team in order of lowest average percentage ranking, up to the maximum number of athletes to be selected as per 2.5.1
- 2.5.3. In each of the Selection Events each Athlete who finishes the trial shall be awarded a percentage score calculated as a percentage of the fastest Australian time. For example:
- Athlete X with a winning time of 20.00 minutes or 1200 seconds = 100.00%
 - Athlete Y with second fastest time of 20.15 minutes or 1215 seconds = 101.25%
 - Athlete Z with third fastest time of 21.07 minutes or 1267 seconds = 105.58%.

2.5.4. Selection to the Australian Wildwater Senior Team will be determined as per the preceding clauses. Athletes selected under 2.5.3 must meet percentage in 2 races. For an athlete's percentages to count for selection they must be less than the percentages listed below for the relevant classes:

	Junior		Under 23	
	<i>Sprint</i>	<i>Classic</i>	<i>Sprint</i>	<i>Classic</i>
Men's K1	125%	122%	120%	118%
Women's K1	138%	135%	133%	130%
Men's C1	145%	145%	142%	142%
Men's C2	138%	135%	135%	132%
Women's C1	150%	150%	145%	145%
Women's C2	150%	150%	145%	145%

2.5.5. Additional selection

- a) If the Selection Panel does not select the maximum number of ICF quota positions as per clause 2.5.1, a second selection event under clause 2.4.2, will be held to provide an additional opportunity for athletes to meet the selection criteria.
- b) The percentages as per clause 2.5.4 will still stand At the additional selection events as per clause 2.4.2, athletes will be ranked in each class according to the lowest average percentage in their best 3 out of 6 Selection Events.
- c) One of the three results must be from the selection events as outlined clause 2.4.1 that was held at the 2019 Wildwater National Championships in Tasmania.
- d) Athletes will be selected to the team in order of lowest average percentage ranking, up to the maximum number of athletes to be selected as per 2.5.1.

2.5.6. Where two athletes have the same percentage for that class, selection events 2, 3 and 4 as listed in clause 2.4.1 will be priority in selection.

2.5.7. Once a paddler has been selected to a team, their position can't be relinquished to another paddler due to a subsequent performance by another paddler.

2.5.8. The Selection Panel is NOT obliged to select the maximum number of ICF quota positions under this clause 2.5.1.

2.6. SELECTION ANNOUNCEMENT

2.6.1. Announcement of the 2019 Australia Wildwater Junior and Under 23 Team will be made within 1 week of the conclusion of the 2019 Wildwater Grand Prix 2.

2.6.2. Athletes must accept the offer of selection within 5 days of receiving the selection invitation.

2.7. EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES

- 2.7.1. Notwithstanding anything contained within this Criteria, the Chief Executive Officer may recommend to the Selection Panel, and the Selection Panel may make a change to the Athletes selected to the Team for any event due to Extenuating Circumstances preventing an Athlete from otherwise meeting the Selection Criteria.
- 2.7.2. Only Extenuating Circumstances which prevent an athlete from meeting the Selection Criteria will be considered. In considering the performances of athletes at the Selection Trial, the Chief Executive Officer at its absolute discretion, may recommend to the Selection Panel that they give weight to Extenuating Circumstances.
- 2.7.3. For the purposes of this Policy, "Extenuating Circumstances" means:
- 2.7.3.1. injury or illness;
 - 2.7.3.2. equipment failure (where applicable);
 - 2.7.3.3. travel delays;
 - 2.7.3.4. bereavement or disability arising from death or serious illness of an immediate family member;
 - 2.7.3.5. an unanticipated event occurring at the Selection Trial; and/or
 - 2.7.3.6. any other factors reasonably considered by the Chief Executive Officer at its absolute discretion, and recommended to the Selection Panel to constitute Extenuating Circumstances.
- 2.7.4. A decision in each case of Extenuating Circumstances will be made by the Selection Panel on an individual basis.