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1. DEFINITIONS

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

“Bylaw”	means the Selection Procedures Bylaw adopted by the Board of PA that governs the selection of Athletes to Paddle Australia Teams.
“Criteria”	means this Selection Criteria Supplement.
“PA”	Means Paddle Australia Ltd, the recognised governing body for Canoeing in Australia
“International and Olympic Hopes Performance Standard”	means the performance standards used by PA to guide selection decisions to a national team in addition to any other criteria as set out in clause 2.5 of this Criteria.
“Team”	means the Australian Canoe Sprint Olympic Hopes Team to compete at the 2019 Canoe Sprint Olympic Hopes Regatta, for Athletes born between 1 st January 2002 and 31 st December 2004.

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:

- David Foureux / PA National Pathways Lead, Canoe Sprint (Chair)
- Tahnee Norris / PA Program Manager Paracanoe & Pathways Support
- Laura White / PA Canoe Sprint Technical Committee

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 be born between 1st January 2002 and 31st December 2004 to be considered for Under 18 Team selection.

- 2.2.3. For the avoidance of doubt, to be eligible for selection to the Team in a Crew Event, each Athlete in a Crew must meet the eligibility requirements under this clause of this policy.

2.3. TEAM NOMINATION

- 2.3.1. The competitions for which the Team will be selected for in 2019 are:
- a) 2019 Canoe Sprint Olympic Hopes Regatta to be held in Bratislava, Slovakia from the 13th to the 15th September 2019;
 - b) other 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 Selection Event listed in clause 2.4 of this Criteria.
- 2.3.3. By competing in the Selection Event, Athletes:
- (i) agree that they are nominating for selection to the Team;
 - (ii) agree to comply with this Criteria; and
 - (iii) agree to comply with the Bylaw.

2.4. SELECTION EVENT

The following competition will be utilised as part of the selection process:

- (i) **Canoe Sprint National Championships**, Champion Lakes, WA, 6th to the 10th March 2019;

2.5. SELECTION CRITERIA

To gain selection to the Team, the following criteria will apply:

AUTOMATIC SELECTION:

- 2.5.1. Athletes who achieve the following performance criteria in the applicable event at the 2019 Selection Event, will be selected to the Team:

Under 16

- a) The first placed Under 16 Athlete or Crew of the following events will be selected:
 - (i) **U16 MK2 1000**
 - (ii) **U16 MK1 1000**
 - (iii) **U16 MK1 500**
 - (iv) **U16 MK1 200**

- (v) **U16** WK2 500
- (vi) **U16** WK1 500
- (vii) **U16** WK1 200
- b) **U16** WK1 500 second placed athlete, provided that athlete finishes within or equal to the winner's time plus 1.5%

Under 17 (*under 18 events used as selection events in this age category - only results in "A" finals will be considered*)

- a) MK1 1000m: first placed **U17** athlete, provided that athlete finishes within or equal to the event winner's time plus 2%
- b) MK1 500m: first placed **U17** athlete, provided that athlete finishes within or equal to the event winner's time plus 2%
- c) MK1 200m: first placed **U17** athlete, provided that athlete finishes within or equal to the event winner's time plus 2%
- d) WK1 500: first and second placed **U17** athletes, provided those athletes finish within or equal to the event winner's time plus 2%
- e) WK1 200m: first placed **U17** athlete, provided that athlete finishes within or equal to the event winner's time plus 2%

2.5.2. For the avoidance of doubt;

- (i) If an Athlete and/or Crew is selected under more than one item under 2.5.1 no additional Athlete/Crew will be selected under any of those items. To be clear, the selection position does not roll down to the next eligible athlete if an athlete is already selected from an earlier selection criteria.
- (ii) If an Athlete and/or Crew gains selection to the 2019 Junior Team (U18) (according to the 2019 Junior Team Selection Supplement), they will not then also be selected to the Team. Where that athlete would have gained selection under Clause 2.5.1, no additional Athlete/Crew will be selected under any of those clauses. To be clear, the selection position does not roll down to the next eligible athlete.
- (iii) Where an athlete is selected to the Team through meeting selection criteria as per 2.5.1, this **does NOT** necessarily infer the selected athlete will be selected to compete in the same event at the Olympic Hopes Regatta.

DISCRETIONARY SELECTION:

- 2.5.3. For Athletes to be considered for DISCRETIONARY selection in the following events by the Selection Panel to the Team, Athletes/Crew must achieve first (1st) place in the A-Final at the 2019 Selection Event:

- U16 MC1 1000
- U16 MC2 1000
- U16 WC1 200
- U16 WC2 500

2.5.4. The Selection Panel may, subject to clauses 2.5.5. – 2.5.8. (inclusive), and at its absolute discretion, select additional Athletes in any discipline/event not listed in 2.5.3.

2.5.5. The Selection Panel is NOT obliged to select any additional Athletes through the discretionary process.

2.5.6. In exercising its absolute discretion, the Selection Panel:

- a) must take into account the Athlete or Crew's performance against the International and Olympic Hopes (OH) Performance Standards; and
- b) may otherwise and without in any way limiting the discretion of the Selection Panel, the Selection Panel may consider any one, combination, all or none of the following factors (in no specific order of importance or weighting):
 - (i) Individual physical strengths, which may contribute to the performance of the Team.
 - (ii) Performances in major events over the most recent 2 years;
 - (iii) Performances in the most recent domestic season, including GP2 and National Championships;
 - (iv) Performances relative to the International and Olympic Hopes Performance Standards;
 - (v) National Coaches Input
 - (vi) Current Athlete injury/illness or condition which may impair an Athlete's performance;
 - (vii) Relevant factors applicable to competition schedules and team size
 - (viii) Relevant factors applicable to Crew combinations, including but not limited to, technical compatibility, team harmony, crew compatibility, attitude and commitment.

2.5.7. Notwithstanding anything in this Clause 2.5., the Selection Panel MAY apply extenuating circumstances in accordance with Clause 2.9. and select additional Athletes/Crews at its absolute discretion.

2.5.8. All Team members may be required to attend training camps prior to the Olympic Hopes Regatta (location and timing - TBC) to finalise Athlete/Crew nominations for the event.

2.6. INTERNATIONAL AND OLYMPIC HOPES PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

- 2.6.1. The 2019 International and Olympic Hopes Performance Standards are set out in Schedule A of this Criteria and will be applied at the absolute discretion of the Selection Panel.
- 2.6.2. All discretionary selection decisions made by a Selection Panel under this Criteria must take into account each Athlete/Crew's performance relative to the 2019 International and Olympic Hopes Performance Standards, unless extenuating circumstances apply, as per clause 2.9.
- 2.6.3. In taking into account an Athlete or Crew's performance against the 2019 International and Olympic Hopes Performance Standards, the Selection Panel 'may' take into account relevant external factors that may have impacted the Athlete/Crew achieving the necessary Performance Standards (including but not limited to weather conditions (e.g. wind speed/direction and water conditions)).

2.7. SELECTION CONDITIONAL – CONTINUING FORM, FITNESS AND MEDICAL ASSESSMENT

- 2.7.1. All athletes selected to the Team are selected subject to demonstration of continued form, fitness and medical assessment obligations.
- 2.7.2. If extenuating circumstances apply (according to Clause 2.9), then the Athlete may be required to undergo an independent medical and/or a performance assessment. The performance assessment will be at the absolute discretion of the National Performance Director (NPD) and may be a designated race or trial at a time agreed with the NPD.
- 2.7.3. Any athlete selected to the Team who fails to meet the Continuing Form, Fitness and Medical Assessment may at the discretion of the NPD be removed from the Team.

2.8. SELECTION ANNOUNCEMENT

- 2.8.1. Announcement of the Team will be made within 1 week of the Canoe Sprint National Championships.
- 2.8.2. Athletes must accept the offer of selection within 5 days of receiving the selection invitation.

2.9. EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES

- 2.9.1. 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.

- 2.9.2. 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.
- 2.9.3. For the purposes of this Policy, "Extenuating Circumstances" means:
- a) injury or illness;
 - b) equipment failure (where applicable);
 - c) travel delays;
 - d) bereavement or disability arising from death or serious illness of an immediate family member;
 - e) an unanticipated event occurring at the Selection Trial; and/or
 - f) any other factors reasonably considered by the Chief Executive Officer at its absolute discretion and recommended to the Selection Panel to constitute Extenuating Circumstances.
- 2.9.4. A decision in each case of Extenuating Circumstances will be made by the Selection Panel on an individual basis.

SCHEDULE A



PADDLE AUSTRALIA SPRINT CANOE / KAYAK



2019 International and Olympic Hopes (OH) Performance Standards:

(updated September 2018)

Men

	K1 1000	K2 1000	K4 500	C1 1000	C2 1000	K1 200
Snr Men	03:31.57	03:13.88	01:20.97	03:59.01	03:36.32	00:35.13
U23 Men	03:36.62	03:21.52	01:23.00*	04:03.51	03:42.50*	00:37.24
U18 Men	03:41.29	03:24.53	01:25.00*	04:09.82	03:50.00*	00:37.15
U17 OH Men U18 IPS + 2%	03:45.72	03:28.62 time relevant only if all crew members are U17	1:26.70* time relevant only if all crew members are U17	04:14.82	03:54.60* time relevant only if all crew members are U17	00:37.89
U16 OH Men U18 IPS + 6%	03:54.57	03:36.80	1:30.10*	04:24.81	04:03.80*	00:39.38

Women

	K1 500	K2 500	K4 500	C1 200	C2 500	K1 200
Snr Women	01:51.96	01:42.57	01:33.93	00:50.43	02:07.00*	00:40.69
U23 Women	01:57.34	01:48.32	01:36.70	00:53.00*	02:10.00*	00:42.47
U18 Women	02:03.02	01:52.23	01:38.90	00:55.00*	02:13.00*	00:44.16
U17 OH Women U18 IPS + 2%	02:05.48	01:54.47 time relevant only if all crew members are U17	1:40.88 time relevant only if all crew members are U17	00:56.10*	02:15.66* time relevant only if all crew members are U17	00:45.04
U16 OH Women U18 IPS + 6%	02:10.40	01:58.96	1:44.83	00:58.30*	02:20.98*	00:46.81

*Estimated times due to insufficient data