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<b>POLICY</b>	<b>Governance</b>
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AREA:	High Performance
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## 1. DEFINITIONS

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

“Crew”	means, where an Event involves more than one person, the athletes who compete together from time to time and who seek selection for a Team.
“Criteria”	means this Selection Criteria Supplement.
“Event”	means the Discipline, Boat, Gender and Distance (MK2 1000, WC1 200m, etc).
“International and Olympic Hopes Performance Standard”	means the performance standard used by PA to guide selection decisions to a national Team in addition to any other criteria as set out in clause 4 of this Criteria.
“PA”	means Paddle Australia Ltd, the recognised governing body for Canoeing in Australia.
“Policy”	means the Selection Procedures Policy adopted by the Board of PA from time to time that governs the selection of athletes to PA Teams.
“Team”	means the 2020 PA Olympic Hopes Canoe Sprint Team to compete at the 2020 Olympic Hopes Regatta.

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

## 2. SELECTION PROCEDURES

### 2.1 SELECTION PANEL

In accordance with the Policy, the Selection Panel members are:

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

### 2.2 ELIGIBILITY

- 2.2.1. To be eligible for consideration for selection to the Team, athletes must comply with the Policy.
- 2.2.2. Athletes must be born between 1 January 2003 and 31 December 2005 to be eligible for consideration for Team selection.

- 2.2.3. For the avoidance of doubt, to be eligible for consideration for selection to the Team in a Crew Event, each athlete in a Crew must meet the eligibility requirements under this clause of this Criteria.
- 2.2.4. Athletes must have nominated for the Team under clause 2.3 of this Criteria.

### 2.3 TEAM NOMINATION

- 2.3.1. The competitions for which the Team will be selected for in 2020 are:
  - a) 2020 Olympic Hopes Regatta (18-20 September, Szeged, Hungary)
  - b) other ICF competitions as may be determined by PA
- 2.3.2. Athletes will be required to nominate for consideration for selection to the Team. The process of nomination will form part of the entry process for the selection competitions listed in clause 2.4 of this Criteria.
- 2.3.3. By nominating for consideration for selection to the Team, athletes agree to comply with:
  - (i) this Criteria; and
  - (ii) the Policy.

### 2.4 SELECTION COMPETITION

The following competition will be used for considering athletes for selection to the Team:

- (i) Selection Competition 1: **PA Canoe Sprint Championships**, Penrith, NSW (11–15 Mar 2020)

## 3. SELECTION CRITERIA & PROCESS

Athletes will be selected to the Team, as follows:

### 3.1 AUTOMATIC SELECTION

- 3.1.1. Eligible athletes/Crews who achieve the following performance criteria in Selection Competition 1 will be selected to the Team:
  - a) The first placed **Under 16** athlete or Crew in the Events listed in clause 3.1.1 (c) in the U16 Category (“A” finals), and who achieves an U16 Olympic Hopes Performance Standard (OHPS), in that specific Event, under clause 4, will be selected.
  - b) The first placed **Under 17** athlete or Crew in the Events listed in clause 3.1.1 (c) in the U18 Category (“A” finals), and who achieves an U17 Olympic Hopes Performance Standard (OHPS), in that specific Event, under clause 4, will be selected.
  - c) 

MK2 1000	WK2 500
MK1 1000	WK1 500
MK1 500	WK1 200

MK1 200                      WC2 500  
MC2 1000                    WC1 200  
MC1 1000

- d) Providing an athlete/Crew's finishing time in the 'A-Final' is within 3% of the first placed eligible Under 16 athlete/Crew's time, and the first placed eligible Under 16 athlete/Crew has achieved U16 OHPS, in that specific Event, under clause 4, then the following athlete/Crews will be selected:
  - (i) the second placed eligible U16 athlete in the MK1 1000
  - (ii) the second and third placed eligible U16 athletes in the MK1 500
  - (iii) the second and third placed eligible U16 athletes in the WK1 500
  - (iv) the second placed eligible U16 Crew in the WK2 500
- e) Providing an athlete/Crew's finishing time in the 'A-Final' is within 3% of the first placed eligible Under 17 athlete/Crew's time, and the first placed eligible Under 17 athlete/Crew has achieved U17 OHPS, in that specific Event, under clause 4, then the following athlete/Crews will be selected:
  - (i) the second placed eligible U17 athlete in the MK1 1000
  - (ii) the second and third placed eligible U17 athletes in the MK1 500
  - (iii) the second and third placed eligible U17 athletes in the WK1 500
  - (iv) the second placed eligible U17 Crew in the WK2 500
- f) For the avoidance of doubt;
  - (i) If an athlete and/or Crew is selected under more than one of clauses 3.1.1–3.1.2 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 if an athlete is already selected from an earlier selection criteria).
  - (ii) Where an athlete is selected to the Team through meeting selection criteria under clauses 3.1.1 and 3.1.2, this **does NOT** necessarily mean or infer the selected athlete will be selected to compete in the same Event at the Olympic Hopes Regatta. Selection will be made to priority boats first, as determined by the Selection Panel, and then subsequent boat selections will be made after that.

### 3.2 DISCRETIONARY SELECTION:

- 3.2.1. Following the selection of athletes under clause 3.1, the Selection Panel may, subject to clauses 3.2.1–3.2.3 (inclusive), and in its absolute discretion, select additional athletes to the Team.
- 3.2.2. In considering an athlete under clause 3.2, the Selection Panel may consider any one, a combination of, all or none of the following factors (in no specific order of importance or weighting), in its absolute discretion:

- (i) the athlete or Crew's demonstrated ability to achieve an Olympic Hopes Performance Standards (OHPS) for a relevant Event;
  - (ii) relevant factors applicable to Crew combinations, including but not limited to, proven team boat performances, technical compatibility, Crew compatibility, attitude and coachability;
  - (iii) relevant factors applicable to team size, competition schedules and versatility of an athlete to contribute to medal outcomes;
  - (iv) the Athlete's current physical form and fitness;
  - (v) national and international performances over the most recent 12 months; or
- 3.2.3. The Selection Panel is not obliged to select any additional athletes through the discretionary process.
- 3.2.4. In determining whether an athlete has satisfied the criteria set out in clause 3, the Selection panel will not have regard to Extenuating Circumstances.

### 3.3 RESERVES

Reserves may be named at the absolute discretion of the Selection Panel in accordance with clause 3.2.

## 4. INTERNATIONAL AND OLYMPIC HOPES PERFORMANCE STANDARDS (OHPS)

- 4.1 The 2020 IPS/OHPS are listed in Appendix A. Where it is listed in the criteria that there is a requirement for athletes/Crews to demonstrate the ability to achieve an OHPS for a relevant Event, the following criteria will be applied:
- 4.2 Demonstrated ability (to achieve the OHPS) requires an athlete to have either:
- (a) Achieved the necessary OHPS in neutral conditions at one of the following competitions:
    - 2020 PA Canoe Sprint GP2, Penrith NSW, or;
    - 2020 PA Canoe Sprint Championships, Penrith, NSW
  - (b) The assessment of neutral conditions and the final decision of whether any athlete has demonstrated the ability to achieve OHPS is in the absolute discretion of the Selection Panel, based on the influence of external conditions that may either positively or negatively influence the ability of an athlete to achieve the OHPS. Such conditions may include, but not be limited to, wind speed/direction, water temperature, wave size and currents.
  - (c) If, in any of the above listed competitions, there is unfavourable conditions and the Selection Panel requires further evidence of the ability to achieve IPS, they may (but is not obliged to) consider the following:
    - Relevant performance times in relation to the 2020 OHPS from the athlete/Crew in neutral conditions within the past 12months.

- Relative performances against other athletes/Crews who have achieved IPS within the past 12mths.

## **5. CANCELLATION OF A SELECTION COMPETITION:**

- 5.1 Prior to cancellation of any Selection Competition, the competition jury will investigate all opportunities to postpone and/or re-schedule a particular Event for the purpose of allowing the selection process to proceed. If a Selection Competition and/or Event is cancelled for any reason, the following process will apply.
- 5.2 If Selection Competition (under Clause 2.4) is cancelled (in all or any relevant Events), and there is no reasonable opportunity to re-schedule the Event, then the Selection Panel will select the Team at their absolute discretion.

## **6. SELECTION ANNOUNCEMENT**

- 6.1 Announcement of the Team and Reserves will be made within 1 week of the 2020 Paddle Australia Canoe Sprint Championships.
- 6.2 Athletes must accept the offer of selection as outlined in the Policy.

## APPENDIX A

### PADDLE AUSTRALIA SPRINT CANOE / KAYAK

2020 International and Olympic Hopes Performance Standards: (updated September 2019)

	<b>K1 1000</b>	<b>K2 1000</b>	<b>K4 500</b>	<b>K1 500</b>	<b>K1 200</b>	<b>C1 1000</b>	<b>C2 1000</b>
<b>Snr Men</b>	03:30.13	03:14.42	01:20.87	01:39.96	00:34.91	03:57.87	03:34.36
<b>U23 Men</b>	03:38.16	03:23.06	01:23.00*	01:43.00*	00:36.79	04:02.68	03:45.01
<b>U18 men</b>	03:43.39	03:25.81	01:25.00*	01:48.00*	00:37.28	04:11.33	03:53.02
<b>U17 OH Men</b> U18 IPS + 3%	03:50.09	03:31.98#	01:27.55*#	01:51.24*	00:38.40	04:18.87	04:00.01#
<b>U16 OH Men</b> U18 IPS + 6%	03:56.79	03:38.16	01:30.10*	01:54.48*	00:39.52	04:26.41	04:07.00
	<b>K1 500</b>	<b>K2 500</b>	<b>K4 500</b>	<b>K1 200</b>	<b>C1 200</b>	<b>C2 500</b>	
<b>Snr Women</b>	01:53.23	01:41.45	01:33.52	00:40.47	00:48.15	02:02.55	
<b>U23 Women</b>	01:56.74	01:49.66	01:37.69	00:42.97	00:49.78	02:06.59	
<b>U18 Women</b>	02:02.14	01:51.97	01:39.63	00:43.89	00:51.78	02:08.84	
<b>U17 OH Women</b> U18 IPS + 3%	02:05.80	01:55.33 #	01:42.62#	00:45.21	00:53.33	02:12.71#	
<b>U16 OH Women</b> U18 IPS + 6%	02:09.47	01:58.69	01:45.61	00:46.52	00:54.89	02:16.57	

\*Estimated times due to insufficient data

#All Crew members must be U17

03/03/2020: Minor Amendment to Clause 3.1.1 to specify IPS must be achieved in the 'Specific Event'.