

POLICY	Governance
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1. DEFINITIONS

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

“Competitions”	means the following: - 2022 ICF Wildwater Canoeing World Championships to be held in Treignac, France from 2 – 5 June 2022; - 2022 ICF Wildwater Canoeing World Cups 1- 2 to be held in Celje, Slovenia from 9 – 11 June 2022; and - 2022 ICF Wildwater Canoeing World Cups 3 and beyond to be advised.
“Criteria”	means this Selection Criteria Supplement.
“Class(es)”	means Men’s K1; Women’s K1; Men’s C1; Men’s C2; Women’s C1; and Women’s C2.
“PA”	means Paddle Australia Ltd, the recognised governing body for paddling in Australia
“Policy”	means the Selection Procedure Policy adopted by the Board of PA that governs the selection of Athletes to Paddle Australia Teams.
“Selection Competition”	means the 2022 Paddle Australia Wildwater Canoeing Selections at Eildon, Victoria between 7 th and 9 th January 2022.
“Selection Race(s)”	means the race(s) utilised as part of the selection process as specified in section 2.4 of this Criteria.
“Team”	means the 2022 Australian Wildwater Canoeing Senior Team to compete at the 2022 ICF Wildwater Canoeing World Championships and World Cups 1-6, for Athletes at least 15 years of age in the 2022 calendar year (born in or before 2007).
“Team Event”	means two (2) or more boats competing together against other teams.

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 clause 4 of the Policy, the Selection Panel members are:

- Mathew French (Chair)
- Carol Hurst
- Peter Gargiulo

2.2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.2.1. In order to be eligible for selection to the Team, Athletes must comply with the PA Selection Procedures Policy in particular clause 6, Eligibility.
- 2.2.2. Athletes must provide the information outlined in clause 6.1 of the Policy to PA by no later than 8th January 2022.

2.3. TEAM NOMINATION

- 2.3.1. Athletes/Crews who are prepared to travel to the Competitions must nominate for selection, stating their full name and the Class(es) for which they wish to be considered to wildwater@paddle.org.au by 15 December 2021.
- 2.3.2. Athletes/Crews who are prepared to travel to the Competitions must confirm their nomination for selection, stating their full name and the Class(es) for which they wish to be considered to wildwater@paddle.org.au by 31 January 2022.
- 2.3.3. The Team will be selected to compete at the Competitions and any other ICF competitions as determined by PA and notified to Athletes prior to the competitions.
- 2.3.4. By competing in any of the Selection Races, Athletes agree:
- a) to comply with this Criteria; and
 - b) to comply with the Policy.

2.4. SELECTION RACES

- 2.4.1. The following Selection Races, held at the Selection Competition, will be utilised as part of the selection process:
- Selection Race 1, Wildwater Classic Seeding Race
 - Selection Race 2, Wildwater Classic Race
 - Selection Race 3, Wildwater Sprint Race Run 1
 - Selection Race 4, Wildwater Sprint Race Run 2
- 2.4.2. If, after the closing date for nominations in 2.3.1 above, there are more than four (4) nominations in a Class(es) and, due to border restrictions not all crews are able to travel to the Selection Competition without being required to undertake hotel quarantine, selection in the Class(es) concerned will be based on the three (3) flatwater time trials at a PA recognised sprint regatta venue or other specified venue as follows:

- 1 x 3km on an out and back 1.5km course,
 - 2 x 200m sprints in alternate directions.
- 2.4.3. The time trials must be timed using a recognised GPS timing device such as Strava. Photographic evidence is required via a timestamped photo of the person completing all the time trials in an ICF recognised wildwater boat.
- 2.4.4. If the time trials in 2.4.2 and 2.4.3 above are required for any Class(es), selection will be based on the time trial results only. Results achieved at the Selection Competition in the Class(es) concerned will not be considered.
- 2.4.5. The selection nomination, including the time trials in 2.4.2 above, must be completed and relevant evidence provided by 25 January 2022.
- 2.4.6. Athletes/Crews may compete in one or two Classes.

2.5. SELECTION CRITERIA

- 2.5.1. The Selection Panel appointed by the CEO of PA pursuant to clause 4.1 of the Policy will, subject to the criteria set out in this section 2.5, select up to four (4) Athletes/Crews in each Class.
- 2.5.2. In each of the Selection Races, each Athlete/Crew that finishes in a Class shall be awarded a percentage score calculated as a percentage of the winning Men's K1 time set by an Australian. 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%.
- 2.5.3. To be eligible for selection to the Team in a Class, an Athlete/Crew must achieve percentages that are less than the percentage listed below for that Class:

Class	Percentage Performance Standards
Men's K1	110%
Women's K1	123%
Men's C1	128%
Men's C2	123%
Women's C1	132%
Women's C2	138%

- 2.5.4. To be eligible for selection to the Team in a Class, Athletes/Crews must achieve percentages in that Class that are lower than the Percentage Performance Standards specified in clause 2.5.3, in at least three of the four Selection Races listed in 2.4.1.
- 2.5.5. To be eligible for selection to the Team in a Class, athletes/crews must provide video evidence of the athletes/crew undertaking a live roll in a ICF recognised wildwater boat.

This evidence is to be submitted when confirming nomination selection in accordance with clause 2.3.2

- 2.5.6. To be eligible for selection to the Team in a Class, athletes/crews must provide video/photographic evidence of the athletes/crew undertaking training or competing in wildwater environment in a ICF recognised wildwater boat. This is to be submitted when confirming nomination selection in accordance with clause 2.3.2
- 2.5.7. Subject to meeting the requirements of clause 2.5.3 and 2.5.4, Athletes/Crews will be ranked according to the lowest average percentage of their best Classic and best Sprint percentage. Athletes will be selected to the Team in each Class in order of lowest average percentage ranking, up to the maximum number of athletes to be selected as specified in clause 2.5.1.
- 2.5.8. Once an Athlete/Crew has been selected to the Team, their position cannot be relinquished to another Athlete/Crew due to a subsequent performance by another Athlete/Crew.
- 2.5.9. The Selection Panel is NOT obliged to select the maximum number of ICF quota positions under clause 2.5.1.

2.6. TEAM EVENT SELECTION

- 2.6.1. Athletes will be eligible for selection into a Team Event at the Competitions only if they have been selected into the Team.
- 2.6.2. Selection of Athletes into the Team Event of the Competitions will be the fastest three (3) Athletes as determined by the Team Coach, through either:
 - 2.6.2.1. A pre-organised time trial scheduled prior to that Competition; or
 - 2.6.2.2. Official results from the particular Class in that Competition.
- 2.6.3. If an Athlete selected for a Team Event experiences misadventure or the Team Coach deems their capabilities unsuitable for the event, the Team Coach may then replace this Athlete with the fourth fastest Athlete as determined by the process outlined in 2.6.2.
- 2.6.4. If the process outlined in 2.6.2 and 2.6.3 does not result in sufficient Athletes being selected to enter a team in the Team Event, the Team Coach may provide the opportunity to any other eligible Athlete on the Team to take the position in the Team Event if the Team Coach determines it is appropriate.
- 2.6.5. The Team Coach is not obliged to select Athletes for the Team Event if it is deemed unsuitable.

2.7. SELECTION ANNOUNCEMENT

- 2.7.1. Subject to clause 8 of the Policy, announcement of the Team will be made within four (4) weeks of the conclusion of the Selection Competition.

- 2.7.2. Athletes must accept the offer of selection within five (5) days of receiving the selection invitation.
- 2.7.3. If an Athlete/Crew does not accept the offer of selection, the Selection Panel will invite the Athlete/Crew with the next best performance in that Class if they have met the criteria described in clause 2.5