

2016 AUSTRALIAN PARALYMPIC TEAM
Australian Canoeing
NOMINATION CRITERIA
Paracanoeing

These criteria may be amended or supplemented by the Board of AC in its absolute discretion from time to time. AC shall provide as much notice of such change as is possible to all affected Athletes, and others as determined by the Board in accordance with clauses 3.2 and 3.3 of the [Selection Procedures Bylaw \(Attachment 1\)](#).

1 Long List

- (1) Australian Canoeing will choose Athletes from within its sport to be members of the Australian Paralympic Committee (APC) Long List. The APC may also recognise other Athletes from within this sport to be members of the Long List.
- (2) In order to be chosen by Australian Canoeing as a member of the Long List each Athlete must:
 - a) meet the eligibility requirement for the 2016 Rio Paralympic Games, which means an Athlete must be an Australian citizen and have met the requirements of clause 5.2 of the Australian Canoeing Selection Procedures Bylaw (see Attachment 1), including completing the online nomination form for 2016 national senior team selection available on www.teams.canoe.org.au by 5pm on Friday 22nd January 2016;
- (3) Australian Canoeing will publish the Selection Criteria and this Nomination Criteria on the Australian Canoeing website (www.canoe.org.au). The APC Paralympic General Selection Criteria and the Qualification System will be made available on the APC's website (paralympic.org.au).
- (4) Australian Canoeing will advise the APC of the Athletes that it has chosen as members of the Long List at such time as required by the APC.
- (5) If an Athlete breaches the requirements of the Nomination Criteria, the Selection Criteria or the APC Paralympic Team Selection By-Law, Australian Canoeing or APC may suspend or terminate the Athlete's membership of the Long List

2 Nomination of Athletes

For the purposes of nomination to the APC of Athletes for selection to the 2016 Australian Paralympic Team, Australian Canoeing will organise Nomination Trials open to all Athletes, including but not limited to all members of the Long List:

- (1) Only nominate those Athletes that to the satisfaction of Australian Canoeing have competed in one or more events in at least two of the Nomination Trials as follows:
 - a) Trials will be held for the following Paralympic events: KL1 Men, KL2 Men, KL3 Men, KL1 Women, KL2 Women and KL3 Women.
 - i. Nomination Trial 1
Oceania Championships, West Lakes SA, 12-14 February 2016;
 - ii. Nomination Trial 2
National Championships, Champion Lakes WA, 2-6 March 2016; and
 - iii. In the case there are two different winners (highest placed eligible Australians) in an event at Nomination Trial 1 and Nomination Trial 2, Australian Canoeing will coordinate a further Trial (Trial 3) at the National Championships, on the 5-6 March 2016 and the highest ranked of the two winners (highest placed eligible Australian) in that event at Trial 3 will be nominated to the APC.

- b) In the case of 2(1)(a) (iii) above, only the results of the winners (highest placed eligible Australians) of an event in 2(1)(a) at Nomination Trial 1 or Nomination Trial 2 will be considered in Nomination Trial 3.
 - c) In the case that the winner (highest placed eligible Australian) of either Nomination Trial 1 or Nomination Trial 2 is unable to compete in, or withdraws from Nomination Trial 3, the next highest ranked Athlete in the respective Trial will be eligible to compete in Nomination Trial 3.
 - d) In the case of 2(1)(c) above, if the next highest ranked Athlete in the respective Trial is the same Athlete that has won either Nomination Trial 1 or Nomination Trial 2, Australian Canoeing will nominate that Athlete to the APC, as per clause 2(2)(a) below.
- (2) Only nominate Athletes that, according to the total number of Athlete quota places awarded to Australia by the ICF in accordance with the Qualification System (a copy of which is attached at Attachment 2) have met the additional criteria at the Nomination Trials as follows:
- a) Australian Canoeing will first nominate to the APC the winners of two of the Nomination Trials in the respective events in which Australia qualified Athlete quotas at the 2015 World Championships and Olympic Qualification Event (KL2 Men, KL2 Women, KL3 Women)
 - b) Australian Canoeing will then nominate Athletes to the APC who win two of the Nomination Trials and qualify Athlete quotas in their respective events at the 2016 Paracanoe World Championships and Paralympic Qualification Event in Duisburg Germany, 19-21 May, 2016
- (3) Only nominate Athletes that are, or are recognised by the APC as, members of the Long List;
- (4) Only nominate those Athletes it honestly believes have met the requirements described in the Selection Criteria;
- (5) Only nominate those Athletes that have signed the Athlete Nomination Form as issued by the APC from time to time;
- (6) Only nominate Athletes that have an international classification, with a Confirmed sport class status, or a Review sport class status with a review date after 31 December 2016;
- (7) Not nominate more Athletes (including reserves) than the maximum number permitted under the Qualification System; and
- (8) Not nominate Athletes that have breached the APC Anti-Doping By-Law unless the Athlete has already been sanctioned for the breach and has completed the sanction imposed.

3 Replacement of Athletes

- (1) Subject to the limitations imposed by the Rio Organising Committee for the Paralympic Games and entry restrictions, if an Athlete is nominated and selected to compete in an individual event, and subsequently withdraws or is unable to compete due to injury or illness, a replacement Athlete will be nominated to the APC as follows:
- a) Australian Canoeing will nominate the winner (highest placed eligible Australian) at either Trial 1 or Trial 2 in the specific event in which a Replacement Athlete is sought..
 - b) In the case 3 (1) (a) does not apply, Australian Canoeing will nominate the next highest ranked Athlete in that event at either Nomination Trial 1 or Nomination Trial 2.
 - c) Where a choice must be made between two Athletes under 3(1)(b) Australian Canoeing will nominate the Athlete with the highest ranking in that event at Nomination Trial 2.
 - d) In case 3(1)(a) does not apply, the second placed Athlete from either Trial 1 or Trial 2 with the lowest % time behind the winner (highest placed eligible Australian) of that Trial will be the nominated Athlete.

- (2) If the Australian Canoeing Selection Panel determines that an Athlete that has been nominated to and selected by the APC should be replaced:
- a) Australian Canoeing will recommend to the APC that the Athlete should be replaced; and
 - b) should the APC (or during the period of the 2016 Paralympic Games, the Chef de Mission of the 2016 Australian Paralympic Team) determine that the selected Athlete should be replaced; then
 - c) Australian Canoeing may nominate a replacement Athlete for selection by the APC (in accordance with this Nomination Criteria); and
 - d) the APC (or during the period of the 2016 Paralympic Games, the Chef de Mission of the 2016 Australian Paralympic Team), may in its (or his) absolute discretion select that nominated replacement Athlete. In exercising its discretion, the APC will be subject to any conditions that apply in relation to entries for the 2016 Paralympic Games.

4 Extenuating Circumstances

For the purposes of determining whether an Athlete has met the requirements of this Nomination Criteria, the Australian Canoeing Selection Panel will not have regard to any extenuating circumstances.

5 Making of Nominations

Subject to the receipt by Australian Canoeing of the confirmation of Athlete quotas for the 2016 Paralympic Games from the International Canoe Federation, and subject to any pending appeal received by Australian Canoeing under the Selection Procedures Bylaw, nominations by Australian Canoeing will be made within 5 working days of the completion of the Nomination Trials (Friday 11th March, 2016), or within 5 working days of the completion of the Paracanoe world championship and Paralympic qualification event for events in which Australia is yet to qualify Paralympic quotas places (Thursday 26th May, 2016) and, in any case, must be received by the APC by 5pm AEST on Tuesday 2nd August. Nominations made after this deadline (or within such further deadline as the APC may allow) will be invalid unless made under a direction or award in respect of an appeal against non-nomination to the Australian Canoeing Appeals Tribunal or the Court of Arbitration for Sport under the APC's Paralympic General Selection Criteria and which appeal had been commenced prior to the deadline for receipt of nominations by the APC.

The 5pm AEST on Tuesday 2nd August deadline for the making of nominations by Australian Canoeing applies irrespective of any deadline prescribed under the Qualification System or by the Organising Committee for the 2016 Paralympic Games.

6 Amendments to Nomination Criteria

This Nomination Criteria may be amended by Australian Canoeing. Any amended Nomination Criteria will be distributed by Australian Canoeing via the Australian Canoeing website www.canoe.org.au.

7 Interpretation

- (1) Words used in this Nomination Criteria have the same meaning ascribed to them in the APC's Paralympic General Selection Criteria unless a contrary meaning appears from the context.

(2) In this Nomination Criteria the following words and phrases have the following meanings:

- a) **“Selection Procedures Bylaw”** Means the Bylaw adopted by the Board of Australian Canoeing that governs the selection of Athletes to Australian Canoeing Teams a copy of which is at Attachment 1.
- b) **“events”** Means the 6 Paracanoe events to be conducted at the Rio 2016 Paralympic Games.
- c) **“Australian Canoeing Selection Panel”** Means the persons appointed from time to time by Australian Canoeing to conduct the selection of Athletes currently comprising:
 - Richard Fox - National Performance Director (Chair)
 - Christine Bain – Australian Canoeing Team Manager
 - Glenn Pyne – Australian Canoeing Elite Development Coordinator
 - Jim Murphy – Australian Canoeing Technical Committee nominee
- (d) **“Qualification System”**: means the 2016 ICF Qualification System issued and approved by the IPC.

8 Law

This document is governed by the laws applicable in the State of New South Wales.

Attachment 1

AUSTRALIAN CANOEING SELECTION PROCEDURES BYLAW

Published on the Australian Canoeing website [here](#), or on www.canoe.org.au under About Us / Publications / Documents, Policies and Bylaws / Rules and Bylaws

Attachment 2

ICF QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

Published on the ICF website [here](#), or www.canoeicf.com under Paracanoe/Paralympics / Qualification Criteria