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# Australian Canoeing Limited Selection Criteria Supplement



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## 2017 Canoe Slalom Junior Team

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## 1. DEFINITIONS

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

<b>“ Criteria”</b>	means this Selection Criteria Supplement.
<b>“ Selection Procedures Bylaw”</b>	means the Bylaw adopted by the Board of AC that governs the selection of Athletes to Australian Canoeing Teams.
<b>“Event”</b>	means K1 Men, C1 Men, C2 Men, K1 Women and C1 Women.
<b>“Performance Standard”</b>	means the National or International performance standard required by AC for selection to a national team in addition to any other criteria.
<b>“Team”</b>	means the Australian Junior Canoe Slalom Team to compete at the designated competitions in 2017, for Athletes born between 1999 and 2002 inclusive.

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

## 2. SELECTION PROCEDURES

### 2.1. SELECTION PANEL

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

- Mike Druce / AC Head Coach (chair)
- Sue Natoli / Technical Committee Member
- Alistair Anderson / Former Athlete/Development Coach

### 2.2. ELIGIBILITY

2.2.1. Athletes must comply with the Bylaw, in particular clause 5.

2.2.2. Athletes must provide the information outlined in clause 5.1 to AC by no later than Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

2.2.3. To be eligible for selection to the Canoe Slalom Junior Team, Athletes must be at least 15 years old in 2017.

## 2.3. SQUAD/TEAM NOMINATION

2.3.1. The competitions for which an Australian Canoe Slalom Junior Team will be selected for in 2017 are:

- (a) 2017 ICF Canoe Slalom Junior World Championships
- (b) Other ICF competitions as determined by AC and notified to Athletes prior to the competitions.

2.3.2. To nominate for the team Athletes must:

- a) log into the AC database via [teams.canoe.org.au](http://teams.canoe.org.au) using their AC membership details;
- b) nominate as an Athlete to the relevant team and categories, filling out all required information to the best of their knowledge; and
- c) pay the \$70 nomination fee prior to the start of selection events.

2.3.3. The closing date for receiving nominations for selection to the Australian Canoe Slalom Junior Team is Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

2.3.4. A list of nominations will be published via [teams.canoe.org.au](http://teams.canoe.org.au)

## 2.4. SELECTION TRIALS

2.4.1. The following competitions are the Selection Trials:

- a) Selection Trial 1, Australian National Age Group Championships, Penrith NSW 11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> January 2017
- b) Selection Trial 2, A Final or B Final National Championships, Penrith NSW 11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> January 2017
- c) Selection Trial 3, First Run of Qualification Heats, Australian Open, Penrith NSW 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> February 2017
- d) Selection Trial 4, Semi Final/Invitational and Final, Australian Open, Penrith NSW 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> February 2017.

2.4.2. Subject to clause 2.7, Athletes/Crews seeking selection for the Team must compete in three of the four specified Selection Trials in clause 2.4.1.

2.4.3. The result for Selection Trial 1, National Age Group Championships, Penrith NSW 11<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> January 2017 will be determined by an Athlete's score in the National Age Group Championships.

2.4.4. The result for Selection Trial 2, National Championships, Penrith NSW 11<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> January 2017 will be determined by an Athlete's score in the A Final or B Final following the National Championships.

2.4.5. The result for Selection Trial 3, Australian Open 17th-19th February 2017, will be determined by an Athlete's score in the Heats phase of the Australian Open.

2.4.6. The result for Selection Trial 4, Australian Open 17th-19<sup>th</sup> February 2017, will be determined by an Athlete's score in the Semi-Final/Invitational or Final phase of the Australian Open.

2.4.7. Athletes who do not participate in Selection Trial 2, or who do not qualify for the A or B Finals at the National Championships or Semi Final at the 2017 Australian Open, will compete in an Invitation Race on the Semi Final/Final course at the National Championships or Australian Open and their progression and score in that race will be measured against the score of eligible athletes in the Semi Final or Final of the National Championships or Australian Open for selection ranking points only.

2.4.8. Selection Trials will be run according to ICF rules effective at the time of the competitions, or where modified by Australian Canoeing.

## 2.5. SELECTION CRITERIA

2.5.1. The Selection Panel appointed by the Board of AC under clause 4.1 of the Selection Procedures Bylaw will, subject to these selection criteria and in particular the National Performance Standard set out in clause 2.6 select Athletes/Crews in each Event as follows:

- a) Up to three (3) Athletes/Crews in each Event to compete in the 2017 ICF Canoe Slalom Junior World Championship.

2.5.2. Subject to clause 2.5.1 above, selection to the Team will be based on those Athletes/Crews with the lowest number of ranking points in an Event following the Selection Trials.

2.5.3. For the purposes of ranking Athletes/Crews by points, in each Selection Trial the following ranking points will be awarded for the Athlete/Crew's placing.

Place	Points	Place	Points	Place	Points
1	0	8	8	15	15
2	2	9	9	16	16
3	3	10	10	17	17
4	4	11	11	18	18
5	5	12	12	19	19
6	6	13	13	20	20
7	7	14	14	21	21 etc

Where an Athlete/Crew starts, but doesn't finish they will be recorded as a "did not finish (DNF)" and will be awarded 999 points for that Selection Trial.

- 2.5.4. The points allocated to the Athlete/Crew for each Selection Trial shall be added together to give a total point score, except where an Athlete/Crew competes in all 4 Selection Trials in which case only the lowest 3 scores will be added together to achieve a total point score.
- 2.5.5. Where two or more Athletes/Crews have the same total ranking point score (as calculated under clauses 2.5.2 to 2.5.4) the Athlete/Crews who have the lowest single ranking points score at one of the Selection Trials shall be ranked higher.
- 2.5.6. Where two or more Athletes/Crews are ranked equally after consideration of clause 2.5.5 the Athlete/Crew who has on average the lowest percentage score behind the Base Score at the three Selection Trials used to calculate the total ranking point's score under clause 2.5.4, shall be ranked higher.
- 2.5.7. Only the results of Athletes/Crews who are eligible for selection to the Junior Team under clause 5.1 of the Selection Procedures Bylaw will be used for the purpose of calculating selection rankings.
- 2.5.8. Where an Athlete/Crew has been selected to the Team and subsequently withdraws from or is unable to take part in a competition listed in 2.3.1 due to injury or illness, the Selection Panel may select the next highest ranked Athlete/Crew following the Selection Trials as a replacement.
- 2.5.9. Athletes/Crews who meet the National Performance Standard under clause 2.6 are eligible for consideration as replacement Athletes.
- 2.5.10. In considering whether to select a replacement Athlete under Clause 2.5.8 and 2.5.9, the Selection Panel may give weight to one or more of the following factors on a case by case basis:
- a) The ranking and performance of Athletes/Crews at the Selection Trials;
  - b) Ability of the Athlete to train and compete at the required level and to participate in the Team preparation program and a World Championship, as determined by the Selection Panel its it's sole discretion;
  - c) The opportunity to expose emerging Athletes to high quality international competition; and
  - d) Any other factors considered relevant in the circumstances
- 2.5.11. Where less than three Athletes/Crews have been selected in an Event to compete at one of the competitions in 2.3.1, the Selection Panel, in its sole discretion, may select one or more

Athletes/Crews in that Event subject to an Athlete/Crew meeting the National Performance Standard in a different Event at the Selection Trials and/or by demonstrating a suitable performance standard at the Selection Trials, at a subsequent training camp, or at a competition determined by the Selection Panel prior to the competition listed in 2.3.1. In considering a suitable performance standard, the Selection Panel may give weight to one or more of the following factors:

- (a) Ability of the Athlete to train and compete at the required level and to participate in a national Junior team preparation program and a World Championship, as determined by the Selection Panel its it's sole discretion;
- (b) Gender balance, the balance of Canoe Kayak athletes and the potential for development and future national Team performance in an Event as determined by the Selection Panel in its sole discretion; and
- (c) Any other factors the Selection Panel considers relevant in the circumstances

2.5.12. Notwithstanding selection to the Team, the Selection Panel will not select an Athlete/Crew to compete in two or more Events at one of the competitions listed in 2.3.1, unless, in its sole discretion, and on a case by case basis, it considers that the Athlete/Crew has sufficient skill, fitness and experience to perform in more than one Event.

## 2.6. PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

2.6.1. At the conclusion of each Selection Trial the Selection Panel will publish a Base Score from which the National Performance Standard shall be calculated for each Event.

2.6.2. The Base Score at each Selection Trial is calculated as the average of the lowest total score recorded by any Australian Athlete in any age category in C1 Men, C1 Women, K1 Men and K1 Women.

2.6.3. A base score is only calculated from the Heats phase run 1 and from the Semi Final run at each Selection Trial.

2.6.4. Notwithstanding rankings, and subject to clause 2.7, selection to the Team for specific competitions listed in 2.3.1 is dependent on the Athlete/Crew meeting the specific National Performance Standard in at least two of the Selection Trials either on the Heats 1<sup>st</sup> run or in the Semi Final or Final phase.

2.6.5. The National Performance Standard for selection to the Team in each Event is calculated from a percentage of the Base Score (average of all the best Australian scores in any age category in C1M, C1W, K1M, K1W) at each phase (first heat run or final at the National Championships or Australian Open) as follows:

<b>Event</b>	<b>Junior Team Performance Standard</b>
K1 Men	Less than 115% of the Base Score
K1 Women	Less than 138% of the Base Score
C1 Men	Less than 133% of the Base Score
C2 Men	Less than 138% of the Base Score
C1 Women	Less than 173% of the Base Score

Example:

The Base Score is calculated by adding the winning score (best Australian) in C1M, C1W, K1M, K1W and dividing by 4. The percentage score for an Athlete/Crew at a Selection Trial is calculated by dividing the total score for that Athlete/Crew by the Base Score and multiplying by 100. For example, the Base Score at Selection Trial 1 is 184.55 and Athlete A has a score of 195.44 the percentage score is calculated as follows:

$$(195.44 / 184.55) \times 100 = 105.90\%$$

## 2.7. EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES

2.7.1. For the purpose of this clause 2.7, “extenuating circumstances” means an inability to compete, attend training camps or perform at an optimum level arising from, but not limited to:

- a) injury or illness;
- b) bereavement; or
- c) any other factors reasonably considered by the Selection Panel to constitute extenuating circumstances.

2.7.2. In considering the performances of Athletes/Crew at the Selection Trials the Selection Panel may in its discretion give weight to extenuating circumstances and determine whether under normal circumstances an Athlete would have a high probability of meeting the criteria under this clause 5. The Selection Panel may in its absolute discretion determine not consider extenuating circumstances in relation to any Athlete.

2.7.3. Athletes unable to compete at any one or more of the Selection Trials required under these Criteria must advise the CEO of Australian Canoeing in writing of this fact via email to [greg.doyle@canoe.org.au](mailto:greg.doyle@canoe.org.au) with a copy to the National Performance Director via email to [richard.fox@canoe.org.au](mailto:richard.fox@canoe.org.au) and the reasons before the commencement of the first day of



competition of the Selection Trial(s) in which the Athlete considers that they are unable to compete.

2.7.4. In the case of injury, athletes will be required to undergo a medical examination by a doctor or doctors nominated by Australian Canoeing.

2.7.5. A decision in each case of extenuating circumstances will be made by the Selection Panel on an individual basis.