
Australian Canoeing Limited Selection Criteria Supplement



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1. DEFINITIONS

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

“ Criteria”	means this Selection Criteria Supplement.
“ Selection Procedures Bylaw”	means the Bylaw adopted by the Board of AC that governs the selection of Athletes to Australian Canoeing Teams.
“Event”	means K1 Men, C1 Men, C2 Men, K1 Women and C1 Women.
“Performance Standard”	means the National or International performance standard required by AC for selection to a national team in addition to any other criteria.
“NTS”	means the National Training Squad 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

2.2. ELIGIBILITY

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

2.2.2. Athletes must provide the information outlined in clause 5.1 in the Selection Procedures Bylaw to AC by no later than Friday 23rd December 2016.

2.3. SQUAD/TEAM NOMINATION

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

- (a) International Tour to New Zealand (dates and location to be confirmed)
- (b) National Talent Development Camps in 2017

2.3.2. To nominate for the team Athletes must:

- a) log into the AC database via 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 NTS is Friday 23rd December 2016.

2.3.4. A list of nominations will be published via teams.canoe.org.au

2.4. SELECTION EVENTS/TRIALS

2.4.1. The following competitions are the Selection Trials:

- a) Selection Trial 1, Australian National Schools Championships, Glenbawn Dam NSW 2nd – 6th January 2017
- b) Selection Trial 2, Australian National Age Group Championships, Penrith NSW 11th – 15th January 2017

2.4.2. Athletes seeking selection to the NTS must compete in at least one of the Selection Trials in clause 2.4.1.

2.4.3. Athletes may compete in more than one Event at each Selection Trial.

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 performance criteria set out in clauses 2.5.2. select Athletes/Crews in each Event as follows:

- a) Athletes selected to the NTS and to the International Tour at the discretion of the Selection Panel based on a combination of the Athletes' absolute ranking in on or more of the Selection Trials, their age group ranking and their suitability for participation in the

NTS activities and International Tour, as determined by the Australian Canoeing Selection Panel in its sole discretion.

- 2.5.2. Notwithstanding placing, selection to the NTS activities is dependent upon the Athlete demonstrating a suitable performance standard at the Selection Trials as determined by the Selection Panel in its sole discretion. In considering a suitable performance standard, the Selection Panel may give weight to one or more of the following factors:
- a) Age group rankings at the Selection Trials
 - b) Demonstrated individual improvement
 - c) The ability of the Athlete to train and compete on challenging whitewater and to participate in a national development program as determined by the Selection Panel in its sole discretion
 - d) Any other factors the Selection Panel in its sole discretion consider relevant in the circumstances.
- 2.5.3. The National Head Coach or designated NTS Coach may invite additional Athlete/Crews to participate in designated NTS activities in 2016.
- 2.5.4. Where an Athlete has been selected to the NTS and an Athlete withdraws from or is unable to attend a training camp or designated NTS competition, or fails to maintain a suitable standard of commitment and performance as determined by the Selection Panel, in its sole discretion the Selection Panel may remove that Athlete from the NTS and may select an Athlete as a replacement.

2.6. EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES

- 2.6.1. 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.
- 2.6.2. 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.

- 2.6.3. 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 with a copy to the National Performance Director via email to 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.
- 2.6.4. In the case of injury, athletes will be required to undergo a medical examination by a doctor or doctors nominated by Australian Canoeing.
- 2.6.5. A decision in each case of extenuating circumstances will be made by the Selection Panel on an individual basis.