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# Australian Canoeing Inc. Selection Criteria Update



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## 2015 Canoe Sprint Paracanoe Team

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This Supplement is to be read in conjunction with the 2015 Senior Team Selection Criteria and [Selection Procedures Bylaw](#). The update is provided in the context of the ICF ruling to allow additional entries in each Paracanoe category at the 2015 ICF World Championship.

## 1. COMPETITIONS

1.1 The competitions for which additional Australian Canoe Sprint Paracanoe athletes will be selected for in 2015 in order of priority will be:

- (a) **ICF World Championships, Milan ITA 19-23 August 2015 (*self-funded tour*)**
- (b) Oceania Paracanoe Championships, Varsity Lakes June 2015 (TBC)
- (c) National Preparation Camps and other events as determined by Australian Canoeing

## 2. SELECTION CRITERIA

2.1 The closing date for receiving additional nominations for selection, as set out in clause 5.2 of the AC [Selection Procedures Bylaw](#), is **8 May 2015**.

2.2 Athletes that have previously nominated for the 2015 National team, are not required to nominate again.

2.3 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 reasonably practicable to all affected Athletes, [Member State Associations](#) and others as determined by the Board in accordance with clauses 3.2 and 3.3 of the [Selection Procedures Bylaw](#).

## 3. DEFINITIONS

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

<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>“Team”</b>	Means the Australian Canoe Sprint Paracanoe Team to compete at the designated events in 2015.

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.

## 4. SELECTION TRIALS

4.1 The following competition will be used as a Selection Trial 3 to select the additional allocated athlete quotas, for the Events contained in these criteria:

- (a) Selection Trial 3 is the Paracanoe Selection Trial at Lake Orr, Varsity Lake QLD, 9<sup>th</sup> May 2015.
- (b) Athletes must compete in specific events at the Selection Trial as required by these criteria to be eligible for selection to the Team.

## 5. ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION CRITERIA PARACANOE KAYAK LTA & TA EVENTS

5.1 The following competition is the Selection Trial 3 for the Paracanoe Team:

- (a) Selection Trial 3 is the Paracanoe Oceania Championships at Lake Orr, Varsity Lake QLD, 9<sup>th</sup> May 2015.
- 5.2 Subject to demonstrating at the Selection Trials 1,2 or 3 the potential to meet ICF Qualification standard for the 2016 Rio Paralympic Games or the potential to achieve a world championship final in a non Paralympic event, the following additional Athletes will be selected to the Team:
- (a) 1 Athlete in each men's and women's Paracanoe events: **KL1 (A) KL2 (TA)** and **KL3 (LTA)** to compete at the 2015 ICF World Championships
- 5.3 Athletes must compete in the **K1 A, K1 TA K1 LTA** Events in Selection Trial 3 to be considered for selection to the Team.
- 5.4 Athletes must have competed in Selection Trial 1 and/or Selection Trial 2 to be eligible to compete in Selection Trial 3.
- 5.5 Subject to clauses 7.1 and 7.2, the following Athletes will be selected to the Team:
- (a) The winner of the Men's K1 KL2 (TA) event at Selection Trail 3 will be selected to the Team.
- (b) The winner of the Men's K1 KL3 (LTA) event at Selection Trial 3 will be selected to the Team.
- (c) The winner of the Women's K1 KL2 (TA) event at Selection Trial 3 will be selected to the Team.
- (d) The winner of the Women's K1 KL3 (LTA) event at Selection Trial 3 will be selected to the Team.
- 5.6 Where the winner of an event listed at clause 5.4 is already selected to the 2015 Paracanoe national team, the next best ranked athlete in that event, will be selected to the team.
- 5.7 Athletes must meet current AC and ICF classification eligibility criteria for their event at the time of the Selection Trial to be eligible for selection to the Team.
- 5.8 Athletes must meet the respective ICF classification eligibility criteria to be eligible to compete at ICF events.
- 5.9 To be eligible to compete at the 2016 Rio Paralympics, athletes must compete at the 2015 and/or 2016 World Championships and be internationally classified with a 'Confirmed' sport class status or a 'Review' sport class status with a review date after 31 December 2016.

## 6. ICF CLASSIFICATION

- 6.1 ICF Classification will now be conducted at Lake Orr, preceding the Oceania Paracanoe Championships in June 2015.
- 6.2 Further information regarding the rescheduled ICF classification dates will be published/circulated soon.

## 7. PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

- 7.1 Performance Standard Calculation: At the conclusion of Selection Trial 3 the Selection Panel will publish a Base Time Performance for each event at the Selection Trial. The Base Time Performance is the time of the fastest Australian Athlete or Crew in the final of that event. The Base Time Performance may be used by the Selection Panel in its sole discretion to help determine the performance standard of Athletes at the Selection Trials in addition to their ranking in specific events.

A percentage of the Base Time Performance for each Athlete/Crew will be calculated as follows:

## EXAMPLE

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Percentage of Base Time Performance is the Athlete's time divided by the Base Time performance.

e.g. if an Athlete's time in an event is 1:50.495 and the Base Time is 1:40.45 the percentage of Athlete's time relative to the Base Time is calculated as follows:

$$(110.495/100.45) \times 100 = 110.00\%$$

The percentage behind the Base Time Performance is then calculated accordingly:

$$110.00\% - 100 = 10.00\%$$

7.2 Notwithstanding rankings at the Selection Trial, selection to the Team is dependent on an Athlete demonstrating a suitable performance standard at the Selection Trials or in recent international competitions, as determined by the Selection Panel in its sole discretion. In determining a suitable international performance standard for Athletes/Crews, the Selection Panel, in its sole discretion, may give weight to one or more of the following criteria:

- (a) the performance of an Athlete at the 2015 Selection Trials or in recent international competitions relative to the approximate time required in fair conditions to qualify for an A final at a senior world championships in a crew event or a B final in an individual event;
- (b) an Athlete/Crew's time relative to the winner in an event as measured by the Base Time Performance;
- (c) wind or other climatic factors; and
- (d) any other factors the Selection Panel, in its sole discretion, considers relevant in the circumstances.

7.3 Subject to 7.2, where an Athlete has been selected to the Senior Team and withdraws from the Team or is unable to compete at a competition in 1.1, the Selection Panel, in its sole discretion, may select the next highest ranked Athlete following the Selection Trials to the Team, subject to entry deadlines imposed for that competition.

7.4 If an Athlete/Crew is selected to an event and subsequently withdraws from that event, or fails to maintain a suitable international performance standard for that event, or adversely affects the performance of a Crew, as determined by the Selection Panel in its sole discretion, the Selection Panel may remove that Athlete/Crew from the Team or event and may select as a replacement the next highest ranked Athlete following the Selection Trials or an Athlete/Crew from within the members of the Team.

7.5 Notwithstanding selection to the Team, the Selection Panel will not select an Athlete/Crew to compete in multiple events unless, in its sole discretion, it considers that the Athlete/Crew has sufficient skill, fitness and experience to perform at the highest international level in more than one event.

## 8. EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES

8.1 For the purposes of determining whether an Athlete has met the requirements of this Selection Criteria Supplement AC will not have regard to any extenuating circumstances.