

POLICY	Governance
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1. DEFINITIONS

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

“Criteria”	means this Selection Criteria Supplement.
“Bylaw”	means the Selection Procedure Bylaw adopted by the Board of PA that governs the selection of Athletes to PA Teams.
“Competition”	means the 2019 Canoe Polo Oceania Championships to be held in Penrith, Australia from 25 th – 27 th April 2019.
“Selection Event(s)”	means the Event(s) utilised as part of the selection process as specified at in clause 2.4 of the criteria.
“Squad”	means the National Squad selected as part of clause 2.6 of the criteria.
“Teams”	means the Australian Canoe Polo Teams to compete at the 2019 Canoe Polo Oceania Championships.
“PA”	means Paddle Australia Ltd, the recognised governing body for Canoeing in Australia

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

2. SELECTION PROCEDURES

2.1. SELECTION PANEL

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

- John Moore (Chair)
- Matthew Moore (selector)
- Rebecca Jennings (selector)
- Donald Leigh (selector)

2.2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.2.1. In order to be eligible for selection to the Team, Athletes must comply with the Bylaw, in particular clause 5.
- 2.2.2. Athletes must provide the information outlined in clause 5.1 to PA by no later than 15 February 2019.

2.3. TEAM NOMINATION

- 2.3.1. The Team will be selected to compete at the Competition and any other ICF competitions as determined by PA and notified to Athletes prior to the competitions.

2.4. SELECTION EVENTS

- 2.4.1. The following Selection Events will be utilised as part of the selection process, for the Team will be::

- a) Selection Event 1, Summer Series Event 1, Penrith, New South Wales, 1st – 2nd December 2018;
- b) Selection Event 2, Training Camp, Mawson Lakes, Adelaide, South Australia, 22nd – 24th January 2019;
- c) Selection Event 3, Summer Series Event 2, Mawson Lakes, Adelaide, South Australia, 26th – 27th January 2019;
- d) Selection Event 4, Summer Series Event 3, Nagambie, Victoria, 23rd – 24th February 2019;

- 2.4.2. Athletes seeking selection in the Team to compete at the Competition must compete in at least two events listed in clause 2.4.1

2.5. SELECTION CRITERIA

- 2.5.1. The Selection Panel appointed by the Board of PA pursuant to clause 5.1 of the By-Law will, in their sole discretion, select athletes to the national squad or Australian teams in accordance with the following criteria:

- a) Athletes' individual performances at:
 - selection events
 - training camps
 - other competitions where athletes have participated.
- b) Overall playing ability including individual skills
- c) Tactical play
- d) Fitness level
- e) Consistency of play
- f) Knowledge of rules
- g) Team orientation
- h) Ability to cooperate with team members and officials.
- i) A demonstrated level of commitment both at training camps, in local training sessions and at competitions.
- j) Adherence to national squad training protocols and attendance and performance in national squad programs and camps.
- k) Any other matter deemed relevant by the selection panel.

2.6. SELECTION CRITERIA - NATIONAL SQUAD

- 2.6.1. The Selection Panel appointed by the Board of PA pursuant to clause 5.1 of the By-Law will, subject to the performance criteria set out in clause 2.5., will select a national squad consisting of not less than five (5) nor more than twenty (20) athletes in each of the following classes for both men and women:
- a) Senior
 - b) Under 21
 - c) Under 18
 - d) Over 30
 - e) Over 45
- 2.6.2. The Squad will consist only of athletes who, in the sole discretion of the selection panel, have the potential to be selected for the Team.
- 2.6.3. Athletes must reach a minimum standard to be selected into the Squad to enable the Squad to train and practice at the appropriate level.
- 2.6.4. The selection panel may at any stage in the selection process select an athlete into the Squad if in their opinion they are of a suitable standard and they will strengthen the Team.
- 2.6.5. The selection panel may at any stage may decide not to select the Squad if in their opinion that the athletes nominated do not meet a suitable standard or if there are no enough athletes nominated.

2.7. SELECTION CRITERIA - AUSTRALIAN TEAM

- 2.7.1. The Selection Panel appointed by the Board of PA pursuant to clause 5.1 of the By-Law will, subject to the performance criteria set out in clause 2.5, may select the Team consisting of a maximum of ten (10) athletes in each of the following classes:
- a) Senior
 - b) Under 21
 - c) Under 18
 - d) Over 30
 - e) Over 45
- 2.7.2. Only those athletes who are members of the Squad as selected under clause 2.6 may be considered for selection to the national team.
- 2.7.3. The Team coach will select from amongst the members of the Team the athletes to compete in each game.
- 2.7.4. Inclusion in the Team does not necessarily mean that the athlete will compete in any game at the Competition.

2.8. SELECTION ANNOUNCEMENT

- 2.8.1. Announcement of the Team will be made at the conclusion of Selection Event 4.
- 2.8.2. Athletes must accept the offer of selection within five (5) days of receiving the selection invitation.

2.9. EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES

- 2.9.1. Notwithstanding anything contained within this Criteria, the Chief Executive Officer may recommend to the Selection Panel, and the Selection Panel may make a change to the Athletes selected to the Team for any event due to Extenuating Circumstances preventing an Athlete from otherwise meeting the Selection Criteria.
- 2.9.2. Only Extenuating Circumstances which prevent an athlete from meeting the Selection Criteria will be considered. In considering the performances of athletes at the Selection Trial, the Chief Executive Officer at its absolute discretion, may recommend to the Selection Panel that they give weight to Extenuating Circumstances.
- 2.9.3. For the purposes of this Policy, "Extenuating Circumstances" means:
 - 2.9.3.1. injury or illness;
 - 2.9.3.2. equipment failure (where applicable);
 - 2.9.3.3. travel delays;
 - 2.9.3.4. bereavement or disability arising from death or serious illness of an immediate family member;
 - 2.9.3.5. an unanticipated event occurring at the Selection Trial; and/or
 - 2.9.3.6. any other factors reasonably considered by the Chief Executive Officer at its absolute discretion, and recommended to the Selection Panel to constitute Extenuating Circumstances.
- 2.9.4. A decision in each case of Extenuating Circumstances will be made by the Selection Panel on an individual basis.