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## **2019 LIMA PAN-AM GAMES SELECTION CRITERIA**

### **CANOE SLALOM AND EXTREME SLALOM**

#### **1. Introduction**

The following Lima 2019 Pan America Games Team Selection Criteria are guided by Canoe Kayak Canada's performance objective of being a top performer at all levels in all disciplines. In addition, our objective to select a team of athletes that will benefit from the exposure of competing in the Pan-Am Games multisport games environment and who have the potential to represent Canada at future Olympic Games.

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#### **2. Acronyms and Definitions**

<b>"Athlete"</b>	A person who has notified CKC, in accordance with this document, that he/she wishes to be considered for selection in a pool and/or has been selected in a CKC pool or team
<b>"COPAC"</b>	Pan American Canoe Federation
<b>"Crew"</b>	Two athletes forming a C2 doubles team
<b>"CTO"</b>	Chief Technical Officer
<b>"COC"</b>	Canadian Olympic Committee
<b>"Event"</b>	K1 Men; K1 Women; C1 Men; C1 Women;
<b>"HC"</b>	Head Coach
<b>"HPC"</b>	High Performance Committee (Committee that approves the selection criteria supplements for each event)
<b>"ICF"</b>	International Canoe Federation
<b>"IOC"</b>	International Olympic Committee
<b>"NTT"</b>	National Team Trials
<b>"PASO"</b>	Pan American Sports Organization
<b>"Selection Criteria Supplements"</b>	The separate documents that each contain the specific selection criteria for the relevant discipline's selection process
<b>"SMHPCD"</b>	Senior Manager of Slalom High Performance and Coach Development
<b>"Quota"</b>	The number of Athlete/Crew entries per event that are allocated to a National Federation at ICF, IOC, and PASO events. Quotas are subject to confirmation from the ICF, COPAC, IOC, and PASO.

### 3. Purpose

The purpose of this document is to describe the procedures and criteria that will be used by Canoe Kayak Canada to select athletes to the Lima 2019 Pan American Games Team. This document is guided by the [Canoe Slalom Qualification Procedures](#) and the requirements of the COC for nominations to the 2019 Lima Pan American Games Team.

The objective of this selection policy and procedures is to select the maximum number of medal potential athletes for the Lima 2019 Pan American Games.

### 4. Team Size

- 4.1 The team size will be determined by the PASO/COPAC Canoe/Kayak Slalom Qualification Process and will be based on the number of quota that CKC qualifies in the 2019 Pan American Championships.
- 4.2 Canoe Kayak Canada will have a maximum team size of two male and two female athletes.

### 5. Eligibility Requirements

To be considered for selection to the Lima 2019 Pan American Games Team as identified in this document, the Athlete must:

- 5.1 Compete in the 2019 Pan-Am Championships to be held in Tres Coroas, Brazil April 26-28, 2019 (Pan-Am Games Qualification Event);
- 5.2 Be a member in good standing with CKC;
- 5.3 Satisfactorily demonstrate that the athlete will be eligible to compete for Canada, according to ICF rules and PASO rules;
- 5.4 Have a valid Canadian passport that does not expire on or before February 11, 2020.
- 5.5 Not be under suspension or other sanction for any doping or doping-related offence;
- 5.6 Sign, submit and comply with the CKC Athlete Agreement, COC Athlete Agreement and Lima 2019 Conditions of Participation Form in accordance with the date outlined in the Timelines Summary.

### 6. Authority for Selection and at Games Decisions

The CTO is responsible for the implementation of the procedures and criteria in this document. The slalom HPC is responsible for ensuring these criteria, in alignment with CKC and COC policies, are developed for the purposes noted in the document. The selection panel will consist of the CTO, the SMSHPCD, and a member of the HPC. The member of High Performance Committee HPC will be selected by the chair of the High Performance Committee. All team nominations, including alternates and staff will be ratified by the selection panel. Once nominated to an international team, the final approval of all international competition entries is the responsibility of the designated Canoe Slalom coach. During the actual competition period the decision-making authority will reside with the

designated Canoe Slalom coach. This includes entries, representation and all matters pertaining to the CKC team representing Canada at the Lima 2019 Pan America Games.

## 7. Unforeseen Circumstances

These criteria are intended to apply where fair racing conditions exist, and specifically, where no athletes are prevented from racing because of an unforeseen injury or other unanticipated circumstances. Situations may arise where unforeseen circumstances or circumstances beyond CKC's control do not allow racing or team selection to take place in a fair manner or in the best interests of the priorities and general principles for selection as indicated in these criteria; or do not allow the procedure for nomination as described in the Selection Procedures and Criteria Supplements to be applied.

In the event of such unforeseen circumstances the CTO will, where possible, consult with the SMSHPCD and the HPC to determine if the circumstances justify racing or if selection should take place in an alternative manner.

## 8. Document Revisions

The CTO, with HPC approval, may change the Selection Procedures with just cause. An example is an action by an outside agency such as the ICF (e.g. changing or adding an event). The CTO shall provide as much notice of such change as is possible to all affected athletes and stakeholders as determined by the HPC.

The CTO will take reasonable steps to give written notice to athletes affected by any amendments and/or supplements to this document. It is the responsibility of each athlete to keep his/her contact details up to date, and to keep CKC notified of any change to that information.

Apart from any other steps the CTO may take, he/she will be deemed to have complied with this clause if he/she emails notice to the athlete's most recent contact details and posts written notice on the CKC website.

## 9. Appeals

Appeals of Canoe Kayak Canada decisions may be pursued through the Canoe Kayak Canada's [Appeals Policy](#). Athletes shall only be permitted to appeal when they are directly affected by a decision.

If both parties are in agreement, the Canoe Kayak Canada Appeals Policy may be bypassed, and the matter brought directly to the Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada (SDRCC) who will then manage the appeal.

## 10. Injury Clause

An Athlete/Crew who is unable to participate in the selection procedure due to illness or injury may nevertheless be considered for selection if an unfilled quota remains vacant following the selection procedure. All Athletes/Crews intending to apply for an injury or illness clause exemption must notify the CTO in writing, with appropriate documentation in

advance of the element of selection in which the Athlete/Crew is unable to participate. The HPC must approve all exemptions from the selection procedure. Where the exemption is related to illness or injury, the CTO may consult with medical professionals to start a process whereby the nature and severity of the illness can be evaluated.

## 11. Selection Races

The selection of the Pan-Am Games Canoe Slalom Team will be determined using the following four selection races held at Riversport Rapids in Oklahoma City:

Date	Selection Race
April 12	Selection Race Run 1 & 2
April 13	Selection Race Run 3 & 4

## 12. PASO and COPAC Selection Procedures

- 12.1 The selection process laid out in this document must be read in combination with the [PASO/COPAC Canoe/Kayak Slalom Qualification Process](#). If there is a discrepancy between this document and the Qualification System, the Qualification System shall prevail. In the event of changes by PASO/COPAC to the selection and eligibility criteria, Canoe Kayak Canada is bound by these changes and will inform its membership as soon as possible.
- 12.2 Athlete qualification quota places will be allocated to the Canadian Olympic Committee based on the final results at the 2019 Pan-Am Championships (Pan-Am Games Qualification Event).
- 12.3 The following table indicates the total number of Athlete Quotas that will be allocated based on the 2019 Pan-Am Championships.

Canoe Slalom Event	Athlete Quota Places
K1 Men	9
K1 Women	9
C1 Men	8
C1 Women	8

- 12.4 The maximum Athlete Quota any federation can qualify is limited to 2 male and 2 female athletes.
- 12.5 An athlete can only qualify one athlete quota place at the Pan Am Qualification competition.
- 12.6 An athlete can only compete in one event at the Pan American Games Canoe Slalom competition if the NOC has filled their maximum quota allocation.
- 12.7 In the case where the NOC has not qualified a quota place in an event, in this case only, an athlete may compete in more than one event.
- 12.8 Athletes qualified in Canoe Slalom will be eligible to compete in the Extreme Slalom event.

## **13. Selection Criteria**

- 13.1 Nomination to the Pan-Am Games Team will be determined by using the Senior Canoe Slalom National Team Ranking system.
  - 13.1.1 The top-ranked Athlete in each Event who satisfies all the eligibility conditions will be nominated to the Pan-Am Games Team.
  - 13.1.2 Athlete(s) nominated to the Canoe Slalom K1 event will also be nominated to compete in the Extreme Slalom K1 event.
  - 13.1.3 Replacements will be made using the Replacement Procedures described below.

## **14. Pan-Am Games Team Replacement Procedures**

- 14.1 Where an Athlete has been selected to the Pan-Am Games Team and subsequently withdraws from or is unable to take part in a competition due to the COPAC qualification system rules, injury, illness, or pregnancy the Selection Panel may select a replacement.
- 14.2 Any replacement following nomination to the COC is subject to the approval of the COC Team Selection Committee. Replacements after June 26, 2019 are also subject to the Lima 2019 Late Athlete Replacement Policy.
- 14.3 In exercising their discretion, the Selection Panel may consider any factor, or combination of factors that is, in the opinion of the Selection Panel, relevant for consideration when selecting a replacement.
- 14.4 All replacement athletes must comply with all Eligibility Requirements contained in this document.
- 14.5 Any unfilled quota positions may be filled by the next highest ranked eligible Athlete/Crew based on the Senior National Team Ranking System.
- 14.6 Replacement(s) in the Extreme Slalom event will be allocated to the athlete(s) nominated to the Canoe Slalom C1 event in the event the athlete(s) nominated to the Canoe Slalom K1 event(s) choose to decline their participation in the Extreme Slalom competition.

## **15. Funding**

- 15.1 Participation in the 2019 Pan-Am Games Team will be subsidized by the Canadian Olympic Committee and Canoe Kayak Canada.
- 15.2 Participation in the 2019 Pan-Am Championships/Lima Quota Qualification Event will be a self-funded event. Athletes will be responsible for all costs associated with participation in this event.

## 16. Staff Selection Procedures

The Chief Technical Officer is responsible for the selection and nomination of all Pan-Am Games staff. The Team staff selection will be announced on May 17, 2019. All staff must be Members in good standing of Canoe Kayak Canada and with the Professional Coaching Program of the Coaching Association of Canada.

## 17. Timelines Summary

Date	Requirement
April 13-15	Canoe Slalom National Team Trials, Riversport Rapids, Oklahoma City
April 26-28, 2019	COPAC Pan-Am Championships/Lima Quota Qualification Event
April 26, 2019	Lima2019 entry by number deadline
May 10, 2019	NOC to confirm with COPAC the quota spots they will use
May 15, 2019	COPAC will allocate any remaining quotas if needed
May 17, 2019	Canoe Kayak Canada to nominate the Canoe Slalom Pan-Am Games Team and Support Staff
May 20, 2019	Deadline for athletes to accept their selection to the Pan-Am Games Team and declare attendance of the competition schedule
May 29, 2019	Deadline to submit an appeal of team nominations
June 24, 2019	Deadline for Canoe Kayak Canada to submit Pan Am Games Team Nominations to COC

# 18. Lima 2019 Pan Am Games Selection Pathway

