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**CANOE SLALOM NATIONAL TEAM TRIALS RANKING SYSTEM  
& PERFORMANCE BENCHMARKS  
SELECTION CRITERIA SUPPLEMENT  
2019**

## **1. Rules Governing the Canoe Slalom National Team Trials**

- 1.1 Athletes/Crews may compete and seek nomination in one or more Event(s) at any of the selection races. Athletes/Crews will be nominated to all Nationals Teams for all Event(s) in which qualify.
- 1.2 There are no qualification requirements to compete in the Canoe Slalom National Team Trials races.
- 1.3 All National Team selection races will be governed by current ICF racing rules.
- 1.4 At least one ICF International Judge Canoe Slalom (IJCSL) must be involved in the design of the National Team selection race courses.
- 1.5 If one or more of the National Team selection races is cancelled for any reason, the CTO, in consultation with the selection panel, may designate an additional race(s) to replace the cancelled race(s). Any replacement race will be held as soon as possible after the completion of the final scheduled team selection competition. A minimum of three races must be used to select the National Teams.
- 1.6 If the CTO, in consultation with the selection panel determines that no alternative race sites and dates are reasonably available to host a fourth race, the National Team selection process shall be modified to use the three completed selection races. The National Team Trials Intraclass Ranking System will be followed with the only modification being that athletes will not be able to discard any runs from the National Team Ranking system. Athletes/Crews must still satisfy the appropriate National Team Performance Benchmark.

## **2. National Team Trials Intraclass Ranking System**

- 2.1 The National Team Trials Intraclass Ranking System will form the basis for all National Team rankings and subsequent nominations outlined in the National Team supplement documents.
- 2.2 After completion of National Team Trials, all Athletes/Crews who meet the Eligibility Requirements for Senior, U23 and Junior National Teams will be ranked in the National Team Trials Intraclass Ranking System outlined in this document.

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- 2.3 Points, as outlined in Table 1 in the Appendix, will be awarded to each Athlete/Crew based on the ranking of each Athlete/Crew in their respective Event(s) in National Team Trials races #1, #2, #3 and #4.
- 2.4 Where an Athlete/Crew starts a race but does not finish their run, the run will be recorded as a “did not finish (DNF)” and will be awarded 999 points for that selection race.
- 2.5 Where an Athlete/Crew is entered in a race but does not start their run, the run will be recorded as a “did not start (DNS)” and will be awarded 999 points for that selection race.
- 2.6 Where an Athlete/Crew is disqualified in a race run, the run will be recorded as a “Disqualified Run (DSQ-R)” and will be awarded 999 points for that selection race run.
- 2.7 Where an Athlete/Crew is disqualified for the whole competition the athlete’s selection race runs will be recorded as a “Disqualified Competition (DSQ-B)” and will be awarded 999 points for each selection race run.
- 2.8 The points from the three best Intraclass ranking results of each Athlete/Crew in National Team Trials race #1, #2, #3 and #4 will be added together to calculate the respective Final Intraclass Ranking Score and Intraclass Ranking (Table 3 in Appendix).
- 2.9 Where two or more Athletes/Crews tie in any National Team Selection Race each tied Athlete/Crew will be awarded the same placement and the same points. The next athlete will be awarded points based on their relative position of finish (See Table 2 for example in Appendix).
- 2.10 Where two or more Athletes/Crews have the same Final Intraclass Ranking score the Athlete/Crew who has the single lowest Intraclass points score in any one of the National Team Trials races #1, #2, #3 and #4 shall be ranked higher (See Table 3 for example in Appendix).
- 2.11 If a tie remains, the Athlete/Crew who has the lowest Tie-Breaking percentage shall be ranked higher (Table 4 in Appendix). The Tie-Breaking percentage score will be calculated by the addition of the Athletes’/Crews’ three lowest percentage scores from National Team Trials races #1, #2, #3 and #4 (See Table 4 for example in Appendix).

### **3. Canoe Slalom Performance Benchmarks**

- 3.1 Nomination to the National Team is dependent on the Athlete/Crew meeting the appropriate National Team Performance Benchmark outlined in Table 4 in the Appendix in at least one of the selection races.
- 3.2 The Selection Panel reserves the right in exercising its discretion in the application of the Performance benchmarks in the event of any Unforeseen Circumstances as described in the Selection Procedures document.
- 3.3 The Performance Benchmarks were derived from an analysis of the ICF World Cups and World Championships in the past quadrennial. The objective of the Performance Benchmarks is to demonstrate a minimum performance level of advancing to the Semifinal at ICF sanctioned events.
- 3.4 The Base Scores for each National Team selection race will be determined by the lowest total score recorded by any eligible competitor.
- 3.5 The Senior Base Score will be used to calculate the Senior Athletes’/Crews’ Percentage

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- 3.6 The U23 Base Score will be used to calculate the U23 Athletes'/Crews' Percentage Scores.
- 3.7 The Junior Base Score will be used to calculate the Junior Athletes'/Crews' Percentage Scores.
- 3.8 The Athletes'/Crews' Percentage Score will be calculated by using the following formula:

$$\left( \frac{\textit{Athlete Score}}{\textit{Base Score}} \right) \times 100\% = \textit{Athlete/Crew Percentage Score}$$

- 3.9 To satisfy the Performance Benchmark the Athlete/Crew's Percentage Score must be less than or equal to the appropriate Performance Benchmark.
- 3.10 The Athlete/Percentage score will be truncated to one decimal place. Example of Athlete / Crew Percentage Score truncated to one decimal below.

$$\left( \frac{116.01}{99.99} \right) \times 100\% = 116.0$$

- 3.11 Athletes/Crews who meet the National Team Performance Benchmark in one event may fill an unused ICF Quota position in a secondary event.

# Appendix

Table 1: National Team Trials Intraclass Ranking System

Place	Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	0
2 <sup>nd</sup>	2
3 <sup>rd</sup>	3
4 <sup>th</sup>	4
5 <sup>th</sup>	5
6 <sup>th</sup>	6
7 <sup>th</sup>	7
8 <sup>th</sup>	8
9 <sup>th</sup>	9
10 <sup>th</sup>	10 etc.

Table 2: Example of National Team Trials Intraclass Ranking System in the event of a tie

Place	Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	0
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3 <sup>rd</sup>	3
4 <sup>th</sup>	4
4 <sup>th</sup>	4
6 <sup>th</sup>	6

Table 3: Example of the Final Intraclass National Team Trials Ranking System

Intraclass Ranking	Athlete Name	Race #1 Pts	Race #2 Pts	Race #3 Pts	Race #4 Pts	Final Intraclass Ranking Score (3 Lowest points)	Tie-Break Percentage Score
1	Athlete A	0	2	0	2	2	301.07%
2	Athlete B	3	0	3	0	3	302.37%
3	Athlete C	4	4	0	4	8	306.75%
4	Athlete D	3	3	2	3	8	307.11%
5	Athlete E	2	5	5	5	12	314.82

Athlete C wins the Tie-Break and is ranked higher due to the single lowest Intraclass points score (0) in any one of the National Team Trials races #1, #2, #3 and #4.

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3	Athlete C	3	3	4	999	10	306.75%
4	Athlete D	4	4	3	3	10	307.11%
5	Athlete E	5	4	5	4	14	314.82

Athlete C wins the Tie-Break and is ranked higher due to lower Tie-Break Percentage Score (306.75%).

Table 5: 2019 National Team Performance Benchmarks

Event	Senior National Team Performance Benchmark	U23 National Team Performance Benchmark <sup>i</sup>	Junior National Team Performance Benchmark <sup>ii</sup>
K1 Men	≤105.0 % of Senior Base Score	≤110.0 % of U23 Base Score	≤115.0 % of Junior Base Score
K1 Women	≤119.9 % of Senior Base Score	≤126.0 % of U23 Base Score	≤131.0 % of Junior Base Score
C1 Men	≤112.7 % of Senior Base Score	≤119.0 % of U23 Base Score	≤124.0 % of Junior Base Score
C1 Women	≤142.9 % of Senior Base Score	≤147.0 % of U23 Base Score	≤152.0 % of Junior Base Score
C2 Mixed	One athlete in Crew must satisfy Performance Benchmark in individual event	One athlete in Crew must satisfy Performance Benchmark in individual event	One athlete in Crew must satisfy Performance Benchmark in individual event

<sup>i</sup> Athletes/crews who satisfied the U23 National Team Performance Benchmark at the 2018 Kananaskis National Championships will be considered to have satisfied the Performance Benchmark for eligibility purposes for consideration for nomination to the 2019 U23 National Team.

<sup>ii</sup> Athletes/crews who satisfied the Junior National Team Performance Benchmark at the 2018 Kananaskis National Championships will be considered to have satisfied the Performance Benchmark for eligibility purposes for consideration for nomination to the 2019 U23 National Team.