



1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 **Aims:** CRNZ’s aims in selecting Athletes to compete in the ICF u23 World Championship are as follows:

- (a) to provide development opportunities for Athletes; and
- (b) to achieve outstanding results for New Zealand.

1.2 **CRNZ Selection Regulations:** You should read this Policy in conjunction with the CRNZ Selection Regulations (“**Regulations**”). In particular, you should be aware of:

- (a) the process you need to follow if you feel you have been affected by Exceptional Circumstances (see clause 10 of the Regulations); and
- (b) the process you must follow if you wish to make an Appeal in respect of any aspect of the Selection process (see clause 11 of the Regulations).

1.3 **Definitions:** Where a word is capitalised it will have a definition. Definitions can be found in Appendix 1 of the Regulations.

1.4 **Regatta and Events:** This document sets what you need to do to be selected to compete in the ICF u23 World Championship in the following Events:

(a) **K1 Specified Events**

Event	Maximum number of boats per event
WK1 500	1
MK1 1000	1

(b) **Crew Specified Events**

Event	Maximum number of boats per event
WK2 500	1
MK2 500	1
WK4 500	1
MK4 500	1

(c) **Additional Events:** CRNZ may select Athletes or Crews to compete in events other than those listed in the table above – see clause 7 of the Regulations.

1.5 Athletes who wish to be considered for Selection must complete an Athlete Application form by the Application Date set out in the table at clause 1.6 below (see clause 4.1 of the Regulations). This form is available on the CRNZ website.

1.6 **Important Dates:** The following are the key dates for this Policy:

Application Date	1 February 2022
Summer Sprint Series, Lake Ruataniwha	19 – 20 February
NZ National Championships	22 – 24 April
CRNZ Crew Boat Trial	5 – 8 May (TBC)
Selection Date	1 June

1.7 **Funding and Support:** If you are selected, you will be eligible for the following funding and support from CRNZ:

U23 Team	20-30% subsidy from CRNZ
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1.8 **Cost:** If you are selected, it will cost approximately \$13,000 to attend the ICF u23 World Championship. (This cost includes covid-19 quarantine and flight costs, but is subject to the subsidy set out in clause 1.7 above).¹

1.9 **Outline:** In order to be selected, you need to:

- (a) meet all of the Eligibility Criteria – see Part 2 of the Regulations; and
- (b) earn Nomination – see clause 3 below and Part 3 of the Regulations
- (c) satisfy clause 3 of this Policy – see Part 4 of the Regulations (subject to any Exceptional Circumstances).

1.10 **Covid-19 and Travel Restrictions:** This Policy is subject to any Covid-19 restrictions that may be in place from time to time in New Zealand and abroad.

2. NOMINATION

2.1 **Pre-Conditions:** Athletes must fulfil the following pre-conditions:

- (a) attend the CRNZ Crew Boat Trial at Lake Karapiro in March. Athletes may attend the Crew Boat Trial if:
 - (i) an athlete finishes first placed u23 athlete in either the WK1 500 or MK1 500 at the Summer Sprint Series, Lake Ruataniwha;
 - (ii) an athlete finishes in the top 2 place u23 athletes in either the WK1 500 or MK1 1000 at the NZ National Championships; or
 - (iii) an athlete receives an invitation from CRNZ.

2.2 **K1 Events – Invitation to Trial:** The A Final of each Specified Event at the NZ National Championships will be the first race of the Trial for that Event. The first three (3) competitors within 2% of the winning time in each division are eligible to compete in the second and subsequent Trial races. The second Trial race will be held immediately after the 2022 National Championship has finished. The third Trial race (if required) will be held the day after the 2022 National Championship has finished.

2.3 **K1 Events – Trial Races Run Concurrently:** Trial Races of the same distance may be run concurrently where one or more competitors is eligible for multiple divisions in the same gender (for example Open or U23).

2.4 **K1 Events – Format of Trial:** The format of the Trial will be the number of races necessary to find the first Athlete in that Event to win two races.

2.5 **Crew Events: Nomination Factors:** The relevant CRNZ Head Coach, in consultation with the Selectors, will consider the following Factors:

- (a) Performances and data from the CRNZ crew boat Trial;
- (b) any one or more of the Nomination Factors set out in clause 6.3 of the Regulations.

¹ Please note: these costs are subject to any Covid-19 control measures and any contingency plans associated with Covid-19 control measures. (i.e. Any costs associated with Covid-19 control measures will be passed on to the athlete).

2.6 **Crew Events: Information for Athletes:** The relevant CRNZ Head Coach will provide Athletes with an outline of the Nomination Process at the beginning of the Crew Boat Trial. The outline will contain the following information:

- (a) the approximate format of crew assessment trials; and
- (b) the Nomination Factors which the Head Coach proposes especially to consider.

3. PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND SELECTION

3.1 **Performance Criteria:** Selectors must be satisfied that an Athlete or Crew has the potential to achieve at least a B Final placing at the 2022 u23 World Championship.

3.2 **Multiple Events:** Where an Athlete is being considered for Selection in multiple Events, the Selectors may, in their discretion, decide not to Nominate an Athlete in one or more Events if they believe that participation in multiple Events may negatively affect that Athlete's performance in another Event. In exercising this discretion, Selectors shall consider:

- (a) the recommendations of the Head Coach;
- (b) the schedule (including any draft schedule) for the Regatta, and the effect on the Athlete's performance of the workload of competing in multiple Events;
- (c) the aim of this Policy as set out in clause 1.1;
- (d) the views of Athlete(s) affected; and
- (e) any other factors that the Selectors consider relevant.

3.3 **Selection:** If Selected, you must:

- (a) complete a CRNZ Athlete Agreement within 10 working days of the Selection Date; and
- (b) indicate to CRNZ within 10 working days of the Selection Date that you are willing to pay any cost associated with attending the Regatta(s) for which you have been Selected.

4. QUERIES AND COMPLAINTS

4.1 **Queries:** You can address any queries regarding this Policy to the CRNZ Performance Manager in the first instance.

4.2 **Complaints:** You can address any complaints regarding the implementation of this Policy to the CEO in the first instance.