

CANOE RACING NEW ZEALAND

SELECTION POLICY – 2025 ICF U18 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS



1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. Aims:** The aims intended by CRNZ in selecting Athletes to compete in the ICF U18 World Championships are as follows:
- to provide development and international racing opportunities for Athletes; and
 - 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:
- the process you need to follow if you feel you have been affected by Exceptional Circumstances (see clause 10 of the Regulations); and
 - 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 U18 World Championship in the following Events:

A. Individual Athlete Specified Events		B. Crew Specified Events		C. Additional Events:
Event	Maximum number of boats per event	Event	Maximum number of boats per event	CRNZ may select Athletes or Crews to compete in events other than those listed in the table above – see clause 7 of the Regulations.
WK1 500	1	WK2 500	1	
MK1 1000	1	MK2 500	1	
WC1 200	1	WC2 500	1	
MC1 1000	1	MC2 500	1	
		WK4 500	1	
		MK4 500	1	

- 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	<i>Complete form to indicate availability to trial, be nominated and be selected</i>	9th February, 2025
Tikitapu 2	<i>Opportunity to perform (K1/C1 identification for crew boat and K1/C1 trials)</i>	8th – 9th February, 2025
CRNZ Crew Boat and K1/C1 Trial	<i>Attend selection camp at Lake Karapiro to identify best crew boat combinations</i> <i>Opportunity to identify K1/C1 nomination in WK1 500 m, WC1 200 m, MK1 1000 m & MC1 1000 m</i>	24th - 27th February, 2025 24th February: K1/C1 trial racing (Crew and K1/C1 trialists) 25th - 27th February: K2/C2 & K4 trial racing
Team Informed of Selection	<i>Nominations have been confirmed by selectors</i>	7th April, 2024

1.7. **Other key dates within the campaign:**

NZ Based Camps	<i>Team + Crew connection</i>	Dates to be confirmed: May and June <i>Please include any periods of time where availability may be compromised other commitments in application form</i>
International Camp and Competition	<i>Adjust to International time and environment Compete at World Championships</i>	4/5th July - 22nd July, 2025 (Preparation Camp - TBC) 23 - 27th July, 2025 (Competition) (departure and return dates to be confirmed)

1.8. **Cost:** The U18 and U23 World Championship Campaign will be held in Portugal this upcoming season. The **estimated** costs for this campaign are included in the table below.

Proposed Preparation Camps (2 x 5 night camp - May, June 2025)	\$1000.00
Under 18 Campaign: Portugal (July 2025)	\$ 10,800.00
Uniform Costs	\$ 450.00
TOTAL	\$12,250.00

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

U18 Team	CRNZ will provide coaching, training programs and logistics support. Athletes will be required to contribute to any additional camp and campaign costs. Specific amounts will be communicated once budgets have been finalised.
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2. PROCESS

2.1. **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 2 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).

3. NOMINATION

3.1. **K1/C1 Specified Events**

3.1.a. **K1/C1 (WK1 500m, WC1 200m, MK1 1000m or MC1 1000m) – Invitation to Trial:**

- A. Athletes must attend the **CRNZ Crew Boat and K1/C1 Trial races** at Karapiro Domain. Athletes may attend if:
 - i. an athlete finishes as a top 4 placed U18 athletes in either the **WK1 500, MK1 1000, WC1 200 or MC1 1000** at the 2025 NZ Tikitapu 2; and/or
 - ii. an athlete finishes with a time within 3% of the top ranked U18 athlete time in the WK1/C1 500 or MK1/C1 500m at the 2025 NZ Tikitapu 2; and/or
 - iii. an athlete receives an invitation from CRNZ.

3.1.b. K1/C1 Events – Trial Races Run Concurrently:

- A. 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 U23 or U18).

3.1.c. K1/C1 Events – Format of Trial:

- A. The format of the Trial will be the best of three trial races.
- B. The first athlete to two Trial race wins will be nominated to the selectors for the specified K1/C1 event.
- C. Athletes will be designated specific lanes and where possible, will be separated by at least one lane to ensure there is no wash riding.
- D. Trial races will have a starter and finish line judge. Trial Athletes will be given Rover GPS devices to ensure race time and distance accuracy.
- E. The first three (3) competitors within 2% of the winning time in each division are eligible to compete in the second Trial race.
- F. If at any stage of the trial, an athlete declines to compete in the next phase of the trial, there will be no replacement athletes invited to take part in Trial races 1, 2 or 3.
- G. If there is a different winner in the second Trial race, then only the two different Trial race winners will proceed to a third and deciding Trial race.
- H. Eligible athletes and their coaches will be notified in advance and in writing of the K1/C1 Trial schedule.

3.2. Crew Specified Events:

3.2.a. Crew Boat pre-conditions of nomination:

- A. Athletes must attend the **CRNZ Crew Boat and K1/C1 Trial races** at Karapiro Domain. Athletes may attend the Crew Boat Trial if:
 - i. an athlete finishes as a top 4 placed U18 athlete in either the **WK1/C1 500** or **MK1/C1 500** at the 2025 NZ Tikitapu 2; and
 - ii. an athlete finishes with a time within 5% of the top ranked U18 athlete time in the WK1/C1 500 or MK1/C1 500m at the 2025 NZ Tikitapu 2; and/or
 - iii. an athlete receives an invitation from CRNZ.

3.2.b. Crew Specified Events: Nomination Factors: The relevant CRNZ Lead 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.

3.2.c. Crew Specified Events: Information for Athletes: The relevant CRNZ Lead Coach will provide Athletes with an outline of the Nomination Process by 21st February, 2025. The outline will contain the following information:

- A. the approximate format of crew assessment trials; and
- B. the Nomination Factors which the Lead 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 2025 U18 World Championships.

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. confirm 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.
- A. attend team and crew preparation camps.

4 QUERIES AND COMPLAINTS

- 4.1. Queries:** You can address any queries regarding this Policy to the CRNZ General Manager of Performance in the first instance.
- 4.2. Complaints:** You can address any complaints regarding the implementation of this Policy to the CRNZ General Manager of Performance or the CEO in the first instance.

5 SELECTION FLOWCHART

