



## IVF QUALIFICATION PROCESS

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### GOALS

- Create a process that will build interest in making THE TEAM
- Give all paddlers an equal chance of making the team
- Build the strongest possible TEAM CANADA 2012

### MAKING THE TEAM

- Have a valid CORA MEMBERSHIP
- Register your intent to compete for a spot on the team (<http://www.canadianoutrigger.com>)
- **All competitors must register at the online registry ([www.canadianoutrigger.com](http://www.canadianoutrigger.com)) prior to attending a qualifier. The online registry will record how many paddlers are attending the qualifier thus allowing for organization of the event and better dissemination of information.**
- Fulfil the selection requirements outlined below.

Canada is allotted six V-1 spots and six V-6 spots for each age category. There are six age categories for both men and women thus 6 age groups x 2 genders x 6 crews x 6 paddlers per crew = 432 paddlers (assuming all V-1 paddlers also paddle V-6).

The V6 process has been divided into two qualifications: Pre-Established and Canada Crews.

**Canada Crews:** These are crews that are selected by the Canadian Team coach and sprint council based on trials OC-1 results. Steers people will be named at the discretion of the coach and Sprint Council. Details of selection follow.

**Pre-Established Crews:** These are crews of six individuals who have decided to enter the trials as a crew with the goal of qualifying for a crew position at the World Championships. These crews can be club-based or crews that are self-organized and self-named. Details for selection follow.

At trials, all paddlers will be ranked for Canada Crew V-6 and V-12 selection using 500m OC1 time trials. OC-1's are single outrigger canoes with rudders. V-1 time trials (rudderless OC-1's) will be conducted for V-1 spots only. The selection process for V-1, V-6 and V-12 is outlined in this document. V-6's and V-12's are the same as OC-6's and OC-12's. In sprint outrigger, the custom is that the Polynesian name "Va'a" is used rather than "Outrigger Canoe".

**Age Classes:**

Age Classes within the calendar year. Jan - Dec	MEN	WOMEN
	16 & Under	16 & Under
	19 & Under	19 & Under
Open	Any age	Any age
Master	40+	40+
Sr Masters	50+	50+
Golden Masters	60+	60+

**TEAM SELECTION FOR U-19 AND U-16 AGE CATEGORIES:****Junior V-1 Selection:**

There are six V-1 positions per category to be awarded.

The top 2 finishers in the each age class at the October 1-2 CORA Junior Sprint Trials in Calgary will be awarded entries for Worlds. The third place finisher will be awarded entries if his or her time is equal to or faster than the time standard in his or her category (see below). Paddlers placing fifth or lower will not be assigned team positions, regardless of their times relation to the time standard.

The remaining V-1 positions will be awarded at the Spring 2012 trials according to place. A ranking list will be compiled after this trials based on finishing position.

If a V-1 position becomes vacant between the completion of the selection process and the World Championships, it will be offered to the next paddler in the ranking list.

V-1 time standards:

	MEN	WOMEN
16 & Under	2:45	3:00
19 & Under	2:30	2:55

**Junior V-6 Selection: Pre-Established Crew Selection**  
(500m and 1000m)

These crews register as complete crews. The top 2 finishers in a given age class at the October 1-2 CORA Junior Sprint Trials in Calgary will be awarded entries at the World Championships. Crews will race both 500m and 1000m for selection purposes. The 1000m course will consist of turns every 250m. Points will be awarded according to the following:

*6 points for first*

*4 points for second*  
*3 points for third*  
*2 points for fourth*

If needed, the 500m result will be used to break a points tie such that the higher placing of the tied crews in the 500m will be awarded the entry.

The remaining three crew entries will be selected according to the same protocol at the Spring 2012 trials.

A junior crew that loses more than 3 members of their crew for any reason after selection *may* lose their entry to the next ranked crew if the coach and Sprint Council feel this crew change has weakened the crew significantly. Finding replacement paddlers for pre-established crews is the responsibility of the crew.

#### **Junior V-6 Selection: Canada Crew Selection** (500m and 1000m)

Provided there is enough interest, there will be one Canada crew per category. This crew will be composed of the top two finishers in the 500m OC-1 event at the October 1-2 CORA Junior Sprint Trials in Calgary. More positions may be filled if there are six or less athletes who have submitted an intent to compete in a given category by September 30, 2011.

*Example: Under-16 girls has six athletes who have filled out an intent to compete. Four are present at the Calgary trials and two are waiting for the June 2012 trials. In this case, all four girls who race may be awarded positions if they demonstrate a reasonable level of competence, at the discretion of the coach and sprint council.*

The steers may be selected at this time at the discretion of the coach and sprint council if no other competent steers have submitted an intent to compete in the given category.

Remaining crew paddler positions be awarded at the Spring 2012 trials according to placing in the OC-1 500m event. Steers will be selected at the discretion of the coach and sprint council.

#### **Junior V-12:**

Selection of V-12 crews will be at the discretion of the coach and sprint council and be based on OC-1 and V-6 standings with the intent to create the best possible crews.

#### **Paddlers from clubs without many paddlers:**

These paddlers and their parents and coaches are encouraged to communicate with paddlers from other clubs in their region to join together for pre-established crews. If a suitable number of paddlers

remain crewless after the spring trials and there is a remaining crew position available, these athletes will be pooled together to form a crew.

**Notes:**

In the case that there are less teams than Canadian positions, crews may be given entries without participating in trials. This information will be available May 15, 2012. Participating in trials is strongly encouraged as this gives race experience prior to Worlds.

Paddlers on pre-established crews are encouraged to race the OC-1 trials for experience, the chance to be on the Canada Crew, V-12 selection and, most importantly, in case their crew dismantles for any reason.