

# **TEAM CANADA SELECTION PROCESS** World Elite and Club Championships, Australia 2016

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# 2016 IVF WORLD SPRINTS OVERVIEW:

The 2016 IVF World Sprint Championships will follow a new format for 2016. Part one of the event consists of an *Elite Championship* showcasing the top V6/V12 paddlers in *U19* and *Open* age categories from each country. Part two is the *World Club Championship*, the same as previous Championships. All V1 races are considered Elite and will be run throughout the 7 days of the Championship events.

The full event information can be found on the host website at: <a href="http://www.worldsprints.com">http://www.worldsprints.com</a>

For the purposes of this document, the focus is on the selection process for paddlers to represent Canada at the 2016 World Club Championships. \*If it is determined that Canada has the opportunity to enter an elite crew in the U19 or Open age category that option will be discussed with the eligible paddlers. This will affect crew eligibility for Club Championship crews and is not addressed in this document.

# SELECTION PROCESS OBJECTIVES:

- To provide all paddlers with a fair and equitable opportunity to make TEAM CANADA for the 2016 World Elite and Club Crew Championships in Australia
- To build the strongest and most cohesive TEAM CANADA for 2016
- To develop a process that builds interest in making TEAM CANADA for 2016

# **IMPORTANT:**

- All paddlers must have a current CORA membership
- All paddlers wishing to compete at the 2016 World Elite and Club Crew Championships in Australia are <u>strongly</u> encouraged to time trial at one of the following time trials:

Eastern Time Trials	September 19, 2015	Parry Sound, ON
Western Time Trials	October 11, 2015	Burnaby, BC

Additional Information: IVF Race Rules may be found at http://www.ivfiv.org

# **KEY DEADLINES: (all dates in 2015)**

DEADLINE:	FOR:		
September 7	• TEAM CANADA online registration for time trials East & West.		
	Pre-Determined OC6 crew application		
October 5	Posting of Western time trial race schedule		
October 12-16	<ul> <li>Paddlers <u>not</u> intending to compete at the World Club Crew Championships in Australia to provide notice to the Administrator</li> </ul>		
October 15	Application for any unclaimed V1 spots		
October 16	<ul> <li>Paddlers on Pre-Determined OC6 crews to notify Administrator of their intent to remain on set Pre-Determined OC6 crews</li> </ul>		
October 17	Posting of all TEAM CANADA crews		
November 1	Confirm with Lynda Roberts if you are planning on competing in Australia as per the posted crews		
December 1	<ul> <li>A \$200 Non-refundable deposit by each paddler to cover the intent to compete registration with IVF, and the TEAM CANADA uniform package</li> </ul>		

### AGE CATEGORIES:

To determine the age category a paddler is in, the paddler must have reached the minimum age of that age category by the end of the calendar year in which the competition is taking place (2016). The table below identifies the age categories, and their corresponding age ranges and minimum age requirements. All PARA events are in the PARA Open category.

AGE CATEGORIES	AGE CRITERIA	Number of Entries:	
	(Men & Women)	Club Championships	
JUNIOR 16	16 & Under	V1 = 3	
	(minimum age: 11yrs)	V6 = 6, V12 = 3	
JUNIOR 19	19 & Under	V1 = 3	
	(minimum age: 14yrs)	V6 = 6, V12 = 3	
OPEN	Minimum age of 16yrs	V1 = 3	
		V6 = 6, V12 = 3	
PARA (Open)	Minimum age of 16yrs	V1 = 3	
		V6 = 6, V12 = 3	
MASTERS 40	40+yrs	V1 = 3	
		V6 = 6, V12 = 3	
MASTERS 50	50+yrs	V1 = 3	
		V6 = 6, V12 = 3	
MASTERS 60	60+yrs	V1 = 4	
		V6 = 6, V12 = 3	
MASTERS 70	70+yrs	V1 = 4	
		V6 = 6, V12 = 3	

# TEAM CANADA SELECTION CRITERIA FOR ALL AGE CATEGORIES

### **V1 SELECTION PROCESS**

BOAT BEING USED: Solo Rudderless Outrigger Canoe (V1), Teva Nui.

#### V1 RIGGING:

Rigging will be standardized as per IVF rules. Any altering of the rigging will result in immediate disqualification.

### **RULES FOR V1:**

IVF rules for V1 will be followed: no additional equipment may be added to the V1 (seat accessories, foot braces)

*IMPORTANT:* Paddlers will only be allowed to qualify for two age categories. To qualify for each age category, paddlers must race in both age categories at one of the time trials previously listed.

*IMPORTANT:* If a paddler is racing in two age categories, the IVF World Sprints race program will not be altered if that paddler finds themselves with back-to-back races. A scratch fee of US \$100 will be levied by the IVF (to be paid by the paddler/s) should a paddler have to scratch a race.

#### TIME TRIAL PROCESS:

The time trials will consist of heats and/or finals (A, B, C...) depending on the number of entries for each age category. Age categories may be combined depending on the number of registered entries for each age category.

#### **SELECTION CRITERIA:**

**Top three ranked V1 paddlers per age category** (four for Masters Men 60 & 70) from the time trials will be awarded V1 spots.

## FORFEITING SPOT:

Paddlers awarded a V1 spot but unable to attend the World Championships in Australia may forfeit their spot by notifying the Sprint Council. The next fastest paddler based on time trial results will be offered the V1 spot.

## **EMPTY/UNCLAIMED SPOTS:**

If any empty/unclaimed spots remain after the time trials in any age category they can be applied for and will be assigned at the Sprint Council's discretion. Deadline for any empty/unclaimed spots is October 15, 2015. Priority will be given to paddlers that time trialed. If spots are still available after the above deadline, paddlers without a V1 time trial result may apply for that spot; awarding of V1 spot in this instance is not a guarantee.

# CANADA CREWS AND PRE-DETERMINED CREWS

The V6 selection process section is divided into Canada Crew Selection and Pre-Determined Crews to highlight the differences in how they are selected/created and how they will be ranked against one another.

*IMPORTANT:* All Canada crews will be posted as of October 17, 2015. It is strongly encouraged that any paddler that has no intention to race for Canada at the World's to communicate this to the Administrator as soon as possible within the October 12-16 time frame.

*IMPORTANT:* All paddlers named to Team Canada crews shall confirm their acceptance ASAP. If paddlers drop out this may alter other paddler's decisions to participate, so time is of the essence.

## V6 CANADA CREW SELECTION PROCESS

**BOAT BEING USED**: Solo Ruddered Outrigger Canoe (OC1)

#### OC1 RIGGING

- Seat distance may be altered and fixed to ensure paddler is able to use the pedals to steer the boat.
- Rigging will be fixed, paddlers shall NOT alter the rigging (this will cause too many time delays).

*IMPORTANT:* All steers must identify themselves at time of registration to be eligible to qualify as a steers. Steers have the option of choosing to be a paddler as well.

**IMPORTANT:** Paddlers will only be allowed to qualify for two age categories. To qualify for each age category, paddlers must race in both age categories at one of the time trials previously listed.

**IMPORTANT:** Paddlers who qualify for a Canada crew position based on their OC1 time trial result will be offered a spot regardless of whether they are on a Pre-Determined crew. They will have five days from the date of notification of placement to determine which crew they want to be on. If they do decide to accept a Canada crew spot, it is up to the Pre-Determined crew to find a replacement paddler or forfeit their entry.

# TIME TRIAL PROCESS & SELECTION CRITERIA:

The number of entries for each age category will determine the time trial format as outlined in the table below.

# of	Heats	Final(s)	Awarding of Spots
entries			
1-5		Direct	Top 5 awarded a spot on Canada 1 V6
6-10	2	Final A	Top 3* from heats awarded a spot on Canada 1. Paddlers placing 4-8 will race in Final A for the final 2 spots <sup>**</sup> on Canada 1. Paddlers placing 7- 8 in Final A awarded a spot on Canada 2 with remaining paddlers from heats.
11-15+	3+	Final A & B	Final A determined (as above). Final B, paddlers placing 9-12 will race for final 3 spots <sup>**</sup> on Canada 2. All other Canada boats will be filled with results from heats based on times.

\* Based on time

\*\* Based on placing

## STEERS

Steers people must time trial in OC1's at one of the time trials previously listed to be named to a Canada crew. Steers will be named to Canada crews based on OC1 rankings and Sprint Council consultation (where required).

## PRE-DETERMINED CLUB CREWS

Pre-Determined is defined as; Crews of six paddlers who have decided to enter the time trials as a crew with the goal of qualifying for a Club Crew spot at the World Championships. Crews can be club-based, or self-organized from individual paddlers. These crews should register as complete crews for the OC1 time trials to assist the Sprint Council in seeding each V6 team at the World Sprints.

**IMPORTANT:** Pre-Determined crews are encouraged to time trial in OC1's at one of the two time trial events previously listed. At the World Championships, crews are seeded based on the ranking they hold in their country. The Team Administrator is requested to submit the seeding of the countries crews upon registration prior to the World's. Time trialing seeds V6 crews for World Championship lane placement, assists in the Team Canada V12 crew selection process, and should a Pre-Determined crew lose paddlers, helps to add paddlers to Canada crews, time permitting.

**IMPORTANT:** Paddlers on Pre-Determined crews without an OC1 time trial result will be ranked below those with results, except in extenuating

circumstances, whereby their V6 ranking will be at the discretion of the Sprint Council in order to seed V6 crews accordingly.

*IMPORTANT:* The deadline for application for a Pre-Determined crew spot is September 7, 2015. A form will be made available on the CORA website.

*IMPORTANT:* Pre-Determined crews have until October 16, 2015 to notify the Administrator to clarify if they will remain a Pre-Determined crew or not.

### **REPLACEMENT PADDLER REQUIRED**

Those Pre-Determined crews requiring a replacement paddler can contact the Technical Leader for the next paddler on the OC1 time trial rankings, but are ultimately responsible for filling their own crew. If V6 slots are still available, additional paddlers that have not time trialed will be encouraged to join a crew in order to send full teams to the World's.

#### **DISBANDING PRE-DETERMINED CREW**

Should a Pre-Determined crew disband prior to the World's, any unranked paddler from that crew who wishes to be part of a Canada V6 crew will be ranked after those with a time trial result to see if it is possible to organize an additional V6 crew for them to be a part of (time deadlines withstanding).

### **V12 CREW SELECTION PROCESS**

Selection of V12 crews will be based on the seeding of V6 crews from the OC1 time trial results. The Sprint Council may determine crews, in those cases where Pre-Determined crews exist without results and are part of the entries.

## ADDITIONAL NOTES AND INFORMATION

#### APPEALS PROCESS

In those cases where a paddler is unable to attend time trials due to extenuating circumstances (injury, illness, other), it is up to the paddler to contact the Sprint Council prior to the time trials. The Sprint Council will consider the situation on a case-by-case basis and may seed the paddler within a specific Canada crew accordingly.

#### **RE-RACES**

Paddlers have **20 minutes** following their time trial race to post an appeal for a re-race (circumstances must be legitimate such as equipment malfunction, interference during the race not noted by the on-water official). The Sprint Council will rule on the appeal. Appeals received after 20 minutes has passed after the end of the race will not be considered.

#### **GPS ON BOAT**

GPS devices may be **NOT** be used during time trial races.

### **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Team Canada Administrator: Donna Harrison,

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Team Canada's Area Coordinator for Australia 2016 is Donna Harrison. If you cannot find specific information pertaining to the 2016 IVF World Sprints from communication Donna has sent out please email her directly or go to Website: http://www.worldsprints.com

Full IVF race rules for Sprints can be found on the website: http://www.ivfiv.org

#### SPRINT COUNCIL

Lynda Roberts – Technical Leader John Roberts Leanne Stanley

If you have any questions specific to the selection criteria please email: Lynda Roberts, (Technical Leader) at <u>lyndaccc@gmail.com</u>