



Canoe Slalom International Panel Statement – 2019 Selection Policy Publication

Following a comprehensive process of policy development which included public consultation, the Canoe Slalom International Panel are pleased to publish the following 2019 & 2020 selection policies:

[2019 Canoe Slalom Senior & 2020 Olympic Selection Policy](#)

[2019 Canoe Slalom Junior & U23 Selection Policy](#)

Thank you for your feedback

The Canoe Slalom International Panel would like to take the opportunity to thank all those people that have taken the opportunity to contribute to the development and improvement of the policies through the consultation process.

It has been some time since the consultation concluded in May 2018 and it had been anticipated to publish the policy earlier this autumn but unfortunately a number of issues relating to clarification of international events and Olympic qualification policies have delayed publication until now. As you will see the framework is very similar to what was consulted on in May and where possible suggestions have been incorporated into the policy.

An example of this is the re-instatement of a final opportunity to qualify to U23 & senior selection in 2019. Whilst most people have had multiple opportunities to qualify in 2018, for those that did not, there is now a final opportunity on 23rd March to qualify at the first selection race.

Pre selection to Senior Team 2019

In line with the published 2018 selection policy, the following athletes have applied and been pre-selected to the 2019 Great Britain Senior Team on the basis of their medal winning performances at the 2018 Senior World Championships. Athletes pre-selected under this clause are pre-selected in all age categories in which they are eligible to race. The 2019 senior team selection series will be used as race 1 of the 2020 Olympic Team Selection process. The Pre-selected boat(s) are guaranteed a minimum of 25 points towards 2020 Olympic selection regardless of their final finishing position in the series. The athletes will need to compete in the senior team selection series to secure the points for a higher placing.

Senior Team 2019

K1W	K1M	C1M	C2M & C2Mx	C1W
Mallory Franklin	-	Ryan Westley	-	Mallory Franklin

Registration:

IMPORTANT – As in previous years all athletes wishing to be considered for selection to a 2019 Great Britain team will be required to [register for selection](#). The registration process is available [here](#) see www.britishcanoeing.org.uk and on www.canoeslalom.co.uk and MUST be completed by 5th March 2019. No late registrations will be accepted, with the exception that athletes qualifying a selection place at Holme Pierrepont on 23rd March 2019 must register no later than Friday 29th March 2019. Paddlers remain responsible for entering the race(s) before entry limits are reached. Entering the race is not registration.

Exceptional Circumstances:

On 16th December the Slalom International Panel received a request from Ryan Westley (C1M) to be considered under the exceptional circumstances clause following a recent injury. The IP convened a meeting on Monday 17th December to consider the request. The IP confirmed that Ryan met the eligibility criteria to be considered under this clause. Following assessment of the supporting information, the International Panel has at its sole discretion decided to invoke this clause in C1M 2020 Olympic Team Selection. To be fair to all athletes the IP will produce a further update on the next steps



by Friday 16th March 2019 and any questions in the meantime should be directed to the IP Chair andy.maddock@britishcanoeing.org.uk or Martyn Setchell as athlete rep.

IP Member recruitment:

Hopefully you will have seen the advert for an independent member to join the Canoe Slalom IP early in 2019. It would be great to hear from you if you have the ability to commit and all the details can be found [here](#) with a deadline for applications of the 5th January 2019.

Finally, we wish to thank all the volunteers that make our sport what it is, wish everyone a happy Christmas and look forward to a successful 2019 season.

International Panel

19th December 2018