

Paddle UK Canoe Slalom & Kayak Cross

International Panel Statement

2026 Senior European Championships

On [4th March](#), following its decision to invoke clause 20 of the selection policy, the IP stated:

In Women's Kayak (WK1)

If Mallory Edwards does not start in any races in the selection competition in WK1 then the International Panel will invoke clause 20.5.4. of the selection policy, specifically:

- *'Substitute the lowest placed selected athlete under this policy with the selection of the athlete making the request to all or specific competition(s)'*
- *Therefore, subject to a satisfactory demonstration of senior performance standard by 28th August 2026, the IP will require the third boat in the selection ranking table (including any pre-selected boats) to release the Senior European Championships (23-27 September) to enable Mallory Edwards to compete. The IP will confirm if the performance standard has been achieved to invoke the clause by 28th August 2026.*

In Women's Kayak Cross (WX1)

If Mallory Edwards does not start in any races in the selection competition in WX1 then the International Panel will invoke clause 20.5.4. of the selection policy, specifically:

- *'Substitute the lowest placed selected athlete under this policy with the selection of the athlete making the request to all or specific competition(s)'*
- *Therefore, subject to a satisfactory demonstration of senior performance standard by 28th August 2026, the IP will require the third boat in the selection ranking table to release the Senior European Championships (23-27 September) to enable Mallory Edwards to compete. The IP will confirm if the performance standard has been achieved to invoke the clause by 28th August 2026.*

The International Panel agreed in writing with Mallory and her coach, specific requirements to demonstrate performance standards in Kayak Cross and Canoe Slalom in order for the clause above to be invoked.

The IP can now confirm that ahead of the published deadline of the 28th August, Mallory Edwards has demonstrated achievement of the required performance standard set by the IP following the April selection process in both canoe slalom and kayak cross. Therefore the Women's 2026 Senior European Championship team in WK1 and WX1 will be as follows in line with the previous policy announcements:

Female	
WK1	WX1
Kimberley Woods	Kimberley Woods
Lois Leaver	Lois Leaver
Mallory Edwards	Mallory Edwards

International Panel

20th August 2026