

# BUENOS AIRES 2018 YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES NOMINATION CRITERIA CANOE/KAYAK – NZ CANOE FEDERATION

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## 1. Application of this nomination criteria

- 1.1 **Scope:** This Nomination Criteria document applies to all athletes wishing to be nominated by the New Zealand Canoeing Federation (NZCF) and the New Zealand Olympic Committee (NZOC) for consideration for selection in the New Zealand Team to compete in the 2018 Youth Olympic Games (“the Games”) and to the selectors appointed under clause 1.4 (“Selectors”) that wish to nominate athletes to the New Zealand Team for the Games.
- 1.2 **Effective Date:** This Nomination Criteria shall take effect from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017.
- 1.3 **Board Approval:** This Nomination Criteria was approved by the NZCF Board 25 October 2017.
- 1.4 **Selectors:** The Selectors who will determine the athletes to be nominated to the NZOC, shall be appointed by the respective boards (one selector each) of NZCF, CRNZ, and CSNZ. The Selectors who will consider nomination of Athletes to NZOC to be considered for selection in the Games Team are: on behalf of NZCF, Maree Burnett, CSNZ Kellie Bailey and CRNZ Steve Richards.

## 2. Nomination Procedure

- 2.1 **Conditions of Nomination:** The Selectors may only consider an athlete for nomination if the athlete has satisfied the following conditions of nomination:
- a. be born between 1 January 2002 and 31 December 2003; and
  - b. attend the YOG Canoe World Qualification Event; and
  - c. returned a completed Athlete Application to NZCF prior to the Application Date, in the form prescribed by the NZOC; and
  - d. returned a completed Athlete Agreement in the manner prescribed by the NZOC prior to the Nomination Date; and
  - e. demonstrated to the satisfaction of the NZCF that they are not suffering any physical or mental impairment that would prevent them from competing in the Games to the highest possible standard; and
  - f. acted in such a manner so as not to bring the athlete, the sport, NZCF or the NZOC into public disrepute; and
  - g. to NZCF knowledge has not used or administered any substance which, if it had been detected as being present in the athlete’s body tissue or fluids, would have constituted doping, or used any prohibited method or committed any other doping offence as defined in NZCF, the International Canoe Federation’s (ICF’s) or NZOC’s Anti-Doping Bylaw; and

h. from 30 March 2018 has provided their name and contact address details to the NZOC for the purpose of out of competition drug testing by DFSNZ.

2.2 **Qualification:** New Zealand must qualify places in the qualification event(s) in accordance with ICF's Qualification System – Games of the Youth Olympic Games 2018 ("ICF Qualification System") and/or ICF requirements for the Games. Qualification for a place in any Canoe/Kayak Event(s) by an athlete does not guarantee that athlete will be nominated or selected to compete in the Canoe/Kayak Event(s) at the Games.

2.3 **Nomination if Nomination Criteria Met:** Provided the requirements set out in clause 2.1 and 2.2 are met, the Selectors shall nominate those athletes it considers meet the Nomination Criteria set out below.

### 3. **Nomination Criteria**

3.1 **Nomination Criteria:** This Nomination Criteria for nomination to the Games Team is made up of two parts:

- (a) the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria specified in clause 3.2; and
- (b) the Specific Nomination Factors specified in clause 3.3.

3.2 **Over-Riding Nomination Criteria:**

(a) In determining whether or not to nominate an athlete to Canoe/Kayak Event, the Selectors must be satisfied overall that the athlete:

- i. has a high national ranking (e.g. top 3) or has placed in the top 3 at the Qualification Selection Event;
- ii. has a track record of sufficient quality and depth that the NZCF believes demonstrates the athlete will perform with distinction at the Games;
- iii. has competed at a recognized international event for their sport finishing with a competitive result; and
- iv. has a programme developed and endorsed by the NZCF and/or High Performance Sport New Zealand to prepare them for the Games, and whether they are progressing to the agreed plan.

(b) **Evidence:** In determining whether or not the athlete has or have met the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria for Canoe/Kayak Events in clause 4.2(a) above, the Selectors shall consider the athlete's performances and results in the Canoe/Kayak Event at which they seek to be selected for the Games in the following Key Events during the period 1 January 2018 to 15 April 2018:

- Qualification Selection Event, January 2018, Auckland; and
- International Canoe Federation YOG Qualification Event, Barcelona, Spain

3.3 **Specific Nomination Factors:** When considering the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria above, the Selectors may also take into account any one or more of the following factors about an athlete:

- (a) any other performances or results in competitions / events in addition to the Key Events;
- (b) adequate fitness and a commitment to maintain a fitness and training programme as agreed with the applicable coach(es);
- (c) demonstrated good behaviour, including a commitment to training and attendance at training camps;
- (d) demonstrated compatibility with others in a team environment;
- (e) demonstrated compliance with the rules of events and competitions;
- (f) understanding and respect for the obligations that accompany being a member of a New Zealand team when competing at the Games, including respect for team members and support staff;
- (g) willingness to promote NZCF in a positive manner;
- (h) demonstrated ability to take personal responsibility for self and their results;
- (i) proven ability to be reliable; and
- (j) any other factor(s) the Selectors consider relevant.

3.4 **Own Enquiries:** In considering any one or more of the above factors, the Selectors may make such enquiries of the athlete, or other persons, as they see fit.

3.5 **Weight to be Given to Specific Nomination Factors:** The Selectors may give weight to any one or more of the Specific Nomination Factors and, if it does, to apply such weighting to one or more athletes. No particular factor shall be weighted more or less significantly by reason only of the order in which that factor appears in this Nomination Criteria.

3.6 **Nomination Procedure:** After consideration of this Nomination Criteria, the Selectors shall follow the procedure set out in clause 9 of the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation.

#### 4. Appeal Procedure

4.1 **Nomination Appeals:** An athlete may appeal to NZCF against their non-nomination to the NZOC by the Selectors provided that the athlete has returned a completed:

- (a) Athlete Application to the NZOC by the Application Date; and
- (b) Athlete Agreement to the NZOC by the Nomination Date.

4.2 **Procedures for Nomination Appeals:** Any appeal under paragraph 4.1 must be made in accordance with the procedures set out in in clause 13 of the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation.

#### 5. Inconsistencies

5.1 **NZOC / NZCF Agreement:** In the event there is any inconsistency between this Nomination Criteria and the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation, the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation shall prevail.

5.2 **ICF Qualification System:** If this Nomination Criteria imposes a higher qualification standard or a lesser number of participants than stated by the ICF Qualification System, this shall not be regarded as an inconsistency.

## 6. Amendments to this Nomination Criteria

- 6.1 **Prior to Nomination Date:** This Nomination Criteria may be amended or supplemented from time to time by the NZCF Board, provided NZOC has prior approved the amendment/s and supplement/s.
- 6.2 **Notice:** The NZCF Board will give as much notice as possible of any amendment/s or supplement/s made under clause 7.1 to this Nomination Criteria, to persons it considers may be affected by any such amendment/s or supplement/s.

## 7. Team Announcement

- 7.1 **Public Announcement:** The NZOC shall, on a date set by the NZOC, publicly announce the athletes that are included in the Games Team.

## 8. Definitions

**Application Date** means 30 March 2018 by which athletes must submit a completed Athlete Application in accordance with clause 8.3 of the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation.

**Athlete Agreement** means the agreement that must be completed by any athlete wishing to be considered for nomination and selection to the Games Team in accordance with clause 8.4 of the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation.

**Athlete Application** means the form set by the NZOC that must be completed by any athlete applying to be nominated and selected to the Games Team.

**Canoe/Kayak Events** means the Men's and Women's Kayak (K1W), the Men's Canoe Single (C1) and the Women's Canoe Single (C1W) and the Men's and Women's Kayak (K1W), the Men's Canoe Single (C1) and the Womens Canoe Single (C1W).

**Games** means the 2018 Youth Olympic Games to be held in Buenos Aires, Argentina between 6 – 18 October 2018.

**Games Team** means the New Zealand Team at the Games selected in accordance with the NZOC Selection Policy for the Games.

**Key Events** means the events set out in clause 3.2(b)(iii) being, international, continental or national competitions which are major or pinnacle events for the sport or are at least the equivalent of a World Cup or World Championship, and have an equivalent field of competitors to that which is likely to occur at the Games.

**Nominated Athlete** means an athlete who has been nominated to the NZOC by NZCF.

**Nomination Criteria** means the criteria made up of the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria and the Specific Nomination Factors, and is also referred to as "this Criteria".

**Nomination Date** means the date (and includes any alternative date) as agreed between NZOC and NZCF, by which NZCF must submit any Nominated Athletes to the NZOC.

**NZOC** means the New Zealand Olympic Committee Incorporated.

**NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation** means the regulation of NZOC relation to the nomination and selection Process for all Olympic and Commonwealth games, including the Games.

**Over-Riding Nomination Criteria** means the criteria set out in clause 3.2.

**Qualification Event** means YOG Canoeing World Qualification Event 2018 in Barcelona

**Qualification Selection Event** means the event hosted by NZCF in conjunction with CRNZ and CSNZ to determine who will represent NZ in each of the four classes at the ICF qualification event.

**Selectors** means the selectors appointed by NZCF and CSNZ, CRNZ in accordance with clause 1 of this Nomination Criteria.

**Specific Nomination Factors** means the nomination factors set out in clause 3.3.