



TEAM CANADA SELECTION PROCESS

World Elite and Club Championships, Tahiti 2018

April 2017

2018 IVF WORLD SPRINTS OVERVIEW:

The 2018 IVF World Sprint Championships will follow the same format as 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:

<https://www.tahitivaa2018.org>

For the purposes of this document, the focus is on the selection process for paddlers to represent Canada at the 2018 World **CLUB** Championships.

Once we see 'Intent to Compete' information from paddlers we will have a clear idea if we have eligible paddlers to set up elite crews for Male and/or Female Open and U19 and sort through that process as well.

Please note IVF Race Rules.

http://www.ivfiv.org/uploads/2/5/3/8/25381158/race_rules_sprint_2015_elite-and-club.pdf

Specifically please note: Paddlers participating in the Elite competition will be allowed to join their club crew but are limited to 3 elite members per 6-person entry or 6 elite members per 12-person entry.

SELECTION PROCESS OBJECTIVES:

- To provide all paddlers with a fair and equitable opportunity to make TEAM CANADA for the 2018 World Elite and Club Crew Championships in Tahiti.
- To build the strongest and most cohesive TEAM CANADA for 2018
- To develop a process that builds interest in making TEAM CANADA for 2018

IMPORTANT:

- All paddlers must have a current CORA membership
- All paddlers wishing to compete at the 2018 World Elite and Club Crew Championships in Tahiti are strongly encouraged to time trial at the selection trials;

September 30 – October 1, 2017. Calgary Canoe Club.

If there are additional entries available following the time trials the selection committee will review and accept entries for V6 Club crews based on a first come first serve basis while considering experience of paddlers in the event and the number of requests exceeding the quota. Information and a deadline for additional entries will be posted following the trials.

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

KEY DEADLINES:

DEADLINE:	FOR:
April 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• TEAM CANADA online registration for the time trials open• Pre-Determined OC6 Club crew application open
September 23	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Deadline for registration to compete at trials
September 26	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Posting of time trial race schedule
October 30	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paddlers <u>not</u> intending to compete in Tahiti to provide notice to the Selection Committee.• Paddlers on Pre-Determined OC6 crews to notify Selection Committee of their intent to remain on set Pre-Determined OC6 crews.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note: Paddlers on Club crews may be replaced by the Club at any time up til IVF paddler registration deadlines (tbd)
November 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application for any unclaimed V1 spots
November 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Posting of all TEAM CANADA crews, Elite and Club
November 30	Confirm if you are planning on competing in Tahiti as per the posted crews. (admin@canadaoutriggersprints.com)
February 1, 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A \$200 Non-refundable deposit by each paddler to cover the intent to compete registration with IVF, and the TEAM CANADA uniform package

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 (2018). 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 *D.O.B in 2018	AGE CRITERIA (Men & Women)	Number of Entries: Club Championships
JUNIOR 16 (2002-2007)	16 & Under (minimum age: 11yrs)	V1 = 3 V6 = 6, V12 = 3
JUNIOR 19 (1999-2004)	19 & Under (minimum age: 14yrs)	V1 = 3 V6 = 6, V12 = 3
OPEN 2002 and earlier	Minimum age of 16yrs	V1 = 3 V6 = 6, V12 = 3
PARA (Open) 2002 and earlier	Minimum age of 16yrs	V1 = 3 V6 = 6, V12 = 3
MASTERS 40 1978 and earlier	40+yrs	V1 = 3 V6 = 6, V12 = 3
MASTERS 50 1968 and earlier	50+yrs	V1 = 3 V6 = 6, V12 = 3

MASTERS 60 1958 and earlier	60+yrs	V1 = 4 V6 = 6, V12 = 3
MASTERS 70 1948 and earlier	70+yrs	V1 = 5 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 trial in both age categories.

This will be confirmed based on intent to compete numbers for eligible spots.

IMPORTANT: If a paddler is racing in two age categories at Worlds please note that 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:

Typically top three ranked V1 paddlers per age category (see chart above for current allocations based on 2016 results) from the time trials will be awarded V1 spots.

FORFEITING SPOT:

Paddlers awarded a V1 spot but unable to attend the World Championships in Tahiti may forfeit their spot by notifying the Selection Committee. 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 Selection Committee's discretion. Deadline for any empty/unclaimed spots is November 6, 2017. 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 CLUB CREWS

For 2018 we strongly encourage Clubs to form their own crews and register as such. Paddlers may be recruited from other CORA Clubs as well as unaffiliated paddlers with the only stipulation that they be CORA members. We feel this provides a better opportunity for crews to train together on a regular basis.

As in past years we will run OC1 time trials for paddlers opting to earn a spot on Canada 1 and 2 for the Club World Championships. At the coaches discretion the top 12 paddlers (including 2 steers) will be slotted onto Canada 1 and 2.

Regional location of paddlers may be taken into consideration, again to allow for easier training opportunities on a regular basis.

The V6 selection process section is divided into Canada Crew Selection and Pre-Determined Club 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 November 20, 2017. It is strongly encouraged that any paddler that has no intention to race for Canada at the World's to communicate this to the Selection Committee as soon as possible following the time trials.

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 Rudderless 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 entries	Heats	Final(s)	Awarding of Spots
1-5		Direct	Top 5 seeded as per results
6-10	2	Final A	With coaches input, Can 1-2 spots determined.
11-15+	3+	Final A & B	Final A determined (as above). Final B, paddlers placing 9-12 will race for final 3 spots** on Canada 2. All other Canada boats will be filled with results from heats based on times.

Final spot allocation based on results, coaches discretion and regional considerations.

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 will race in V6 on Sunday, Oct 1. We will use these results, in addition to coach and selection committee feedback, to determine seeding placements for Worlds entries. This will also be a factor to determine V12 crews, with the addition of eligible OC1 time trialing paddlers.

IMPORTANT: The deadline for application for a Pre-Determined crew spot is September 23, 2017. A form will be made available on the CORA website.

IMPORTANT: Pre-Determined crews have until October 30, 2017 to notify the Administrator to clarify if they will remain a Pre-Determined crew or not.

***Replacement paddlers.** Should any Club crew team require a replacement paddler please contact the Selection Committee for eligible paddlers that may have trialed in OC1. Ultimately it will be up to the Club crews to replace any paddlers that no longer intend to compete at Worlds.

ADDITIONAL NOTES AND INFORMATION

APPEALS PROCESS

In situations 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 Selection Committee prior to the time trials. The Selection Committee 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 Selection Committee 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.

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

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