



*Note: In case of any wording discrepancies between the English and French versions of the selection criteria, the English wording takes precedence.*

## **1. INTRODUCTION**

The priority for the High Performance budget in 2012 is the preparation of the Senior National Team in order to maximize performances at the London Olympic Team. As a result the availability of funds to support large teams to race at International events is reduced. Some events may require a financial contribution from the athlete.

## **2. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this document is to describe the procedures and criteria that will be used by CanoeKayak Canada (CKC) to select its national teams to compete at identified competitions in 2012. Team selection is based on performances in selection trials. Athletes must participate in all applicable trials and events as outlined in this document in order to be considered for selection to one of the national teams as identified in this document.

The Internal Nomination Procedure for the Olympic Games team is contained in two separate documents that can be found on the CKC website:

- General Nomination Criteria - Part 1
- Specific Nomination Criteria - Part 2.

## **3. ELIGIBILITY**

To be to be considered for selection to a national team as identified in this document, an athlete must:

- Be a registered member of CKC-Sprint, in good standing.
- For ICF events, satisfactorily demonstrate that he/she will be eligible to compete for Canada.
- Not be under suspension or other sanction for any doping or doping-related offense.
- Not have any outstanding fines/fees payable to CKC.
- Commit to sign any Athlete Agreement as required by CKC.
- Have participated in the applicable selection trials and events.

## **4. PRIORITIES FOR SELECTION**

The priority for selection to senior teams in 2012 is to select the team for World Cup 1 and World Cup 2, and for Paracanoe to select a team to achieve the best possible results at the Paracanoe World Championships.

The priority for selection to junior teams in 2012 is to provide opportunities for racing to support the development of junior athletes to become high performing senior athletes. The following events are available for selection in 2012:

### *Senior*

Pan American Championships	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	20 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup> April
World Cup 1	Poznan	18 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup> May
Paracanoe World Championships	Poznan	17 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup> May
World Cup 2	Duisburg	25 <sup>th</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup> May
World Cup 3	Moscow	1 <sup>st</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup> June
Rideau Canada Day Regatta	Ottawa	30 <sup>th</sup> June - 1 <sup>st</sup> July
Lake Placid International	Lake Placid, USA	6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> July
Women's Canoe Cup	Boulogne-sur-Mer, France	25 <sup>th</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup> July
London Olympic Games	London	7 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup> August

### *Junior*

Rideau Canada Day Regatta	Ottawa	30 <sup>th</sup> June - 1 <sup>st</sup> July
Lake Placid International	Lake Placid, USA	6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> July
Olympic Hopes	Szeged, Hungary	14 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> September

Three levels of Performance Indicator will be used to select teams in 2012: Senior, U23, and U17. See Appendix H for a further description of the Performance Indicator.

## **5. GENERAL PRINCIPLES FOR SELECTION**

A number of general principles apply to selection for all teams:

- The number of athletes that CKC chooses to enter to a competition will be determined by available entries, achievement of criteria, and availability of funds and the priorities of the High Performance program.
- In instances where no athlete / crew meets the criteria outlined in this document, CKC may opt not to enter a crew.
- The primary focus of national team selection for both Senior and Junior teams in 2012 will be Olympic events, which are those events contested at the 2012 Olympic Games in London. See appendices for specific details for each competition.
- For certain events, CKC has determined Performance Indicators, which must be achieved in order for a single or crew to be selected to a team in that event.
- For the Junior team, creation of crew boat combinations will be an ongoing process through both the Rideau Regatta and the Lake Placid International following the nomination of athletes to a pool from Trials 2.
- Athletes / crews selected to a National Team will race the events at the relevant regatta in which they have been selected. Note that a crew is a combination of athletes that comprise a K2, K4, C2 or C4. In cases where one or more athletes from a 'crew' are changed from a previous race or regatta, it is regarded as being a different 'crew'.
- Only crews that race at the relevant selection race will be considered for selection. Once a crew is selected to a national team, there will be no changes to the composition of the crew, except in the case of illness, injury or extenuating circumstances. Where such a change requires adding an athlete to the team, the change must be

approved by the HPC. An exception to this is entries to the Junior and U22 Teams, where the objective for 2012 is to identify and assess potential crew boat compositions for the 2013 World Junior and U23 Championships. National Team coaches have the authority to make alterations to the composition of crew boats during the two races.

- Athletes / crews will only be selected to the National Teams in the events listed in the relevant appendix. Athletes / crews may be entered into other events within the same regatta but the athletes entered into this event must come from within the existing National Team. Priority for entry into these events will be to athletes racing in the same class (e.g. MC2 500m will be eligible to be raced, in the first instance, by the crew selected to race the MC2 1000m). Entries into these events will be at the discretion of the relevant discipline Head Coach and the approval of the HPD.
- CKC will not enter a full team for World Cup 3 (Moscow). This competition may be used by CKC to enter athletes that have become the frontrunner for nomination to the Olympic Team following the results from World Cup 1 and 2. This competition will be used for those athletes to gain more race experience in preparation for racing at the London Olympic Games.

## **6. SPECIFIC CRITERIA FOR SELECTION**

Appendices A through F show the specific criteria for selection to teams in 2012. If opportunities to enter additional competitions occur as new funding becomes available, policies explaining the process of selection to the teams for these events will be published as far in advance of the selection competitions as possible.

## **7. AUTHORITY FOR SELECTION**

The High Performance Director is responsible for the implementation of the procedures and criteria in this document. The High Performance Committee (HPC) is responsible for decisions relating to selection of teams, based upon recommendations of the High Performance Director, and the advice of the national team coaches. In the case of a vacancy in the CKC High Performance Director (HPD) position, the HPC will appoint a designate to fill the HPD's for purposes of application of these criteria. The National Team coaches will be invited and encouraged to be strongly engaged in the selection process through their advice to the HPD and HPC.

## **8. UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES**

In situations where unforeseen circumstances or circumstances outside the control of CKC do not allow racing to take place in a fair manner, or do not allow the procedure for nomination as described in this document to be applied, the HPC reserves the right to determine an appropriate course of action. Depending on the circumstances, such course of action may involve implementation of alternate procedures for team selection.

## **9. ATHLETE ILLNESS, INJURY OR OTHER EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCE**

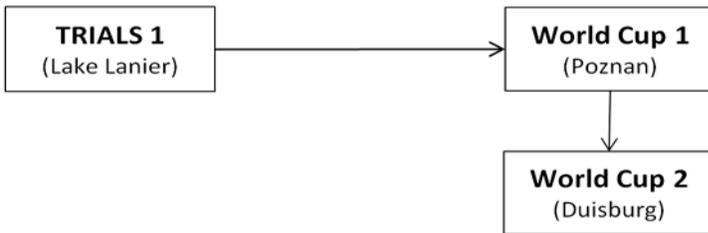
An athlete who is unable to participate in the selection procedure due to illness, injury or other extenuating circumstances may nonetheless be considered for selection by the HPC, provided that the athlete notifies the HPC in writing, with appropriate documentation satisfactory to the HPC, in advance of the element of selection in which the athlete is unable to participate. The HPC, in its sole discretion, may approve an exemption from the selection procedure. Where the exemption is related to illness or injury, the HPC will consult with CKC's Chief Medical Officer to start a process whereby the nature and severity of the illness or injury can be established and an estimation of the likely date at which the athlete may resume training and / or competing can be made.

If an athlete selected to a team becomes ill or injured, he or she must seek immediate medical attention and report the illness or injury to the CKC Chief Medical Officer. The CMO will assess the situation and make a recommendation to the HPD regarding the athlete's continued participation on the team. The CMO's assessment may involve gathering further information or conducting additional medical tests. Where it is determined by the HPD that an athlete will be replaced, the selection of the replacement will be based upon previous results in competitions and trials, as outlined in the relevant appendix in this document. The HPD, in consultation with the relevant Discipline Head Coach, will recommend a replacement for approval by the HPC.

## **10. APPEALS**

Decisions on national team selection may be appealed under the Appeal Policy of CKC. Appeals are restricted to those athletes who have fulfilled the eligibility requirements noted above.

## APPENDIX A - SENIOR WORLD CUP 1 and 2



### *Notes:*

- World Cups will be used as part of the Olympic Nomination process. Refer to the CKC INP Part 1 and 2 found on the CKC website.
- The following events are available for selection: Olympic events, WC2 500m, WC1 200m
- Performance Indicators are not required for the following events that are involved in the Olympic nomination process: MK1 1000m, MK2 1000m, MK1 200m, MK2 200m, MC1 1000m, MC1 200m, WK1 500m, and WK1 200m.
- Adam van Koeverden is pre-selected for the World Cups as per the General Nomination Criteria Part 1, Section 5 and as such is already awarded a 'win' at Trials 1. Only one place is available for selection in the MK1 1000m event due to the pre-selection of Adam van Koeverden.
- Those athletes who have demonstrated a high level of performance on the international stage and / or qualified Olympic quota places directly by achieving the ICF criteria have earned a 'qualifier' status. The 'qualifier' status is given to the athletes who qualified Olympic quota places at either the World Championships, or Pan Am Games, or would have given their results. This applies to Mark de Jonge (MK1 200m), Mark Oldershaw (C1 1000m), Richard Dalton (C1 200m), Richard Dober and Steve Jorens (K2 1000m), and Ryan Cochrane and Hugues Fournel (K2 200m).
- If a qualifier crew does not finish in the top 2 in their event at Trials 1, the qualifier crew may request to the HPC that they be given the opportunity to participate in a race-off with the 2<sup>nd</sup> place crew in their event at Trials 1. The HPC, in its sole discretion, will determine whether the automatic elimination of the qualifier crew from the World Cup selection races would be contrary to CKC's goal of ensuring that the best Canadian crews represent Canada at the London Olympics. The onus is on the qualifier crew to demonstrate that their inability to finish in the top 2 in their event at Trials 1 was an anomaly (e.g. due to a broken paddle) and that there is a reasonable expectation that they could beat the 2<sup>nd</sup> place crew in a race-off.
- If the HPC decides that this is the case, the qualifier crew and the 2<sup>nd</sup> place crew in the event at Trials 1 will participate in a race-off, to be immediately held the weekend of Trials 1, and the winner of the race-off will be awarded the 2<sup>nd</sup> World Cup entry. A win in the race-off does not count as a win for purposes of the 2 wins required for Olympic nomination.
- Performance Indicators are not required for Women's Canoe events.

As part of the policy for providing racing opportunities for development athletes, events will be made available for U23 eligible athletes. Discipline coaches will establish crew boat combinations with the aims of preparing crews for the U23 World Championships in 2013 and the 2016 Olympic Games.

***MK2 1000m, MK1 200m, MK2 200m, MC1 1000m, MC1 200m, WK1 500m, WK1 200m.***

- First and second placed eligible and available boats at Trials 1 will be nominated to the World Cup Team (subject to results of race-off with qualifier crew).

***MK1 1000m, MC2 1000m, MK4 1000m, WK2 500m, WK4 500m, WC2 500m***

- First placed eligible and available boats at Trials 1 will be nominated to the World Cup Team.
- If Adam van Koeverden records a 'win' at Trials 1 and thereby ends the Olympic nomination process in this event, the remaining MK1 1000m place at the World Cups may be nominated to the World Cup Team subject to achieving the relevant Performance Indicator.
- In the case where the first placed boat has not met the Senior Performance Indicator, the highest ranked and available U23 boat who has met the U23 Performance Indicator will be eligible to be nominated to the World Cup Team.
- Note that the WC2 500m athletes participation in the World Cup Team will be dependent upon confirmation that the races will take place.

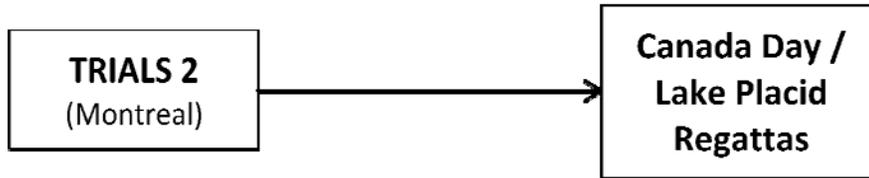
***WC1 200m***

- First and second placed eligible and available boats at Trials 1 will be nominated to the World Cup Team.

***MC4 1000m***

- A specific crew will not be selected to race at the World Cups. However, should a race be held at either World Cup CKC may enter a crew using athletes who are already nominated to the World Cup team. Crew composition will be determined by the discipline Head Coach and agreed by the HPD.

## APPENDIX B – Rideau Canada Day Regatta & Lake Placid International



### **SENIOR ATHLETES**

- First placed eligible and available boats at Trials 2 in the following classes will be nominated to the Team:
  - MK1 200m, MK2 200m, MK1 1000m, MK2 1000m
  - WK1 200m, WK1 500m, WK2 500m
  - MC1 200m, MC1 1000m, MC2 1000m
  - WC1 200m, WC2 500m
- Performance Indicators are not required to be achieved to be nominated to the Team
- Athletes may be expected to race in K4's or C4's as required, with decisions regarding crew boat combinations made by the relevant discipline coach.
- Only those athletes who have not been selected to the U22 team are eligible for the Senior team entries.
- Nomination to the team does not automatically entitle the athlete to funding to cover the costs of participating in this event. Full or partial self-funding may be required.

### **U22 ATHLETES**

The U22 team will be comprised of the following athletes after results at Trials 2:

<b>Event</b>	<b>Nominated Athletes</b>
MK 1000m	Maximum of 6 athletes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Any U22 athletes nominated to the World Cup Team</li> <li>▪ 1st placed eligible and available K2 1000m</li> <li>▪ Remaining places allocated according to the K1 1000m ranking of eligible and available athletes until 6 athletes have been nominated</li> </ul>
MK 200m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The 1st and 2nd placed eligible and available K1 200m athletes</li> </ul>
WK 500m	Maximum of 5 athletes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Any U22 athletes nominated to the World Cup Team</li> <li>▪ 1st placed eligible and available K2 500m</li> <li>▪ Remaining places allocated according to the K1 500m ranking of eligible and available athletes until 5 athletes have been nominated</li> </ul>

Event	Nominated Athletes
WK 200m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The 1st placed eligible and available K1 200m athlete</li> </ul>
MC 1000m	<p>Maximum of 5 athletes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Any U22 athletes nominated to the World Cup Team</li> <li>▪ 1st placed eligible and available C2 1000m</li> <li>▪ Remaining places allocated according to the C1 1000m ranking of eligible and available athletes until 5 athletes have been nominated</li> <li>▪ Consideration for left / right side assessment in men's canoe may be required.</li> </ul>
MC 200m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The 1st placed eligible and available C1 200m athlete.</li> </ul>
WC2 500m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The 1st placed eligible and available C2 500m crew</li> </ul>
WC1 200m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The 1st placed eligible and available C1 200m athlete</li> </ul>

Athletes will be nominated to the team from which entries will be made for the race series. The priority for the team is the creation of crew boats in preparation for the U23 World Championships in 2013.

Performance Indicators are not required to be achieved to be nominated to the Team

Nomination to the team does not automatically entitle the athlete to funding to cover the costs of participating in this event. Full or partial self-funding may be required.

### ***JUNIOR ATHLETES***

In keeping with CKC's commitment to provide race and training camp opportunities for our future athletes, the Rideau Canada Day Regatta and the Lake Placid International will be used as an opportunity to gain international race experience for the 2013 potential junior athletes.

- Trials 2 will be used exclusively to nominate athletes to the Junior National Team pool. Entries and crews to race will be determined from the pool.
- The objective of this project is to provide an enhanced training camp environment and competition opportunities in as part of the preparation for the 2013 Junior World Championships. A second priority is providing racing opportunities for Canada's top U18 athletes.
- There are two components to the Junior Team; a U18 team and a U17 team. The U17 team will include athletes who are ICF 2013 junior eligible, and the U18 team will be ICF 2012 Junior eligible athletes.
- Crew boat composition will be an ongoing process during the two competitions. Crew boat changes will be the responsibility of the Junior Head Coach.
- Position of Finish is defined by the relative finish position with other athletes in the same age category. In establishing ranking lists, ranking will be determined by the position of finish of the eligible athletes.
- Nomination to the team does not automatically entitle the athlete to funding to cover the costs of participating in this event. Full or partial self-funding may be required.

### **U17 Selection Criteria:**

Discipline	Nominated Athletes
Men's Kayak	Up to 8 athletes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The U17 eligible K2 1000m crew who achieves the highest position of finish.</li> <li>▪ The U17 eligible athlete achieving the highest position in the men's K-1 1000m event.</li> <li>▪ The U17 eligible athlete achieving the highest position of finish in the men's K-1 200m event</li> <li>▪ Additionally ranked eligible athletes based upon a combined ranking list.</li> </ul>
Women's Kayak	Up to 8 athletes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The U17 eligible K2 500m crew who achieves the highest position of finish.</li> <li>▪ The U17 eligible athlete achieving the highest position in the women's K-1 500m event</li> <li>▪ The U17 eligible athlete achieving the highest position of finish in the women's K-1 200m event</li> <li>▪ Additionally ranked eligible athletes based upon a combined ranking list.</li> </ul>
Men's Canoe	Up to 6 athletes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The U17 eligible C2 1000m crew who achieves the highest position of finish.</li> <li>▪ The U17 eligible athlete achieving the highest position in the men's C-1 1000m event</li> <li>▪ The athlete achieving the highest position of finish in the men's C-1 200m event</li> <li>▪ Additionally ranked eligible athletes based upon a combined race ranking list.</li> </ul>
Women's Canoe	Maximum of 4 athletes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The U17 eligible C2 500m crew who achieves the highest position of finish.</li> <li>▪ The top 2 U17 eligible ranked women's canoe in the C-1 200 m.</li> </ul>

For an athlete to be considered for a nomination to the Canada Day and Lake Placid regatta tour from the Discipline Combined Ranking List, an athlete must:

- Be the next eligible athlete with the next highest point total on the Discipline Ranking List

AND

- In the opinion of the NDC and HPD, have demonstrated they will contribute to a crew or crews that will compete in the 2012 Canada Day and Lake Placid Regattas, and participate in the training camp.

### ***Combined Race Ranking List***

- Additional athletes **may** be nominated from the Discipline Ranking List to the U17 Junior Tour team.
  - To be considered for a nomination to the U17 Junior Tour Team from the Discipline Ranking List an athlete must be the athlete with the highest position on the Discipline Ranking List.

And

- In the opinion of the NDC and the HPD have demonstrated they will contribute to a crew or crews that will race at the 2012 Canada Day and Lake Placid International Regattas.
- The NDC and the HPD will continue to evaluate each athlete in succession on the Discipline Ranking List to determine their potential contribution to a crew or crews that will contribute to the project. Considerations such as race schedule, team size, etc. will affect the final decision as to whether an athlete will be added to the team or not.

- Consideration for left / right side assessment in men's canoe may require the NDC and the HPD to recommend an athlete who is lower on the Discipline Ranking List in order to allow the opportunity for Canada to race tandem events at the competitions, and provide quality crew boat training opportunities.
- A combined ranking list from A and B finals in singles events will be used for selection based on the following allocation of points:

Position of Finish	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Points	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

- Where two athletes have a tied overall score from the ranking list, the athlete achieving the highest position of finish in the longer distance will be nominated to the team (i.e. 1000m vs. 200m, 500m vs. 200m)

***U18 Team Selection:***

**Note:** A U18 athlete (2012 Junior) will not be nominated unless he / she is ranked ahead of all U17 Junior (2013) athletes.

<b>Discipline</b>	<b>Nominated Athletes</b>
Men's Kayak	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The U18 eligible crew achieving the the highest position of finish in the men's K-2 kayak event.</li> <li>▪ The U18 eligible athlete achieving the highest position in the men's K-1 1000m event</li> <li>▪ The U18 eligible athlete achieving the highest position of finish in the men's K-1 200m event</li> </ul>
Women's Kayak	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The U18 eligible crew achieving the highest position of finish in the women's K-2 500m event</li> <li>▪ The U18 eligible athletes achieving the highest position in the women's K1 500m event.</li> <li>▪ The U18 eligible athlete achieving the highest position of finish in the women's K-1 200m event</li> </ul>
Men's Canoe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The U18 eligible crew achieving the highest position of finish in the men's C-2 1000m event</li> <li>▪ The U18 eligible athlete achieving the highest position in the men's C-1 1000m event</li> <li>▪ The U18 eligible athlete achieving the highest position of finish in the men's C-1 200m event</li> </ul>
Women's Canoe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The U18 eligible C2 500m crew who achieves the highest position of finish.</li> <li>▪ The U18 eligible athlete achieving the highest position in the women's C-1 200m event</li> </ul>

## APPENDIX C - PAN AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS: U20

### *General Information*

This event is available for U20 athletes only (i.e. turning 20 in 2012, born in 1992 or earlier). There will be no separate junior team selected for this competition, however juniors may compete as U20 athletes.

Pan American Championships Team composition and number of athletes selected:

Men's Kayak	Women's Kayak	Men's Canoe	Women's Canoe
2	2	2	2 (1 right, 1 left)

### Selection Trials:

**Location:** Lake Pickett, Florida,

**Date:** Sunday March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012

**Format:** The selection trials will be based on a time trials format (timed heats), with no heat, semi-final or finals advancement. Athletes will race in timed finals (2 boat waves), at pre-determined intervals.

### Selection:

#### *Events to be used for Selection:*

Event	2000m Time Control	1000m Time Control
Men's Kayak	√	√
Men's Canoe	√	√
Women's Kayak		√
Women's Canoe		√

#### *Men's Canoe and Men's Kayak Selection:*

Two time controls will be used to create a combined ranking list for the athletes. The time trials distances will be 2000m, and 1000m. Points will be applied to the position of finish ranked according to times from each time control according to the points system indicated in the table below. The scores from both time trials will be added to establish an overall combined ranking list score. Athletes will be ranked according to the combined score.

Position of Finish	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Points	12	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	1

Tie Breaker

In the event of a tie in the combined ranking list, the athlete with the better position of finish (time) in the **1000m** time trial will rank ahead to break the tie.

#### *Women's Kayak and Women's Canoe Selection:*

Selection and nomination to the Pan-American championships team will be based solely on one (1), 1000m time trial.

Tie Breaker:

In the event of a tie from the time trials for nomination between 2 or more paddlers, a race off will be conducted between the two athletes at the end of the day.

Note: Women's Canoe:

The first (1<sup>st</sup>) ranked right-sided athlete and the 1<sup>st</sup> ranked left-sided athlete will be nominated for the team.

***Competition Expectations:***

Athletes will be expected to race in tandem events at the Pan American Championships based on the race schedule. Decisions regarding crew boat combinations will be made by the relevant discipline development coach and agreed to by the HPD.

No Performance Indicator is required to be nominated to the Pan American Championships Team.

## APPENDIX D – OLYMPIC HOPES REGATTA

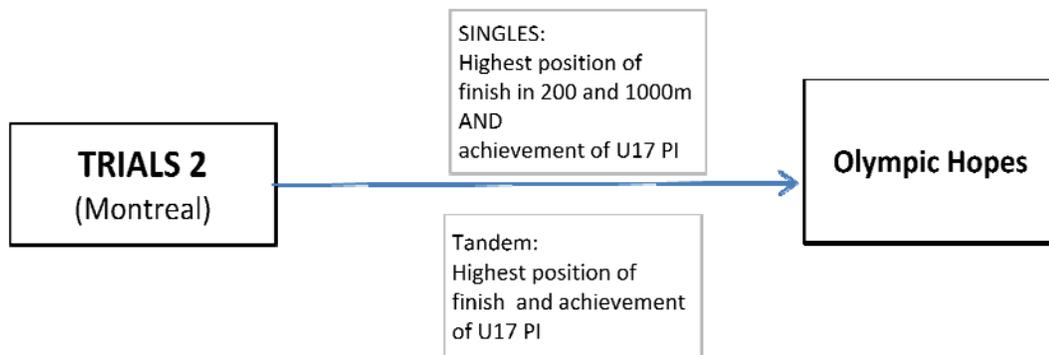
This competition opportunity is for 2013 ICF Junior eligible athletes only.

Maximum Team size will be 4 Men's Kayak, 4 Women's Kayak, 4 Men's Canoe, and 3 women's canoe.

Women's Canoe participation is subject to confirmation that the events will take place.

Nomination to the team does not automatically entitle the athlete to funding to cover the costs of participating in this event. Full or partial self-funding may be required.

### *Selection Criteria:*



### *Assessment of Achievement of Performance Indicator:*

Athletes will be ranked according to their position of finish and by the quality of their performance. The athlete or crew will be assessed by the National Junior Coach and High Performance Director utilizing some or all of the following criteria:

- Discipline ranking list
- Relative achievement of the U17 performance indicator
- Time differential from the winner
- Performance comparisons in other events within the discipline
- Performance comparisons across other disciplines
- Performance comparisons against seniors
- Consideration for left/right side assessment in men's canoe

### *Singles Events: Men's K-1 1000m, K-1 200m, Women's K-1 500m, K-1 200m,*

The U17 eligible Athletes who achieve the highest position of finish in one of the indicated singles event, AND a Junior U17 Performance indicator may be selected to the team:

- M K-1 1000m

- M K-1 200m
- MC-1 1000m
- M C-1 200m
- W K-1 500m
- W K-1 200m

***Tandem Events:***

The U17 crew who achieves the highest position of finish AND achieves a U17 Performance indicator in the following tandem races may be nominated to the Olympic Hopes Team:

- M K-2 1000m
- M C-2 1000m
- W K-2 500m

Note: Both athletes in the crew MUST be U17 eligible athletes.

***Additional Ranking List Athletes:***

After identifying athletes who satisfy the criteria above, additional athletes **may be** nominated from the Discipline Combined Ranking List to the Olympic Hopes Regatta Team.

For an athlete to be considered for a nomination to the Olympic Hopes Regatta Team from the Discipline Ranking List, an athlete must:

- Demonstrate the potential to achieve the Minimum U17 Performance Indicator

AND

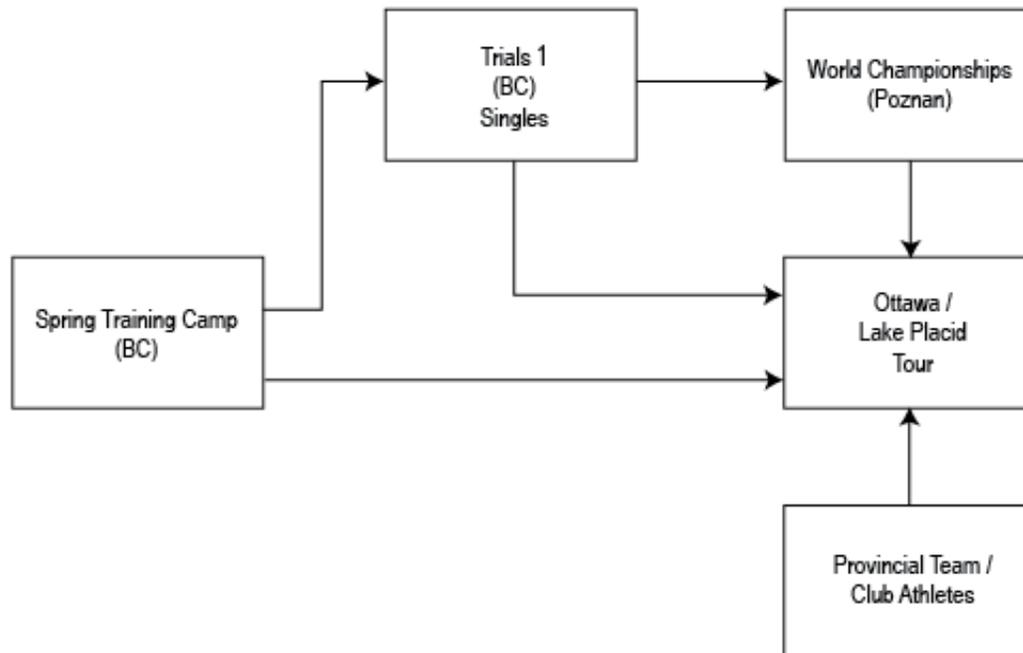
- Be the next eligible and available athlete with the next highest point total on the Discipline Ranking List

AND

- In the opinion of the NDC and HPD, have demonstrated they will contribute to a crew or crews that will compete at the 2012 Olympic Hopes Regatta.

The discipline combined ranking list will be compiled on the basis of points awarded for position of finish in the Junior A or B finals in singles events as outlined in the Canada Day – Lake Placid International Regatta selection criteria.

## APPENDIX E - PARACANOE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS



### Notes:

The objective of the 2012 selection policy is to increase participation and increase Canadian level of International performance. In the progression towards the Paralympic Games in 2016 this high performance focus will narrow to support Paralympic events only. The 2016 Paralympic events are still to be determined and confirmed by the ICF therefore, CKC will provide equal opportunity to athletes competing in any of the singles events being held at the 2012 Paracanoe World Championships / ICF Sprint World Cup 2 at Poznan (see below):

### Events Available For Selection to the 2012 World Championship Events

Women's	Men's
K1 200m (LTA)	K1 200m (LTA)
K1 200m (TA)	K1 200m (TA)
K1 200m (A)	K1 200m (A)
V1 200m (LTA)	V1 200m (LTA)
V1 200m (TA)	V1 200m (TA)
V1 200m (A)	V1 200m (A)

### Selection to World Championships

- Selection to the World Championships Team is based on results at Trials 1.
- The first placed athlete at Trials 1 in each of the 12 singles events, who also achieves minimum Performance Indicator, will be considered for nomination to the Senior World Championships Team.
- The HPC along with the HPD reserve the right to determine whether or not an athlete meets the Performance Indicator in the corresponding event.

- In the event that an athlete qualifies for the Worlds team in multiple events, the Paracanoe coaching staff in consultation with the HPD will decide which event the athlete will enter at the World Championships depending on the final race card. The athlete will compete in the event that it's believed he / she will be most competitive.
- Those athletes who have demonstrated a high level of performance on the international stage by winning a gold medal in their event at the 2011 World Championships have earned a 'qualifier' status. This applies to Christine Gauthier and Christine Selinger.
- If a qualifier crew does not win their event at Trials 1, the qualifier crew may request to the HPC that they be given the opportunity to participate in a race-off with the winning crew in their event at Trials 1. The HPC, in its sole discretion, will determine whether the automatic elimination of the reigning World Champion crew would be contrary to CKC's goal of ensuring that the best Canadian crews represent Canada at the Paracanoe World Championships. The onus is on the qualifier crew to demonstrate that their inability win their event at Trials 1 was an anomaly (e.g. due to a broken paddle) and that there is a reasonable expectation that they could beat the 1st place crew in a race-off.
- If the HPC decides that this is the case, the qualifier crew and the 1st place crew in the event at Trials 1 will participate in a race-off, to be immediately held the weekend of Trials 1, and the winner of the race-off will be awarded the Paracanoe World Championship entry.

### ***World Championships, Poznan, Poland***

Travel dates: May 11th to 21<sup>st</sup>. Competition dates: May 17th – 20th

Athletes who are selected for the World Championships team will receive funding to cover travel, food and accommodation. In the event that an athlete is selected to the World Championships team, but that event is subsequently removed from the World Championship event schedule, or it is no longer an official World Championship event, CKC reserves the right not to send the athlete to the World Championships. Note that at the 2011 World Championships several events were not held.

### ***Lake Placid – Competitions and Training Camp***

Tour Dates: June 29<sup>th</sup> to July 8<sup>th</sup>:

- Ottawa Canada Day Regatta: June 30<sup>th</sup> and July 1<sup>st</sup>
- Lake Placid Regatta: July 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>

National Team athletes as well as new athletes to the National Program are encouraged to participate in the Lake Placid / Ottawa International Tour. The tour will include the Canada Day Regatta in Ottawa, a training camp in Lake Placid and the Lake Placid International Race. Canada will enter a maximum of 2 athletes in each of the 12 Paracanoe events. If there are 3 or more athletes from the same event (ex. Men K1 LTA or Women V1 A) all participating in the Lake Placid / Ottawa International Tour, the top 2 athletes may compete for Canada.<sup>1</sup>

### ***Selection to Lake Placid / Ottawa International Tour Team***

Selection to the LP / Ottawa Tour Team is based on results at Trials 1 Results. The first and second placed athletes at Trials 1 in each of the 12 singles events will be nominated to the LP / Ottawa Tour Team. All athletes named to the

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<sup>1</sup> Athletes may also compete as members of their club and/or provincial teams, subject to meeting the qualification criteria established for those teams.

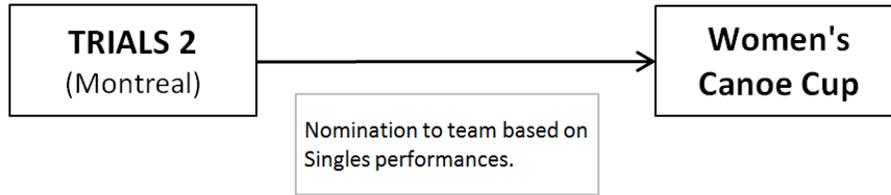
Lake Placid / Ottawa International Tour Team must compete in both the Ottawa and Lake Placid regattas as well as the National Team Training Camp in Lake Placid in order to be eligible for any funding (see below for guidelines):

Those athletes who qualify for the 2012 World Championship Team will receive full funding for the Lake Placid / Ottawa International Tour. Those athletes who qualify for the Lake Placid / Ottawa International Tour Team but were not members of the Worlds Team will receive partial funding for the Lake Placid / Ottawa International Tour.

Depending on the number of athletes named to the team (2 per event = max 24 athletes) and how many additional athletes participate the Lake Placid / Ottawa International Tour, there may be a travel and accommodation subsidy available. This will be awarded in the following order:

- Those athletes who participated in BC Spring Camp Training Camp 2012
- Athletes who are training with a club coach and recommended by their Division
- Athletes new to Paracanoe activities

## APPENDIX F – WOMEN’S CANOE CUP



### *Notes:*

- CKC may only enter 4 athletes in to this event.
- Top 2 placed left sided and top 2 placed right-sided eligible and available athletes at Trials 2 in WC1 200m will be nominated to the Canoe Cup Team.
- Athletes will be expected to race in tandems, with decisions regarding crew boat combinations made by the relevant discipline coach.
- Performance Indicators are not required to be achieved to be nominated to the Team
- This event will be self-funded.

## **APPENDIX G - 2012 – 2013 NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**

### ***Introduction***

The purpose of CanoeKayak Canada's National Development Program is to provide enhanced training, monitoring, and competitive opportunities that facilitate the progression towards international-class competitive performances. Whether this quality of performance is attained while at the junior or senior level is not of issue. The priority is that all athletes within the CanoeKayak Canada – Sprint Racing Discipline (CKC-SRD) high performance system be provided with opportunities to achieve their full athletic potential. It is our intention that through the identification of athletes to a National Development Program, athletes may be able to access services provided through Canadian Sport Centres and Provincial Associations.

The CKC-SRD believes that the fundamental skills and competencies deemed necessary to become an international-class athlete are best developed sequentially and when appropriate to the individual.

For 2012-2013 athletes in the National Development Program will be comprised of a Senior Development component and a National Junior Development component.

### ***Team Size and Expectations***

There are no limitations (minimum or maximum) to the team size. The size of the team in any given year will be dictated by the performance of athletes according to criteria outlined below for each team.

The HPD in consultation with the National Development Coaches will, on the basis of results obtained at identified competitions, recommend to the HPC those athletes that in their opinion should be nominated. The approval of all nominations is the responsibility of the HPC. The HPC shall ensure that such nominations adhere to the procedures and criteria contained within this Handbook. In addition, considerations such as funding and other resources, will affect the final decision if an athlete is added to the team.

Although an athlete is named to a team, this does not automatically guarantee that the athlete will be involved with all National Development Program projects. Invitation and participation in specific projects may be limited based on various factors such as budget, individualization of the training program, commitment to National development program, monitoring of performance metrics, etc. More of this information will be provided in the National Development Program athlete handbook.

### ***Definitions***

#### **Senior Development**

The Senior Development Program is intended to identify and foster the development of athletes who are making the transition from Junior to Senior, and developing towards Gold Medal standards. In addition, with the inclusion of a U23 Sprint World Championships starting 2013, another focus of the program will be in the area of preparation for the championships. Particular emphasis is placed on establishing an enhanced training environment to enhance the potential for progressing towards future performances at the Senior World Championship or Olympic level.

#### **National Junior Team**

To be considered for a 2012-2013 *National Junior Development Program* nomination, athletes must satisfy ICF rules and regulations for the junior category such that they would be eligible to compete in 2013. [www.canoeicf.com](http://www.canoeicf.com)

The objectives behind nominating athletes to the Junior National development program are to identify eligible potential athletes for the 2013 World Championships, and to provide enhanced training and monitoring opportunities for the identified athletes. For 2012-2013, the identification of athletes who may compete at the 2013 Junior World Championships is a priority.

***Selection Criteria:***

The following selection criteria will be used to nominate and select athletes to the 2012-2013 **Senior** National Development Program.

- 2012-2013 athletes who are nominated for Athlete Assistance Program (AAP) Development Cards.
- U23 Athletes who are nominated to the 2012 International Tour Team.
- Athletes who are members of the 2012 Pan American Championships Team.
- Athletes who are members of the Canada Day / Lake Placid International Regattas Team, and are not ICF Jr eligible in 2013.
- An athlete who achieves a Minimum Senior Performance Indicator (U21, U23 or Sr), as described in the table of Performance Indicators in the Sport Canada AAP Selection Criteria.
- ICF 2012 Junior eligible athletes, who demonstrate through Olympic distance performance at the National Team trials or National Championships, that he or she is progressing towards later success at the senior International level based on achievement against CKC's U18 Junior Performance Indicators (see table of Performance Indicators) for later success at the Junior international level.
- Senior development athletes who demonstrate through performance in Olympic Distances that he or she is progressing towards later success at the senior International level based on achievement against performance indicators at various stages of development (U18, U21, U23, Sr) may be identified and selected for the senior development program.

See table of Performance Indicators (Appendix H) for more information.

The following selection criteria will be used to nominate and select athletes to the 2012-2013 Junior National Development Program.

- ICF 2013 Junior Eligible Athletes who are nominated to the 2012 Olympic Hopes regatta.
- ICF 2013 Junior Eligible Athletes who are nominated to the 2012 Canada Day – Lake Placid tour.
- ICF 2013 Junior Eligible Athletes who achieve the following singles performances at the 2011 CKC Sprint National Championships:
  - A top 3 performance in a midget 1000m event.
  - A top 3 performance in a midget 200m event.
  - A combined Top 5 Ranking, based on the points allocation indicated below, from Midget 1000m, 200m, and 6000m results.
  - Women's kayak or canoe with a combined top 3 ranking, based on the points allocation indicated below, in the juvenile women's 500m and 200m.

- Men's canoe or men's kayak with a combined top 3 ranking, based on the points allocation indicated below, in the juvenile men's 1000m and 200m events.
- The following points system will be used to create a combined ranking list for selection to the junior national development program.

Position of Finish	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Points	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3

- ICF 2013 Junior eligible athletes, who demonstrate through performance in Olympic distance singles events at the National Team trials or National Championships, that he or she is progressing towards later success at the Junior international level on track based on performance against CKC's U17 Junior Performance Indicator.

See table of Performance Indicators (Appendix H) for more information.

## APPENDIX H - PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

### *2012 Performance Indicator Times for Performance Assessment*

CKC has established Performance Indicators for certain events. The Performance Indicator Time is the race time, recorded in an official event in 'good conditions', which is deemed by the HPC to represent a required level of performance in international competition. An athlete can achieve the Performance Indicator Time by *recording the prescribed race time in good conditions, in the official event in question*. In the absence of good conditions, evidence of ability to achieve the required level of performance can be demonstrated by recording a race time measured as a percentage of a different athlete's or crew's race time, in other events within the discipline or across other disciplines, which the HPC deems is evidence of achievement of the required level of performance.

To establish the Performance Indicator Times, results from the World Championships and Olympic Games between 2006 and 2011 have been used. Evidence of 'good conditions' (no greater than 1.5 m.s<sup>-1</sup> wind in any direction), as measured by either CKC staff at the event in the first instance, or as published by the competition organisers, or otherwise, must have been present for the results to be used in the analysis. Linear regression analysis was used to establish the relationship between performance time and position of finish in each of the Olympic events, with the resulting models used to determine the time associated with each position of finish. This created an estimate of the time for each event that takes into account slight variations in conditions and depth of performance year to year.

The times calculated from the linear regression were reviewed by CKC national team discipline coaches to ensure that they are representative of the times expected to be required to achieve the target level of performance at the Senior World Championships (or Olympics). Where the coaches believed, based on their knowledge, expertise, and experience, that the calculated time was slower than what would be required, the coaches recommended alternative target times, and these times are marked with an asterisk in the table below.

Event	CKC 2012 Sr. World Championships Gold Medal Time (Worlds 1 <sup>st</sup> place equivalent)	2012 Sr. Performance Indicator (Worlds 9 <sup>th</sup> place equivalent)	Development-U23 Performance Indicator (Worlds 12 <sup>th</sup> place equivalent)	Junior U17 Performance Indicator (Jr. Worlds 9 <sup>th</sup> place equivalent)
	(m.ss.0)	(m.ss.0)	(m.ss.0)	(m.ss.0)
WK1 200m	0:40.6	0:41.8	0:42.2	0:45.0
WK1 500m	1:50.6	1:52.7*	1:55.3	2:02.1
WK2 500m	1:41.3	1:44.0*	1:45.6*	1:54.4
WK4 500m	1:32.9	1:35.5*	1:37.0*	-
MK1 200m	0:35.1	0:36.0	0:36.4	0:38.0
MK2 200m	0:32.1	0:32.9	0:33.2	0:35.5
MK1 1000m	3:28.3	3:35.3	3:37.9	3:46.8
MK2 1000m	3:13.9	3:18.8	3:20.7	3:29.2
MK4 1000m	2:53.0*	2:57.0*	3:00.5*	-
MC1 200m	0:39.3	0:41.0	0:41.6	0:43.0
MC1 1000m	3:53.2	4:03.2	4:06.9	4:14.5
MC2 1000m	3:33.0*	3:40.0*	3:47.1	3:53.6

**\*Calculated time overridden based on CKC national discipline coach advice.**

### ***Paracanoe Performance Indicator Times***

The Performance Indicator Times are based on the 2011 World Championships results and correspond to the second to last finished athlete's time in the final for each event (i.e. the 8th place athlete in a 9 boat final and the 5th placed athlete in a 6 boat final). In the events where there was only 1 entry, the winning time is the minimum performance indicator.

<b>Paracanoe</b>				
<b>Event</b>	<b>(m.ss.0)</b>		<b>Event</b>	<b>(m.ss.0)</b>
WK1 LTA	1:12.3		MK1 LTA	0:51.2
WK1 TA	1:08.7		MK1 TA	0:56.2
WK1 A	1:26.6		MK1 A	1:10.1
WV1 LTA	1:30.7		MV1 LTA	1:05.5
WV1 TA	1:31.7		MV1 TA	1:13.1
WV1 A	1:52.7		MV1 A	1:30.8

### ***Measurement of Environmental Conditions***

At pre-determined positions on the race course, either on the water or on the bank, an identified official will record weather conditions (wind speed and direction) that take place during the race in question. Measurements will be taken for each race, to the best of our abilities, to reflect the conditions that the athlete is experiencing on the course. The HPD will use this information to determine, in his/her discretion, whether good conditions prevail and whether performances in that race may be measured against the Performance Indicator. The alternate means of achieving the Performance Indicator will be considered only in the absence of good conditions. For the purposes of this document, 'good conditions' are deemed to exist when the average wind speed recorded over the course of one minute does not exceed 1.5 m/s in any direction.

### ***Rounding of Times***

Any performance times to be compared against the Performance Indicator times will be rounded to the nearest 10<sup>th</sup> of a second. For example to achieve the SR Performance Indicator Time for Women's K1 200m of 41.8 seconds (in good conditions), times of 41.84 seconds and below will be deemed to have met the Performance Indicator (in good conditions), whereas times of 41.85 seconds and above (in good conditions) will be deemed not to have achieved the Performance Indicator.