



Canoe Sprint & Paracanoe International Panel Statement Friday 28th February 2025

The International Panel has prepared the following important updates in this statement ahead of the start of the 2025 International season. The updates are a combination of providing more detail that was promised by 1st March once there was greater clarity from ICF and ECA which also includes some important corrections to the published policies as a result of this.

Selection Registration for 2025 - Action Required:

You are reminded that **all athletes** wishing to be considered for selection to a GBR team during 2025 should complete the online registration document by Sunday 16th March 2025 which can be found [here](#)

Erratum of selection policies:

The IP has reviewed the 2025 policies published in December 2024 and has updated the following policies to reflect errors or changes to ICF/ECA events announced in February 2025:

Canoe Sprint Senior policy:

- Men's K2 200m, K2 1000m, C2 1000m and Women's K2 200m and C1 1000m are no longer at World Cup or European/World Championship events so section 8, table 2 and section 9, table 5 have been updated accordingly

Canoe Sprint U23 Policy:

- Men's K2 1000m & C2 1000m are no longer at U23 World Championship events and Women's C1 1000m is not in the World or European Championship event programme so section 9, table 2 has been updated accordingly
- There was an error in the U23 policy for pools - section 8.5 should also have referenced 1000m in addition to 200m and 500m events and has been updated accordingly.

Canoe Sprint Junior Policy:

- Men's K1 200m and C1 200m are now included in the World Championship programme so this is updated in table 2.
- Women's C1 1000m is no longer at the junior European and World Championships so table 2 has been updated accordingly.
- Junior Men's K2 1000m, Men's C2 1000m are only at the Junior European Champs so table 3 is updated
- Junior Women's C2 200m is added to table 3 for the European Champs only

Paracanoe selection policy:

- Performance Standards: We apologise that the data contained in Appendix A of the 2025 Paracanoe selection policy relating to Performance Standards is incorrect. The table in Appendix A of this document is the corrected version which is also in the updated policy.

Paracanoe Updates:

Eligibility for 2025 Paracanoe selection regattas:

As committed to in section 3 of the published 2025 selection policy, as of 28.2.2025 the athletes listed in Appendix B in this document have achieved the regatta qualification time and performance standards to be eligible to compete in the 2025 selection regattas.

Canoe Sprint Updates:

5000m Selection for the 2025 Senior World Championships

As part of the updates from the ICF, it has recently been confirmed that all 5kms at senior races this year will be six laps/five portage format. It is intended that selection for the 5k events for the senior World Championships will be selected at the July regatta but final confirmation of the date and format for the race will be confirmed by Friday 18th April once options can be agreed. Note that the 5k team for World Cups and Euros will remain selected from within the published pool primarily to those athletes selected to race in the longest single distance.

Clarification of Coaching Decisions in crew boat processes:

In the IP Statement of the 16th December 2024, the IP committed to publishing who will make the coaching decisions relating to crew boat processes ahead of the season. The decision makers will be:

- The Coaching Team Decision for Senior will be made by: Hannah Brown, Anton Vazquez, Ekaitz Saies and James Train.
- The Coaching Team Decision for U23 will be made by: Anton Vazquez, Sam Glover, Hannah Brown and James Train.
- Note that for junior crew boat processes, this sits outside the IP and please look out for a separate communication on the crew boat process and composition of the decision making panel.

Important Information for 2025/2026 Senior Winter Squads:

The aim of having a named winter training squad is to create clarity on who may be invited to additional training opportunities across the winter period. As part of the senior team performance strategy it is important to continue and accelerate the development of crew boat skills and to explore different combinations through training in the winter period.

Entry to the 2025/2026 Senior Winter Training Squad:

Any athlete who qualified for the 2025 senior pool will be nominated for the Winter Training Squad.

Any athlete selected for 2025 U23 European or U23 World Championship Teams can be nominated for the winter training squad at the discretion of the Senior Coaching Team (defined above).

The senior coaching team can nominate additional athletes to the winter training squad based on their discretion from performances at the July and/or September Regattas. We encourage athletes and coaches to engage with the senior coaching team throughout the year to understand what events would be beneficial to participate in to demonstrate their performance level.

ICF/ECA Updates:

In case you have not seen it, the [ICF](#) and the ECA (see Appendix C in this document) have both confirmed the standardised event format for each level of competition. For information, the ICF have also added dates for the 2026 calendars on their website too.

Questions?

The International panel recognises that the selection policy can seem a complicated process and in the situation that you have a question about the application of the policy or wish to simply discuss an aspect of the selection process then we would welcome the opportunity to assist. If you have any questions, please contact the IP through this email: enquiries.internationalpanel@paddleuk.org.uk.

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Appendix A:

the corrected version of the 2025 Paracanoe Performance Standards is below:

2025 Selection Standards					
Class	Classification	Regatta Qualification Time (125%)	Development Selection Time (115%)	Performance Selection Time (109%)	World Leading Time (WL)
Men K1	KL3 M	49.14	45.21	42.85	39.31
	KL2 M	52.01	47.85	45.35	41.61
	KL1 M	57.74	53.12	50.35	46.19
Men V1	VL3 M	59.79	55.00	52.13	47.83
	VL2 M	64.34	59.19	56.10	51.47
	VL1 M	82.49	75.89	71.93	65.99
Women K1	KL3 W	58.80	54.10	51.27	47.04
	KL2 W	60.99	56.11	53.18	48.79
	KL1 W	66.24	60.94	57.76	52.99
Woman V1	VL3 W	71.95	66.19	62.74	57.56
	VL2 W	72.88	67.05	63.55	58.30
	VL1 W	100.88	92.81	87.96	80.70

Appendix B - Eligibility for 2025 Paracanoe selection regattas:

As of 28.2.2025 the athletes listed in Appendix B in this document have achieved the regatta qualification time and performance standards to be eligible to compete in the 2025 selection regattas:

KL1 Women	KL2 Women	KL3 Women	VL1 Women	VL2 Women	VL3 Women
Jeanette Chippington	Charlotte Henshaw	Laura Sugar		Emma Wiggs	Charlotte Henshaw
	Emma Wiggs	Hope Gordon		Jeanette Chippington	Hope Gordon
		Lindsay Thorpe		Ellen Field	
KL1 Men	KL2 Men	KL3 Men	VL1 Men	VL2 Men	VL3 Men
	Dave Phillipson	Rob Oliver	Taylor Gough	Ed Clifton	Jack Eyers
	Jon White	Jonny Young		Xander Van Der Poll	Stu Wood
		Jon Tarrant			
		Charlie Knowlden			

Appendix C:

ECA events 2025-2028:

SENIOR	CANOE SPRINT -23 singe entry			
200m	K1 200m	K1 200m	C1 200m	C1 200m
				C2 200m
500m	K1 500m	K1 500m	C1 500m	C1 500m
	K2 500m	K2 500m	C2 500m	C2 500m
	K4 500m	K4 500m	XC4 500m	
1000m	K1 1000m	K1 1000m	C1 1000m	
5000m	K1 5000m	K1 5000m	C1 5000m	C1 5000m

JUN&U23	CANOE SPRINT - 21+21 singe entry			
200m	K1 200m	K1 200m	C1 200m	C1 200m
				C2 200m
500m	K1 500m	K1 500m	C1 500	C1 500m
	K2 500m	K2 500m	C2 500m	C2 500m
	K4 500m	K4 500m	XC4 500m	
1000m	K1 1000m	K1 1000m	C1 1000m	
	K2 1000m		C2 1000m	
5000m				

PARACANOE - 12 double entry			
KL1 200m	KL1 200m	VL1 200m	VL1 200m
KL2 200m	KL2 200m	VL2 200m	VL2 200m
KL3 200m	KL3 200m	VL3 200m	VL3 200m