

Regulations of Digital Ballot for English membership Nominated Director

In accordance with Article 43 and Article 48 (a)(i), the Board have set out the following regulations governing the digital ballot for the election of an English Membership nominated Director.

1. Voting eligibility

- 1.1. Any full individual member¹ (18 years of age or older), whose National Association membership is held with British Canoeing (trading as Paddle UK) will have one vote to exercise in the ballot. This includes On the Water and On the Bank membership.
- 1.2. The determining factor for eligibility is the membership being with British Canoeing (trading as Paddle UK), and not related to where an individual lives.

2. Voting window

- 2.1. Eligible individuals will be invited to cast their one vote for their preferred candidate via a digital online ballot which will be open for a two-week period.

3. Communications

- 3.1. Information about the digital ballot will be published on the Paddle UK website, and each eligible member will receive an email with information on the ballot and how to vote.
- 3.2. The individual voting will need to confirm their membership number to submit their vote.

4. Information on candidates

- 4.1. Paddle UK will present each candidate's information in a consistent and clear way on the Paddle UK website.
- 4.2. The information presented will be a short statement provided by the individual.

5. Logistics of voting

- 5.1. The system is one member, one vote, and the candidate with the highest number of votes will be elected.
- 5.2. There is not a proxy vote system in place. Individual members must cast their own vote.
- 5.3. If a candidate withdraws from the process part-way through the voting, then any votes cast for that individual will be lost.

6. Tied vote

- 6.1. If two or more candidates receive an equal number of votes, the Chair shall have the casting vote to determine which candidate will be elected as a Director.

¹ Full members will be either "On the Bank" or "On the Water" members of British Canoeing (trading as Paddle UK).



6.2. The Chair shall exercise the casting vote in a way which ensures (as far as is possible) the candidate elected gives the best representation of the Full Individual Members entitled to vote in the election.

7. Outcome of vote

7.1. The result of the election will be communicated to members within 14 days of the close of the digital ballot.

7.2. The result of the election will be formally announced at the AGM that follows the election.

8. Reasonable adjustments

8.1. Whilst in accordance with our Articles of Association, this is a digital ballot, Paddle UK aims for the ballot to be clear and accessible to all members eligible to vote, and therefore we will take reasonable steps to accommodate any reasonable adjustments you may have to enable you to access this digital ballot, and provide such assistance as you may reasonably require. For a discussion on any adjustment you may require please contact:

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