

# Paddle UK Canoe Slalom & Kayak Cross

## International Panel Statement

### International Panel – Selection Announcement – 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2024

Firstly, huge thanks are due to the amazing volunteers who made the race happen in such a professional way and in particular thanks to Dave Spencer who organised the race and who compiled the selection points tables once again. It was great to be able to deliver a full format kayak cross race to enable athletes to experience head-to-head racing so thank you for everyone's help in making this happen as it was not without its challenges.

#### 1. 2024 Great Britain Kayak Cross Teams:

Following the 2024 Kayak Cross team selection process held at Lee Valley White Water Centre, subject to appeal and the senior team released race policy (sec 11) the following athletes have achieved the required performance standards and are selected in accordance with the published policy:

#### Great Britain Senior World Cups 1,2<sup>^</sup>,3 & European~ Championship Team 2024

MX1	WX1
Joe Clarke*	Kimberley Woods* <sup>^</sup>
Jonny Dickson <sup>^</sup>	Mallory Franklin*
Ben Haylett <sup>^</sup>	Nikita Setchell <sup>^</sup>
Jake Brown~ <sup>^</sup>	Phoebe Spicer~
Reserve	Reserve
Sam Leaver	Lois Leaver <sup>^</sup>
Thomas Mayer	Ellis Miller

\*Pre-selected in accordance with section 5 of the published selection policy as nominations to the Paris 2024 Olympic Team

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<sup>^</sup> The top 3 eligible athletes will enter World Cup 2 in Prague in line with ICF rules.

#### Great Britain U23 World & European~ Championship Team 2024

MX1	WX1
Jonny Dickson	Lois Leaver
Ben Haylett	Ellis Miller
Sam Leaver	Macy Kang
Thomas Mayer~	Katie Shattock~
Reserve	Reserve
Luke Kevane	Hannah Rhodes
Edward McDonald	Joanna Blythe-Shields

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#### Great Britain Junior World & European~ Championship Team 2024

MX1	WX1
Jonah Hanrahan	Arina Kontchakov
Gwion Williams	Darcey McMullins
Oscar Wyllie	Sofia Alfer
Scott Richie~	Sadie Sterry~
Reserve	Reserve
Nathan Nabili	Olwen Yates
Harry Kirby	Sennah Nader-Humphries

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## 2. Paris 2024 – Olympic Team Nomination – Stage 2

In line with the published 2024 Olympic selection policy, the International Panel considered the process outlined for stage 2 of the policy. It was agreed that no further nominations will be made to the British Olympic Association at this stage 2 of the selection process.

The meeting finalised the date of the international panel meeting to determine any nominations as part of the final stage of the policy (stage 3) which will be held at 3pm on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2024. Please be aware that due to the proximity to the Olympic Games a fast track 24 'intention to appeal' timeline has been applied from the Paddle UK Director of Governance. The International Panel anticipates publishing the outcome of the stage 3 selection process on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June.

### **IMPORTANT – Acceptance of places**

For the GBR Senior Kayak Cross team 2024: Athletes will be contacted by the team manager with the 2024 logistics briefing. Athletes are asked to confirm their intentions to take up their place in the 2024 SNR Canoe Slalom team by the **8th of April 2024** by completing a form shared in the logistics briefing.

For the GBR U23 and Junior Kayak Cross team 2024: Athletes will be contacted by the team manager with the 2024 logistics briefing. Athletes are asked to confirm their intentions to take up their place in the 2024 U23 and Junior Kayak Cross team **AFTER** the HPP selection race and by the **22nd of April 2024** (*after the GBR U23 and Junior Canoe Slalom team 2024 announcement*) by completing a form shared in the logistics briefing.

### **Announcement of selection dates and venue(s) for 2025:**

The International Panel has discussed provisional dates and venues for the 2025 selection series. The International Panel has identified two provisional weekends of the 29/30 March and 12/13 April 2025 at Lee Valley and Nottingham and will now work with the slalom committee, venues and identify potential race organisers before final confirmation.

In reaching the proposals for 2025 dates and venues, the IP has considered many factors including the additional costs for volunteers and competitors and the clash with Easter, that Scottish school exams start around the 22<sup>nd</sup> April and a desire to combine Junior, U23 & Senior selection with at least one premier race at each weekend depending upon the final agreed format. Full detail of the format and policy detail will be determined following a review of the 2024 process after the HPP race and a consultation on next year's policy late in 2024.

### **Appeals**

The Paddle UK selection policy has a clear appeal process as outlined in the policy and can be found [here](#). Please remember that any appeal must be submitted within 2 working days of the publication of this statement to the Director of Governance at: [appeals@paddleuk.org.uk](mailto:appeals@paddleuk.org.uk). Any Appeal would be heard by three members of the Paddle UK Disciplinary and Appeal Panel Register (More details can be found [here](#)). If you object to any potential Panel members hearing your Appeal, please detail this in your Notice of Appeal as well as outlining the reasons for the objection.

### **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 chair of the IP at [andy.maddock@paddleuk.org.uk](mailto:andy.maddock@paddleuk.org.uk).