



Selection Criteria for NSW Junior U16 and U18 and U21 State Team 2023

Preamble

The state team concept has been introduced by Paddle Australia as a way of improving and promoting the competition at the junior level. The pathway program will assist in the provision of specific state team coaching, competitions and basic paddling uniforms. It is hoped that PA will provide funding for some of the uniform items. If this does not happen athletes may be required to contribute to the state team uniform.

At the conclusion of the selection process the nominated U16 state team will be approved by the National Pathways Manager, Paddle Australia. The U18 team and U21 will be approved by the NSW selection panel (as indicated below). In securing your place on the state team you agree to attend scheduled state team trainings for the development of team boats for the national championships in March 2023. You will only be excused from state team training in exceptional circumstances. Failure to attend state team trainings may result in your exclusion from the team or from specific team boats moving forward. In other words, if you don't train in the boat don't expect to be in the boat.

At the national championships in March, only nominated state team boats (consisting of full state team crews) can be considered for the U16 Asia Pacific Sprint Cup team selection. At the U18 level this is not a requirement, but we will be looking to get the best crews on the water.

Event

The selection event for the NSW state team shall be the PNSW Sprint Canoe Championships on the 21/22 January 2023. For the purpose of automatic selection to the state team only state championship winners will be auto selected provided they meet the nominated performance standard.

Team Size

The team size shall be

- U16 a maximum of 8 boys and 8 girls providing prognostic times are achieved. The U16 team must be approved and ratified by the National Pathways Manager from Paddle Australia.
- U18 team a maximum of 6 boys and 6 girls pending the achievement of prognostic times.
- U21 team a maximum of 4 men and 4 women pending the achievement of prognostic times

At the absolute discretion of the selection panel additional, athletes may be included in the U18 and U21 category should the prognostic standards be achieved by additional athletes up to a maximum of two in each age category.

At the absolute discretion of the selection panel, a team of up to 4 in the U18 and U21 teams may be considered if prognostic times are not achieved. Athletes will need to demonstrate improvement from the 2022 season.

Selection Criteria

1. To be considered for the team athletes must first achieve a prognostic time in one of the following events
 1. U16 prognostic: 76% in K1. 78% in K2
 2. U18 prognostic: 85%
 3. U21 prognostic 87%

	U16	U18	U21
MK1 1000	4:28.43	4:00.00	3:54.49
MK 1 500	2:05.72	1:52.40	1:49.82
MK2 500	1:51:35	1:42.18	1:39.83
WK1 500	2:20.85	2:05.94	2:03.04
WK1 200	0:50.78	0:45.40	0:44.36
WK2 500	2:05.40	1:55.07	1:52.43

This is 4% below national standard for NSWIS categorisation and inclusion

2. The winner of the following events at the NSW championships (providing they achieve the prognostic time) will be automatically selected to the team:
 - U16/U18/U21 MK1 1000
 - U16/U18/U21 MK1 500
 - U16/U18/U21 MK2 500
 - U16/U18/U21 WK1 500
 - U16/U18/U21 WK1 200
 - U16/U18/U21 WK2 500
3. In the event there are less than 8 boys and 8 girls (U16) or 6 boys and 6 girls (U18) or 4 men/ 4 women (U21) meeting the prognostic time above, then all athletes, irrespective of finish place, who have achieved a prognostic time will be selected to the team after the winners.
4. In the event that there are more than 8 boys or 8 girls (U16) or 6 boys and 6 girls (U18), or 4 men and 4 women (U21) a point score will determine the filling of the remaining places on the team after the winners that have already been automatically selected to the team.
5. For the purpose of the point score, the boys will count their best 2 scores of 3 events. In the case of the girls, they will count the best 2 of 3 events.

Points will be awarded as follows

	MK1 500 WK1 500	MK1 1000 WK1 200	MK2 500 WK2 500
1	36	18	24
2	34	16	22
3	32	14	20
4	30	12	18
5	28	10	16
6	26	8	14
7	24	6	12
8	22	4	10
9	20	2	8
1st BF	18		
2nd BF	16		
3rd BF	14		

Athletes will be ranked following the allocation of points. In the event of a tie after allocating points, the athlete with the highest ranking in the MK1 500 or the WK1 500 will be selected to the team.

In the event interstate paddlers compete and place they will not be awarded points. The points will drop down and be awarded to the next placed NSW athlete until all points are allocated.

At the absolute discretion of the selection panel, U17 athletes may be considered for the U18 team if they have met a prognostic time of 81% and show improvement from their U16 times from the year before. If athletes wish to count the K2 for points, both athletes must be U17 age group in the year of competition.

U17 Prognostic Times (81%)

• MK1 1000	4:11.00	• WK1 500	2:12.00
• MK1 500	1:57.00	• WK1 200	0:47.00
• MK2 500	1:44.96	• WK2 500	2:00.00

Selection Panel

The selection panel shall be

- Christine Duff: NSW State Team Coordinator - Chair of Selectors
- Sally Simons: PaddleNSW Sprint Committee Chair
- Brett Worth: Coach MWKC
- Scott Cunningham: Coach Avoca Kayak Club