

FISU WORLD UNIVERSITY CANOE SPORTS CHAMPIONSHIPS- CANOE SPRINT SELECTION POLICY

1. Introduction

The FISU World University Canoe Sports Championships 2024 (“the event”) will take place in Montemor-o-Velho, Portugal with competition dates of the 21 August 2024 to 24 August 2024.

British Universities and Colleges Sport (BUCS) is sanctioning a GB Students delegation as National University Sports Federation (NUSF) to represent the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. The delegation is anticipated to arrive at Porto International Airport (OPO) on 19th August 2024 and depart on 25th August 2024.

2. Nominations

All athletes who wish to be considered for selection for the event must submit an online registration on the BUCS website by 11.59pm on 30th March 2024. All nominations will be open from 11th March.

3. Selection Event

Selection for the event will take place 13th-14th April at the National Canoe Sprint Regatta in Nottingham. Selected athletes will be notified by email by 26th April and the team announced by 10th May 2024. Due to the short turn around between selection and BUCS' financial commitment, full payment will be required by 6th May.

4. Athlete Costs

The cost of participation in this event will be £1285 per participant and will be required in full at the point of selection. Athletes submitting a nomination acknowledge this requirement and accept financial liability including in the case of withdrawal related to injury or illness upon their nomination.

5. Eligibility

5.1. For an individual to be eligible to represent BUCS/GB Students at the event they shall fulfil all of the following eligibility criteria:

- 5.1.1. Be a British (United Kingdom) national.
- 5.1.2. Be a registered student at an institution which is a recognised provider of Higher Education (HE).
- 5.1.3. Be at least 18 and no older than 25 years of age on 31 December of the year of the event.
- 5.1.4. Be registered on a course which is at or above one of the following minimum levels:
 - Level 4 on the Framework for higher education qualifications in England, Wales and Northern Ireland (FHEQ).

- Level 7 on the Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework (SCQF).
- Level 4 on the Regulated Qualifications Framework for England and Northern Ireland (RQF).
- Level 4 on the Credit and Qualifications Framework for Wales (CQFW).
- An individual at an institution outside of the UK shall be registered on a course equivalent to those covered in this section 3.1.4.

5.1.5. Be undertaking a study programme equivalent to:

- Where the course is credit rated under CATS (Credit Accumulation and Transfer Scheme), at least 60 credits per year.
- Where the course is run using guided learning hours, a minimum of 225 hours per year.
- Where the course is a postgraduate course which is not credit rated, no less than 50% of the full-time student programme per year.
- In this section 3.1.5 a year will be taken as 12 months from the start date of their course.
- An individual at an institution outside of the UK shall be undertaking a study programme equivalent to the requirements of 3.1.5.

5.1.6. Be an athlete who is permitted by Paddle UK to participate in FISU competition alongside any other competition in that sport.

5.2. **Special cases for participation** Further to any FISU regulations in place at the time, the following individuals are classified as eligible to represent BUCS/GB Students in FISU competitions:

5.2.1. Notwithstanding section 3.1.5, an individual who is otherwise eligible under section 3.1 on a sandwich/industrial placement as part of their course is eligible during this time.

5.2.2. A former student of an eligible institution (as per section 3.1.2) who has obtained an eligible qualification (as per section 3.1.4) from said institution in the calendar year preceding the event. For this event Students graduating in 2023 will be eligible to compete in 2024, as former students who have obtained their qualification in the calendar year preceding the event.

5.3. A student who would otherwise be eligible under section 3.1 who has their studies suspended will not be eligible to compete until such a time as their studies recommence.

5.4. **Transgender athletes** BUCS promotes a zero-tolerance approach to transphobia and any person or institution found to be in contravention of this regulation will face disciplinary action under the BUCS disciplinary procedure.

5.5. For this event, the policy on transgender participation of FISU and/or the International Federation whose sport specific regulations are being followed shall apply. Drug testing procedures and prohibitions also apply to athletes who identify as transgender. Any athlete receiving treatment involving a Prohibited Substance or Method, as described on the World Anti-Doping Agency's Prohibited List, should apply for a standard Therapeutic Use Exemption.

5.6. Please note that any athlete who is currently suspended or expelled by FISU, WADA, Paddle UK, or the International Canoe Federation International or National Federation is ineligible for selection.

5.7. Any individual who is serving a suspension as a result of an Anti-Doping rule violation will not be eligible to participate in any FISU competitions.

- 5.8. Allowing ineligible participants to represent an institution will result in appropriate disciplinary action being taken. Athletic Union or equivalent staff should in cases of doubt refer the circumstances to the BUCS Sport Compliance and Governance Manager.

6. Anti-Doping

- 6.1. Anti-Doping All participants in FISU competitions (including the event) are subject to the Anti-Doping rules of UK Anti-Doping (UKAD), the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA), FISU, and Paddle UK. As such:
 - 6.1.1. All participants are subject to testing.
 - 6.1.2. All participants must complete the UKAD Compete Clean+ eLearning course and upload a copy of their course certificate upon nomination. The Compete Clean+ eLearning can
 - 6.1.3. be accessed for free via the UKAD Clean Sport Hub. Once registered, athletes can click onto the relevant eLearning and complete the modules at their convenience. Compete Clean+ contains 11 modules which explore Anti-Doping topics including athletes' rights under the World Anti-Doping Code, UK Anti-Doping Rules, the Prohibited List, checking medications and supplements, the Testing Process and how to report concerns around doping in sport.

7. Performance Standard

The Selection and Nomination Panel will apply a performance standard to selection made under this policy to ensure athletes are of the appropriate level for the event they are being considered for. The detail of the application of performance standards can be found in Appendix 1. The Selection and Nomination Panel reserve the right to not apply a performance standard either at all or as prescribed in Appendix 1, where circumstances arise which in the Selection and Nomination Panel's reasonable opinion would make the application of the performance standard at Appendix 1 unsuitable.

8. Selection Criteria

- 8.1. Subject to an assessment of performance standard, a squad of up to 6 Kayak men and 6 Kayak women and up to 4 Canoe men/women will be selected from eligible athletes who have met the following criteria:
 - 8.1.1. Eligible athletes in kayak events who have registered for the event and who achieved a top 6 performance in an Olympic distance K1 at the April Regatta 13-14 April.
 - 8.1.2. Eligible athletes in canoe events who have registered for the event will be considered based on their performance in an Olympic distance C1 at the April Regatta 13-14 April.
- 8.2. If more athletes are proposed than quota places are available, the Selection and Nomination Panel will use their reasonable discretion to select the athletes most likely to achieve the best result at the event based on their informed professional judgment.
- 8.3. If athletes have been on injury status during the most recent season, this may be considered by the Selection and Nomination Panel as part of their deliberations.
- 8.4. Once the Selection Panel has confirmed the Squad, the U23 Coaches in consultation with other Paddle UK section coaches, will form singles and crew boats to maximise the Team's overall performance potential.

9. Selection and Nomination Panel

- 9.1. The Selection Panel and Nominations Panel which is responsible for the implementation of the Policy as outlined in the International Selection and Provision Framework (ISPF), will be chaired by an individual nominated by Paddle UK.
- 9.2. The Selection and Nominations Panel will consist of the following five voting members with a minimum of three members required to be present in order to make a selection meeting quorate:
 - Chris Furber: Performance Director, British Canoeing
 - Alex McKeown: Performance Pathway Manager, British Canoeing
 - Anton Vazquez Camino: U23 Coach, British Canoeing
 - Nick Fowler Rimmel: IP Member and Chair Sprint Racing Committee
 - Marc Forrest BUCS & GB Students International Performance Manager
- 9.3. All selection made under this policy will be without bias or discrimination, and, as such, any conflicts, real or perceived, must be declared and recorded at the start of the meeting. The existence of a disclosed conflict will not necessarily preclude a Selection and Nominations Panel member, or attendee, from participating in deliberations. Depending on the nature of the conflict a Selection and Nominations Panel member may have to abstain from voting if a vote is required.

10. Appeals

The Paddle UK Appeal Procedure applicable to selections made under this policy can be found [here](#). Any athletes who have questions regarding the appeals process may contact appeals@britishcanoeing.org.uk

Appendix 1- Performance Standards

Event	Senior WLT Time	WLT Time (in seconds)	1%	2%	3%	4%	5%	6%	7%	8%	9%	10%	11%	12%
			Senior Championships A and B final standard- Good Conditions* in HPP, Nottingham											
						U23 Championships A and B final standard- Good Conditions* in HPP, Nottingham								
									Junior Championships A and B final standard- Good Conditions* in HPP, Nottingham					
K1W 200m	00:38.93	38.93	39.32	39.71	40.10	40.49	40.88	41.27	41.66	42.04	42.43	42.82	43.21	43.60
K2W 200m	00:36.47	36.47	36.84	37.20	37.57	37.93	38.29	38.66	39.02	39.39	39.75	40.12	40.48	40.85
K1W 500m	01:47.63	107.63	108.71	109.78	110.86	111.94	113.01	114.09	115.16	116.24	117.32	118.39	119.47	120.55
K2W 500m	01:37.65	97.65	98.63	99.60	100.58	101.56	102.53	103.51	104.49	105.46	106.44	107.42	108.39	109.37
K4W 500m	01:30.12	90.12	91.02	91.92	92.82	93.72	94.63	95.53	96.43	97.33	98.23	99.13	100.03	100.93
K1W 1000m	03:53.54	233.54	235.88	238.21	240.55	242.88	245.22	247.55	249.89	252.22	254.56	256.89	259.23	261.56
K1M 200m	00:34.01	34.01	34.35	34.69	35.03	35.37	35.71	36.05	36.39	36.73	37.07	37.41	37.75	38.09
K2M 200m	00:31.00	31.00	31.31	31.62	31.93	32.24	32.55	32.86	33.17	33.48	33.79	34.10	34.41	34.72
K1M 500m	01:35.96	95.96	96.92	97.88	98.84	99.80	100.76	101.72	102.68	103.64	104.60	105.56	106.52	107.48
K2M 500m	01:27.64	87.70	88.58	89.45	90.33	91.21	92.09	92.96	93.84	94.72	95.59	96.47	97.35	98.22
K4M 500m	01:18.57	78.57	79.36	80.14	80.93	81.71	82.50	83.28	84.07	84.86	85.64	86.43	87.21	88.00
K1M 1000m	03:24.37	204.37	206.41	208.46	210.50	212.54	214.59	216.63	218.68	220.72	222.76	224.81	226.85	228.89
K2M 1000m	03:07.90	187.90	189.78	191.66	193.54	195.42	197.30	199.17	201.05	202.93	204.81	206.69	208.57	210.45
C1M 500m	01:46.75	106.75	107.82	108.89	109.95	111.02	112.09	113.16	114.22	115.29	116.36	117.43	118.49	119.56
C2M 500m	01:38.37	98.37	99.35	100.34	101.32	102.30	103.29	104.27	105.26	106.24	107.22	108.21	109.19	110.17
C1M 1000m	03:46.21	226.21	228.47	230.73	233.00	235.26	237.52	239.78	242.04	244.31	246.57	248.83	251.09	253.36
C2M 1000m	03:27.33	207.33	209.40	211.48	213.55	215.62	217.70	219.77	221.84	223.92	225.99	228.06	230.14	232.21
C1W 200m	00:45.35	45.35	45.80	46.26	46.71	47.16	47.62	48.07	48.52	48.98	49.43	49.89	50.34	50.79
C2W 200m	00:43.55	43.55	43.99	44.42	44.86	45.29	45.73	46.16	46.60	47.03	47.47	47.91	48.34	48.78
C1W 500m	02:05.99	125.99	127.25	128.51	129.77	131.03	132.29	133.55	134.81	136.07	137.33	138.59	139.85	141.11
C2W 500m	01:55.42	115.42	116.57	117.73	118.88	120.04	121.19	122.35	123.50	124.65	125.81	126.96	128.12	129.27

	Senior Course Records at HPP, Nottingham
	Junior Course Records at HPP, Nottingham. Note: Where course records are not noted they are outside of 112% of WLT.
	*Good Conditions are defined as a tail wind of between 1-2.5m/s, water temperature of 18°C.

