

SELECTION CRITERIA FOR THE CSP 2024 ICF USA JR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM

A. OBJECTIVES

The objective of this selection is to fairly select our best aged paddlers for the ICF Juniors CSP WCH. This will help build our team's talent and experience towards the 2028 Los Angeles and 2032 Brisbane Olympics Games.

The last year an athlete can compete in the Junior age group is the year of their 18th birthday. All athletes wishing to be considered for the ICF Junior WCH National Team are required to have indicated their nomination for this event on the registration for this tour before **April 8th, 2024** and participate in the **Ted Houk Memorial Regatta**.

This year's Junior World Championships Team will be selected from the race results at the Ted Houk Regatta held June 8th and 9th on Green Lake, Seattle, WA. Rankings are calculated only from those eligible and who register with ACA for this tour by April 8th.

MAXIMUM TEAM SIZE

	Jr Women	Jr Men
Kayak	8	8
Canoe	8	8
Sub-Total	16	16
Total	Maximum 32	

MEN'S JUNIOR KAYAK TEAM

1. MEN'S JUNIOR K1 1000m SELECTION:

- The **WINNER (highest ranked US Junior)** in the Men's Junior K1 1000m event will be nominated to the Junior WCH Team and given the right of first refusal for that event.
- If the selected athlete declines the position on the Junior WCH Team or the Men's Junior K1 1000m event, it must be declined in writing before 5pm on the day of the event to the High Performance Committee (HP Manager, National Head Coaches & AAC Rep .) The nomination to the Junior WCH Team and the K1 1000m event, will then go to the next ranked athlete in the Men's Junior K1 1000m.

1.1.2. MEN'S JUNIOR K2 500m SELECTION:

- The **WINNING BOAT (highest ranked US Junior boat)** in the Men's Junior K2 1000m event will be selected to the Junior WCH Team, given the right of first refusal for that event and be selected into the boat pool.
- If either one or both of the athletes in the men's highest ranked K2 boat declines the Junior WCH Team or the Men's Junior K2 1000m event, it must be declined in writing before 5pm on the day of the event to the High-Performance Committee (HP Manager & National Head Coaches.) The nomination to the Men's Junior WCH Team and the right of first refusal for the Men's Junior K2 1000m event will go to the next ranked boat in the Men's Junior K2 1000m event.

1.1.3. MEN'S JUNIOR K4 500m SELECTION/ BOAT POOL RANKINGS

MEN'S JUNIOR KAYAK BOAT POOL RANKINGS:

1 & 2	K2 1000m winners (ranked in the order they finish in the K1 500m)
3	K1 500m winner
4	K1 500m second place
5	K1 500m third place
6	K1 500m fourth place
7+	The next ranked athletes in the K1 500m may be selected to the boat pool up to a maximum of 8 athletes

- Athletes will be chosen for the Junior WCH Team and Men's Junior K4 500m event from their rankings into the boat pool.
- If any athlete/s declines their position in the Junior WCH Team or boat pool, the next ranked athlete may be selected into the boat pool up to a maximum of 6 paddlers.

1.1.4. MEN'S JUNIOR KAYAK NON-OLYMPIC EVENT SELECTION WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP:

Non-Olympic events on the race cards will be contested from the athletes selected to the Junior WCH Team and boat pool. Paddlers making the Junior WCH Team and boat pool may be given the opportunity to contest non-Olympic events as determined by their ranking and until all Junior WCH races are filled to a maximum of 8 paddlers.

- **Mixed K2 500m** will be offered to the two fastest athletes in the Men's and Women's K1 500m in the Junior categories. If either or both athletes decline, then the Mixed K2 500m will be selected from the next ranked athlete in the respective singles event.
- **Mixed Relay** team will be selected from the boat pool with preference given to the highest ranked athletes in the most relevant event contested.

WOMEN'S JUNIOR KAYAK TEAM

1.2.1 WOMEN'S JUNIOR K1 500m SELECTION

- The **WINNING (highest ranked US Junior)** in the Women's Junior K1 500m event will be nominated to the Junior WCH Team and given the right of first refusal for that event.
- If the selected athlete declines the position on the Junior WCH Team or the Women's Junior K1 500m event, it must be declined in writing before 5pm on the day of the event to the High-Performance Committee (HP Manager, National Head Coaches & AAC Rep). The nomination to the Junior WCH Team and right of first refusal for the Women's Junior K1 500m will go to the next ranked athlete in the Women's Junior K1 500m event.

1.2.2. WOMEN'S JUNIOR K2 500m SELECTION:

- The **WINNING BOAT (highest ranked Junior boat)** in the Women's Junior K2 500m event will be nominated to the Junior WCH Team, given the right of first refusal for that event and be selected into the boat pool.
- If either one or both of the Women athlete's in the highest ranked K2 declines the Junior WCH Team or the WK2 500m, it must be declined in writing before 5pm on the day of the event to the High Performance Committee High Performance Committee (HP Manager, National Head Coaches & AAC Rep .) The nomination to the team and the right of first refusal for the women's K2 500m will go to the next ranked Junior boat in the WK2 500m event.

1.2.3. WOMEN'S JUNIOR K4 500m SELECTION/ BOAT POOL RANKINGS

WOMEN'S JUNIOR KAYAK BOAT POOL RANKINGS:

- Athletes will be chosen for the Women's K4 Junior WCH event from the rankings into the boat pool.
- Any athlete/s declining their position in the Junior WCH Team or boat pool, it must be

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3	K1 500m winner
4	K1 500m second place
5	K1 500m third place
6	K1 500m fourth place
7+	The next ranked athletes in the K1 500m may be selected to the boat pool up to a maximum of 8 athletes

declined in writing before 5pm on the day of the event to the High Performance Committee (HP Manager, National Head Coaches & AAC Rep). The next ranked athlete may be selected into the team and boat pool up to a maximum of 6 paddlers.

1.2.4. WOMEN'S JUNIOR KAYAK NON-OLYMPIC EVENT SELECTION WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

K1 & K2 non-Olympic events on the race cards will be contested from the athletes selected to the team and boat pool. Paddlers making the boat pool may be given the opportunity to contest non-Olympic events as determined by their ranking and until all Junior World Championship races are filled to the maximum of 8 female paddlers.

- **Mixed K2 500m** will be offered to the two fastest athletes in the Men's and Women's K1 500m in the Junior categories. If either or both athletes decline, then the K2 will be selected from the next ranked athlete in the respective singles event.
- **Mixed Relay** team will be selected from the boat pool with preference given to the highest ranked athletes in the most relevant event contested.

MEN'S JUNIOR CANOE TEAM

1.3.1 MEN'S JUNIOR C1 1000m SELECTION:

- The **WINNER (highest ranked US Junior)** in the Men's Junior C1 1000m event will be nominated to the Junior WCH Team and given the right of first refusal for that event.
- If the selected athlete declines the position on the Junior WCH Team, it must be declined in writing before 5pm on the day of the event to the High-Performance Committee (HP Manager, National Head Coaches & AAC Rep). The nomination to the Junior WCH Team will go to the next ranked athlete in the Junior Men's C1 1000m.

1.3.2. MEN'S JUNIOR C4 500m SELECTION/BOAT POOL RANKINGS:

MEN'S JUNIOR CANOE BOAT POOL RANKINGS:

- Athletes will be chosen for the Junior WCH Team and Men's Junior C4 500m event from their rankings into the boat pool.
- If any athlete/s declines their position in the Junior WCH Team or boat pool, the next ranked athlete may be selected into the boat pool up to a maximum of 6 paddlers.

1.3.3. MEN'S JUNIOR C-2 500m SELECTION

1& 2	C2 1000m winners (ranked in the order they finish in the C1 500m)	•
3	C1 500m winner	
4	C1 500m second place	
5	C1 500m third place	
6	C1 500m fourth place	
7+	The next ranked athletes in the C1 500m may be selected to the boat pool up to a maximum of 8 athletes	

The **WINNING BOAT (highest ranked US Junior boat)** in the men's Junior C2 1000m will be selected into the Men's Junior boat pool given the right of first refusal for that event and be selected into the boat pool.

- If one or more athletes decline their position in the boat pool, it must be declined in writing before 5pm on the day of the event to the High Performance Committee (HP Manager, National Head Coaches & AAC Rep). The next ranked athlete/s in the C1 500m may be nominated to the boat pool.
- The men's C2 500m entry at the Junior WCH will be finalized prior to the WCH Tour and if needed a variety of C2 combinations will be raced from the boat pool. The fastest boat combination will be nominated for the event at the Junior WCH.

1.3.4. MEN'S JUNIOR CANOE NON-OLYMPIC EVENT SELECTION WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP:

Non-Olympic events on the race cards will be contested from the athletes selected to the team and boat pool. Paddlers making the Junior boat pool may be given the opportunity to contest non-Olympic events as determined by their ranking and until all Junior World Championship races are filled to the maximum of 8 paddlers.

- **Mixed C2 500m** will be offered to the two fastest athletes in the Men's and Women's C1 500m in the Junior categories. If either or both athletes decline, it must be declined in writing before 5pm on the day of the C1 event to the High Performance Committee (HP Manager, National Head Coaches & AAC Rep). Then the C2 will be selected from the next ranked athletes of the respective singles event.
- **Mixed Relay** will be selected from the boat pool with preference given to the highest ranked athletes in the most relevant event contested.

WOMEN'S JUNIOR CANOE TEAM

1.4.1. WOMEN'S JUNIOR C1 200m SELECTION :

- The **WINNER (highest ranked US Junior)** in the Women's Junior 500m event will be nominated to the Junior WCH Team given the right of first refusal for that event and be selected into the boat pool.
- If the selected athlete declines the position on the Junior WCH Team, it must be declined in writing before 5pm on the day of the event to the High Performance Committee (HP Manager, National Head Coaches & AAC Rep). The nomination to the Junior WCH Team will go to the next ranked Junior athlete in the Women's Junior C1 500m .

1.4.2 WOMEN'S JUNIOR CANOE BOAT POOL:

WOMEN'S JUNIOR CANOE BOAT POOL RANKINGS:

1&2	C2 1000m winners (ranked in the order they finish in the C1 500m)
3	C1 500m winner
4	C1 500m second place
5	C1 500m third place
6	C1 500m fourth place
7+	The next ranked athletes in the C1 500m may be selected to the boat pool up to a maximum of 8 athletes

- Athletes will be chosen for the Junior WCH Team and Women's Junior C4 500m event from their rankings into the boat pool.
- If any athlete/s declines their position in the Junior WCH Team or boat pool, the next ranked athlete may be selected into the boat pool up to a maximum of 6 paddlers.

1.4.3 WOMEN'S JUNIOR C2 500m SELECTION:

- The **WINNING BOAT (highest ranked US Junior boat)** women's Junior C2 500m will be selected into the Junior WCH Team given the right of first refusal for that event and be selected into the boat pool.
- If one or more athlete/s decline their position to the boat pool, it must be declined in writing before 5pm on the day of the event to the High Performance Committee (HP Manager, National Head Coaches & AAC Rep) The next ranked athlete in the C1 500m may be nominated to the boat pool.

1.4.4 WOMEN'S JUNIOR CANOE NON-OLYMPIC EVENT SELECTION WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS:

- Non-Olympic events on the race cards will be contested from the athletes selected to the team and boat pool. Paddlers making the Junior Canoe boat pool may be given the opportunity to contest non-Olympic events as determined by their ranking and until all Junior World Championship races are filled to the maximum of 8 paddlers.
- **Mixed C2 500m** will be offered to the two fastest athletes in the Men's and Women's C1 500m in the Junior categories. If either or both athletes decline, then the C2 will be selected from the next ranked athlete in the respective singles event.
- **Mixed Relay** team will be selected from the boat pool with preference given to the highest ranked athletes in the most relevant event contested.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

- **The proposed Junior WCH Team will be announced at the end of the Ted Houk Regatta and will be finalized once accepted by the High-Performance Committee (HP Manager, National Head Coaches & AAC Rep).**
- After selection to the team, Athletes and their coaches will be asked to provide in writing their preference for events/s at the Junior WCH. If there is a conflict, a race off will take place at a time and place that is mutually agreed upon by the athletes and their coaches. It will be supervised by the National Coach/es or the High-Performance Director, (also with video recording preferred). Final entries to be reviewed and approved by the High Performance Committee (HP Manager, National Head Coaches & AAC Rep).

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