



Canoe Kayak Saskatchewan Team Selection Policy Western Canada Summer Games

1. Each athlete selected to the Western Canada Summer Games (WCSG) Team will be an athlete in good standing with the Sprint Division of Canoe Kayak Saskatchewan.
2. The age of athletes selected will conform to the latest technical package.
3. The trial dates and selection procedure will be available in any published athlete manuals. The dates and procedure will also be posted by each club and on the provincial website.
4. Trials will be held June 18th, 2011 to make the final selection of the WCSG Team. Shortly following this regatta, the announcement of the team will occur.
5. The selection process will allow for 4 male and 4 female kayak participants and 4 male and 4 female canoe participants. In the case of canoe, one left paddler and one right paddler will be selected as alternates. The High Performance Committee may name more alternates if there is a need. The alternates will not travel to the WCSG and compete with the team unless one of the team members is unable to fulfill their commitment however they will participate in all training events leading up to the games.
6. In case of a tie there will be a race off between the tied athletes using the 500m distance.
7. In the case of canoe; the top 2 (two) left paddlers and top 2 (two) right paddlers will be selected. The fifth place will be awarded to the next highest place regardless of side. This is the same process for both male and female.
8. Three distances will be raced: 200, 1000, and 2000 meters.
9. The athlete's best times from two races will be used to determine their ranking. The points awarded for races are as follows. This will allow all nine lanes to be used and give as many athletes as possible an opportunity to earn points toward the team.

1 st place: 10 points	6 th place: 4 points
2 nd place: 9 points	7 th place: 3 points
3 rd place: 8 points	8 th place: 2 points
4 th place: 7 points	9 th place: 1 point
5 th place: 6 points	

10. Results will be measured against the following time standards related to team selection. These standards are based on flatwater conditions with calm wind. Those who met or exceeded the time standard for one discipline may replace athletes who didn't meet the time standard of the other discipline. For example, if 2 of 5 male kayak athletes didn't meet the time standard, the 2 next male canoe athletes who met their time standard will be named to the kayak team.

Women's		Men's	
K1 200	47"	K1 200	40"
K1 500	2'05"	K1 500	1'50"
K1 1000	4'31"	K1 1000	4'03"
K1 2000	10'07"	K1 2000	9'28"
C1 200	56"	C1 200	45"
C1 500	2'31"	C1 500	2'09"
C1 1000	5'08"	C1 1000	4'37"
C1 2000	12'20"	C1 2000	10'40"

11. Final team selection will be the responsibility of the Sprint High Performance Committee. For the purpose of the WCSG, the coach representative on the High Performance Committee will be the WCSG Coach and Manager. Crew composition at the WCSG will be the responsibility of the WCSG Coach and Assistance Coach.
12. In the event of a serious medical condition (upon the production of a doctor's note) or other extenuating circumstances as approved by the High Performance Committee prior to the final selection trials, an athlete may be given the opportunity to compete at a later date for fourth place. This is dependent upon there being available time and will only be given to valid contenders based on the previous year's results.
13. Every athlete is ranked, so if a team member needs to be replaced for medical reasons, they will be replaced by the next ranked athlete.
14. Athletes unable to attend the trials because of a competition commitment with one of the CanoeKayak Canada national teams will be given a spot on the WCSG Team if they meet the eligibility requirements.
15. In the case of an injury to an athlete while trying out for the final selection event for the WCSG Team or where an athlete already named to the WCSG Team is injured during a pre-Games event, practice, camp, etc. the following Medical Replacement Policy will be followed:
 - i) In the case of an injury to an athlete while trying out for the final selection to the WCSG Team, the decision to keep or release the athlete will be left up to the discretion of the High Performance Committee, including the WCSG Coach and Assistant Coach, after consultation with the parents, family physician and provincial high performance coaches.
 - ii) In the case where an athlete, already named to the WCSG Team, is injured during a pre-Games event, practice, camp, etc. and it is questionable whether they could compete in the Games, the decision to keep or release the player will be left up to the discretion of the High Performance Committee, including the WCSG Coach and Assistant Coach, after consultation with the parents, family physician and provincial high performance coaches.
 - iii) In the case where a player on the Canada Games Team, is injured during a pre-Games event, practice, camp, etc. and is unable to compete in the Games, the High Performance Committee, including the WCSG Coach and Assistant Coach, will select an alternate team member based on Canoe Kayak Saskatchewan's team selection policy.
 - iv) In the case of an athlete who doesn't have a family physician, or when a second opinion is required by the parent, athlete or coach, the Sport Medicine and Science Council of Saskatchewan would provide a list of medical professionals throughout the province who have interest in sport medicine to the parent, athlete or coach for their use. These professionals can provide expert advice on an athlete's injury.