



# CANOEING SOUTH AFRICA

## SPRINT CANOEING / KAYAKING

### SELECTION DOCUMENT

2024

ICF CANOE SPRINT EVENTS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS



AND

BRICS GAMES Kazan, Russia 20 to 23 June 2024



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PLEASE TAKE NOTE:

Due to budgetary constraints for 2024, Canoeing South Africa is not able to provide athlete funding for international sprint events and athletes will therefore unfortunately, be required to cover the costs themselves.

CSA will assist with the boat rental and the logistics pertaining thereto.

No Tour Manager will be included in this tour due to budgetary constraints however should the financial position of CSA improve prior to the event this will be reconsidered.

Cost of tour will be approximately R50 000. -

Deposit amount: R5000 (five thousand rand) towards start of tour costs.

The deposit must be paid to Canoeing South Africa within 5 working days of the team announcement.

Travel Dates: At Team Members discretion

Visas:

Athletes will be required to cover all their own visa associated costs this will include and is not limited to application fees and travel costs to the relevant visa issuing authority.

Passports:

- Athletes will be required to cover all their own passport associated costs this will include and is not limited to application fees and travel costs to the relevant issuing authority.
- A copy of the athlete's passport must be submitted to CSA and Tour manager within 5 working days of the team announcement or confirmation from the issuing authority that the passport has been applied for.

## **OVERVIEW / DATES**

Athletes can only nominate for the various individual international sprint regattas when they do their race entry on the CSA SA paddler portal. No nominations outside of the CSA SA paddler portal will be accepted. No late nominations will be accepted.

The Nomination deadline is the same as the entry deadline for the selection regatta.

CSA Paddler Portal: <https://paddler.canoesa.com>

**\*\***Within 5 working days of the team announcement athletes are required to confirm their commitment and intention to tour by:

- Paying a R5000 (five thousand Rand) deposit to Canoeing South Africa towards the start of tour costs as well as email proof of payment to [finance@canoesa.org.za](mailto:finance@canoesa.org.za) and
- Submitting either copies of Passport or confirmation from the relevant issuing authority that your application has been submitted and is in process to Canoeing South Africa and the Tour manager.**\*\***

This document sets out the selection criteria for athletes wishing to be considered for the following events:

**2024 ICF CANOE SPRINT WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 23 TO 25 AUGUST 2024 Samarkand, Uzbekistan.**

**And**

**The BRICS GAMES 2024.** *Whilst The BRICS Games have not yet been confirmed by the Department of Sport, Art and Culture, this selection document will be used to select the team.*

### **Selection Event**

The Selection event will be held at VLC, Germiston, Gauteng on the 22, 23 & 24 March 2024.

As a result of previous tour complications, it has been decided that all senior athletes' accommodation and travel arrangements will be at their discretion and be their responsibility. Please bear in mind that this means that CSA will no longer provide you with a proof of accommodation letter for your visa nor will a shuttle service will be arranged. CSA will still provide a team letter as well as ensure that your letter of invitation is received from the Organising Committee.

CSA will ensure that accreditation is paid for the duration of the competition dates and logistics pertaining to boats are secured. Without funds for a team manager, athletes will have to appoint a representative amongst themselves who will need to attend team meetings, press interviews etc. Should funds be secured for a team manager this will revert to being the responsibility of the team manager along with all of the other usual responsibilities undertaken by the team manager.

## SECTION A

### 1. **2024 Non-Olympic Sprint World Championship and The BRICS Games Trials / Selection**

#### **Selection Criteria:**

**2024 ICF CANOE SPRINT WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 23 TO 25 AUGUST 2024 Samarkand, Uzbekistan.  
AND  
BRICS GAMES Kazan, Russia 20 to 23 June 2024**

#### **Selection Event**

The Selection event will be held at VLC, Germiston, Gauteng on the 22, 23 & 24 March 2024.

#### **Selections will be made in the following events:**

##### 1.1. Non- Olympic Sprint World Championships (Events may be subject to change)

2024 ICF Canoe Sprint World Championships (for Non-Olympic Events)		
Men	Women	Mixed
<i>Kayak</i>	<i>Kayak</i>	<i>Kayak</i>
MK1 200m	WK1 200m	XK2 500m
MK1 500m	WK2 200m	XK4 500m
MK2 1000m	WK1 1000m	
MK1 5000m	WK1 5000m	

1.1. All paddlers wishing to be considered for selection for the 2024 Senior World Sprint Championships must participate at the Selection event.

1.2. Selectors will select the team based on the results from the selection event in respect of top performing nominated athletes in the U23 & Senior respective Finals as well as the time standards below. The selectors reserve the right to forgo selection should the performances be considered non competitive. Following previous tour complications, the number of events that an athlete can be selected for may be capped at a maximum of 3. The time standards are:

WK1 200m	44"
WK1 500m	2'02"
WK1 1000m	4'20"
WK1 5000m	25'00"
WK2 200m	41"

MK1 200m	37"
MK1 500m	1'49"
MK1 1000m	3'54"
MK1 5000m	22'30"
MK2 1000m	3'30"

XK2 500m	1'48"
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1.3. Should any athletes tie, a shoot out will be held between those athletes only to determine who will qualify for the position in that category for the World Championship event. The shoot out will be held at the same selection event at a time to be confirmed during the regatta.

- 1.4. Swapping of crew members will be allowed in the K2 & K4 kayaks, i.e. the crew that qualifies is the crew that will race at the Championship event. However, should a change be necessary at the event due to unforeseen circumstances this will be made amongst the team members available. If problems arise prior to the event, please engage with your sprint Chair in your Union.
- 1.5. Should an athlete be unable to compete in the trial for medical reasons a medical certificate will be required. (see Selection Procedures Bylaw - point 6.2)
- 1.6. All athletes nominating themselves for selection must ensure that all outstanding monies due to CSA are fully paid up (whether that of the athlete or any of their crew, i.e. Coaches etc. This must coincide with the closing date for entries for the selection event. Failure to ensure that this has occurred will prohibit the athlete from participating at the selection events.
- 1.7 Athletes must also ensure that they are re-registered for the new season (2024/2025) prior to departure as the International Event will fall into that year.
- 1.8 All team members are obligated to compete in the 2024 approved National Kit.

## **2. Selection Procedure (Summary)**

### **2.1 Selectors**

Convenor of Selectors: Colin Simpkins  
Selectors (in alphabetical order) Swelihle Ndlovu  
Willem Landman  
John Oliver

### **2.2 Procedure**

2.2.1 The Selectors are not required to engage with any other parties regarding the selection process and the Selector's decision is final.

2.2.2 Depending on the standards of athletes' performances at each of the selection events the Selectors reserve the right not to send teams to any of the above-mentioned International Competitions.

### **2.3 Team Selection**

2.3.1 Athletes who are selected for teams will be provided with the necessary additional information regarding their travel, equipment, funding and visa requirements by CSA.

2.3.2 It is the responsibility of athletes to ensure that they are in possession of a valid passport and that the relevant visas are acquired in good time in order to ensure they can travel within the time frames dictated by the competition.

2.3.3 Due to budgetary constraints for 2024, Canoeing South Africa is not in a position to fund the above-mentioned International Event and athletes will be therefore, unfortunately, be required to cover the costs themselves.

CSA will assist with the boat rental and the logistics pertaining thereto.

Approximate costs & Accreditation for race dates:  
approximately R10 000.00 (ten thousand Rands)  
Cost of Team Kit – payable at time of order.  
Any surplus funds will be refunded by CSA

## SECTION B

### CSA SELECTION CRITERIA AND PROCEDURES

#### General Selection Criteria and Procedures

Canoeing South Africa's policy is set by the CSA Board, which is elected by the Provincial Unions. The Board is made up of the President, a number of Directors and the Union Chairman. The CSA Board is responsible for the governance of Canoeing South Africa. Correspondence to CSA should be directed through your Provincial Sprint Chairperson the details of which can be found on the CSA website.

#### SELECTION PROCEDURES BYLAW

##### 1. DESCRIPTION

This Bylaw governs the selection of Athletes to Canoeing South Africa teams in each of the Disciplines and must be read in conjunction with the relevant Selection Criteria Supplement applicable to each Team.

##### 2. DEFINITIONS

**Athlete** means a person who has notified CSA in accordance with this Bylaw that she/he wishes to be considered for selection in a squad and/or team under this Bylaw.

**Discipline** means the canoeing discipline of Sprint Racing.

**Secretary General** means the Secretary General of CSA.

**Selected** means the Athlete has been chosen by the Selection Panel to be a member of the relevant squad, and or team, as set out in this Bylaw.

**Selection Event** means an event designated as such for the purpose of assisting in the selection process for a Team.

**Selection Panel(s)** means the panels of persons determined under clause 4 and who on behalf of CSA select Athletes in the relevant teams in accordance with this Bylaw.

**Selection Procedures Bylaw**

means the Bylaw adopted by the CSA Board that governs the selection of Athletes to Canoeing South Africa Teams.

##### 3. CHANGES TO THIS BYLAW

3.1. The CSA Board may change this Bylaw or the selection criteria for any team from time to time, provided that it shall provide as much notice of such change as is possible to all affected provinces and Athletes.



**3.2.**CSA will take reasonable steps to give notice to Athletes affected by any amendments and/or supplements to this Bylaw. It is the responsibility of the Athlete to nominate an address for communications in the application form completed under Clause 5.1.4, and to keep CSA notified of any change to that address (including where the Athlete is away from home for any purpose such as competition or training).

**3.3.**Apart from any other steps CSA may take, CSA will be deemed to have complied with this clause if CSA posts written notice to the address last notified to CSA by the Athlete.

#### **4. SELECTION PANELS**

**4.1.**Subject to Clauses 4.2, 4.3 and 4.4, there shall be a Selection Panel for each team to be selected. The Selection Panel shall be appointed by the discipline committee and ratified by the CSA Board, and comprise at least two persons, which may (but need not) include the national coach of the relevant Discipline.

**4.2.**Additional member(s) may be appointed by the CSA Board to any of the Selection Panels if it considers it appropriate to do so to ensure adequate skills and experience.

**4.3.**The relevant Discipline Committee of CSA may direct any member of a Selection Panel to vacate the relevant Panel for such period as considered appropriate where the Committee considers, in its sole discretion, the Panel member has an association with an Athlete which may give rise to a question of bias or conflict of interest in the selection process.

**4.4.**Where any member of the Panel advises the Secretary General that she/he considers she/he is unable to meet her/his responsibilities under this Bylaw, or the Discipline Committee makes a direction under Clause 4.3, the Discipline Committee will recommend to the CSA Board a replacement to assume that member's role on the Selection Panel.

#### **5. PROCESS FOR SELECTION**

**5.1.**To be eligible for selection under the Bylaw, all Athletes must first:

**5.1.1.** Satisfy CSA that she/he meets or will meet the ICF's eligibility requirements (if any), and

**5.1.2.** Satisfy CSA that she/he is a financial member of a Canoe Club affiliated as a member of CSA, and

**5.1.3.** Not have any outstanding accounts with CSA that are in arrears, and

**5.1.4.** Complete and sign the applicable application form, including the acknowledgement that she/he will abide by the CSA Team Members Bylaw, and

**5.1.5.** Return all of the items above to CSA or the Discipline Chairman by no later than the applicable closing date as specified in each of the Schedules to this Bylaw. The Secretary General/ Discipline Chairman may at his/her sole discretion accept the above after this time depending upon the circumstances as considered on a case-by-case basis.

**5.2.** If an Athlete is selected to a squad and/or team under this Bylaw, the Athlete acknowledges and agrees that:

- 5.2.1.** The CSA Team Member Bylaw immediately comes into full force and effect in respect of that athlete.
- 5.2.2.** She/he may be subject to drug testing by the South African Institute for Drug Free Sport and/or ICF if so requested, and comply with both the CSA's and ICF's Anti-Doping Bylaw, and
- 5.2.3.** She/he must maintain a designated level of fitness determined by CSA, and standard of competitiveness prior to the relevant event for which she/he has been selected.

**5.3.** Failure to comply with any part of clauses 5.1 or 5.2 may result in the Athlete not being eligible for selection.

**5.4.** The decisions of the Selection Panels shall be final.

**5.5.** The Selection Panels will determine selections by such date as is set out in the selection criteria for each team to be selected.

## **6. SELECTION CRITERIA**

**6.1.** The CSA Board will approve Selection Criteria for each team or squad to be selected in the discipline concerned.

**6.2.** If a paddler has an injury and/or illness, which may impact on his or her performance in the trials, then the paddler should submit a supporting medical report or certificate to either the convener of selectors, the discipline chairman or the Secretary General of Canoeing South Africa **prior** to the trial. Should the injury or illness occur on the day of the trial then the convener of selectors, the discipline chairman or the Secretary General of Canoeing South Africa should be notified prior to the start of the trial and supporting documentation should be submitted on the first working day after the trial. In such instances the convener of the selectors reserves the right to refer the paddler to a CSA nominated medical officer in the paddler's province or the province hosting the trial.

**6.3.** In all selections to which this Bylaw applies the criteria to be applied by the Selection Panel for the relevant Team is that set out in the relevant Selection Criteria Supplement as approved by the CSA Board.

## **7. SELECTION WITHDRAWAL**

**7.1.** An Athlete who is selected under this Bylaw may be withdrawn from the squad/team if she/he:

- 7.1.1.** Breaches or fails to comply with this Bylaw.
- 7.1.2.** Breaches or fails to fulfil a requirement of the ICF Anti-Doping Policy.
- 7.1.3.** Breaches or fails to comply with the CSA Team Member Bylaw.
- 7.1.4.** Brings CSA or the sport of canoeing into disrepute.
- 7.1.5.** Has an illness or injury which in the relevant Selection Panel's opinion prevents the Athlete from meeting the overall principles of selection as

**7.2.** Any selected Athlete may be withdrawn by CSA if any of the grounds in clause 7.1 occur. CSA shall notify the Athlete in writing of the alleged breach or grounds upon which it is proposed that she/he be withdrawn. The Athlete shall be given a reasonable opportunity (not being less than seven days) to provide reasons why she/he should not be withdrawn.

**7.3.** A selected Athlete may withdraw his/her selection by giving notice in writing to the convener of selectors of the discipline concerned.

**7.4.** If a selected Athlete is withdrawn from selection, the Selection Panel may consider another Athlete.

## **8. NOTIFICATION**

**8.1.** All Athletes seeking selection under this Bylaw shall be notified by the convener of selectors that they have or have not been selected for a squad and/or team (as the case may be) by email or mail to the address specified in the completed application form as soon as practicable after the Selection Panel has made its decision. The convener of selectors may also advise the selected Athletes of their selection in person.

**8.2.** Any public announcement of any selections will be made by the President of CSA, or his/her nominee.

**8.3.** For the purposes of any appeal, relevant notice must be in writing. Written notice is deemed to have been received immediately when handed directly to the Athlete or 7 days from the time of posting.

## **9. APPEALING DECISIONS**

**9.1.** The decision of the selectors is final, and no correspondence on selections will be entered into by the individual athlete or their Unions. The only avenue for appeal open to an athlete is in the alleged case of a procedural irregularity. This appeal must be addressed in writing to the Chairman of the discipline concerned, within seven (7) days of the date of the alleged irregularity.

**9.2.** The Chairman of the discipline concerned will deal with the appeal within seven (7) days of receipt of the appeal, and inform the athlete, as well as the Secretary- General, of the outcome of the appeal. If the athlete feels that his appeal is not fairly heard by the chairman of the discipline concerned, the athlete may take the appeal to CSA. The decision of the CSA Board on the issue will be final.

## **10. INTERPRETATION**

**10.1.** Unless the context otherwise requires, the terms used in this Bylaw shall have the same meaning as in CSA's Constitution.

**10.2.** No particular part of the selection criteria set out in a Selection Criteria Supplement shall be weighed more or less significantly by reason only of the order in which that part appears in that supplement.

# TEAM MEMBERS BYLAW

## 1. DESCRIPTION

- 1.1. The Bylaw sets out the obligations of any member who is selected to become a member of any team or squad established by CSA.
- 1.2. Canoeing South Africa is the body recognized by the International Canoe Federation (“**ICF**”) as responsible for the accreditation and participation of representatives from South Africa in canoeing championships conducted overseas and in South Africa.
- 1.3. This Bylaw applies to any person who has been selected to:
  - 1.3.1. Become a member of a team or squad.
  - 1.3.2. Participate in a CSA Training Camp (whether or not they are a member of any team or squad) unless otherwise determined by CSA in writing.

## 2. DEFINITIONS

In this Agreement, the following terms have the meanings indicated, unless the context requires otherwise:

<b>Athlete</b>	means a person who has been chosen by the Selection Panel to be a member of the relevant squad and/or team for the relevant event or events in their Discipline as set out in the CSA Selection Procedures Bylaw.
<b>Athlete Sponsors</b>	means those sponsors notified by the Athlete to the Secretary General in writing from time to time.
<b>Championships</b>	mean any race, match or competition where the Athlete competes as a member of the Team.
<b>Disciplinary Tribunal</b>	means the disciplinary tribunal convened under the CSA Disciplinary Measures Bylaws.
<b>National Sponsors</b>	means those CSA sponsors advised to the Athlete in writing.
<b>Team</b>	means the team and/or squad to which the Athlete has been selected.
<b>Team Management</b>	includes the Secretary General, Team Manager, National Coach, and any coach or other official appointed by Canoeing South Africa from time to time for the purpose of a particular tour.

## 3. TERM

This Bylaw applies to an Athlete from the time of the Athlete’s selection in the Team and continues for a period of 12 months, unless membership of the Team is

terminated earlier under Clause 9 (“**Breach and Termination**”).

#### **4. WHAT CANOEING SOUTH AFRICA PROVIDES**

Canoeing South Africa *may*, in its absolute discretion, provide the Athlete as a member of the Team with the following benefits:

- 4.1. Coaching support from the National Coach and other coaches, assistant coaches and experts considered necessary.
- 4.2. Medical, massage and physiotherapy treatment and facilities.
- 4.3. Administrative support to enable the Athlete to participate in events at Championships and or World Cup Events.
- 4.4. Sports science and sports medicine advice and support.

#### **5. MANAGEMENT’S OBLIGATIONS**

- 5.1. **In line with the Federations Safeguarding Policy, Canoeing South Africa will appoint a Tour Designated Safeguarding Officer (DSO) who will be responsible for the safeguarding of the athletes and team members whilst on tour. The DSO together with CSA’s Internal Tour operator and SSO are to ensure the implementation of and adherence to CSA’s Safeguarding Policy, thus ensuring the well-being of every athlete.**
- 5.2. The management of the team, which may consist of manager, **DSO**, coach, physio, chaperone must treat all athletes with equal importance.
- 5.3. The abuse of alcohol will not be tolerated. Disciplinary steps will be taken against management if it can be proven that they have been drunk. This may include being stripped of any formal recognition by the Federation including National Colours.
- 5.4. Allowing or encouraging juniors to consume alcohol will result in any team management member being stripped of any formal recognition by the Federation, including National Colours.
- 5.5. If a junior female(s) is included in the team, there must be an adult female chaperone on the management team for the tour. **(Minimum requirement for this role is completion of Safeguarding Awareness Certificate)**

#### **6. ATHLETE’S OBLIGATIONS**

The Athlete will:

- 6.1. Remain a member of an affiliated club as defined in the Canoeing South Africa Constitution.
- 6.2. Obey all reasonable directions given by Team Management and any person

appointed to implement those directions including to attend and participate in, to the best of the Athlete's ability, all competitions, training sessions, camps, and Team meetings and shall comply with and observe the Constitution, Bylaws and regulations and any determination, resolution or policy which may be made or passed by the CSA Board, Council or any duly authorized committee of CSA.

- 6.3. Not enter into any contract, arrangement, or understanding that would prevent the Athlete from complying with this Bylaw.
- 6.4. Wear only official Team uniform, clothing, competition and training apparel as approved by CSA when travelling to and from and competing in Championships including during training and on other specified occasions, regardless of any conflict between Canoeing South Africa's sponsors and the Athlete's pre-existing sponsor/s, unless prior permission has been obtained from Team Management.
- 6.5. On Canoeing South Africa's request, submit to a complete physical examination (at Canoeing South Africa's expense) before the start of any Championships.
- 6.6. Acknowledge that failure to achieve a level of physical fitness necessary to compete in any Championships will result in suspension of the benefits that would otherwise have been provided by Canoeing South Africa to the Athlete under clause 4 until the Athlete submits to another complete physical examination and is passed fit to compete as a member of the Team.
- 6.7. Comply with the CSA Member Protection Bylaw, including the Athletes Codes of Ethics set out in the Member Protection Bylaw.
- 6.8. Unless otherwise authorized in writing, travel from Team activities and Championships on the dates and in the manner directed by Team Management.
- 6.9. Irrevocably submit himself or herself to the authority of Canoeing South Africa's Disciplinary Tribunal and abide by any decision of the Disciplinary Tribunal properly reached in accordance with the provisions of CSA Disciplinary Measures Bylaw and/or Member Protection Bylaw.
- 6.10. Anti - Doping
  - 6.10.1. To make themselves aware of the Anti-doping code, the Anti-doping Rule Violations and what substances and methods are on the Prohibited list. Athlete education is available on e-learning on the following website: <https://adel.wada-ama.org/>
  - 6.10.2. To be available for sample collections at all times.
  - 6.10.3. To take responsibility, in the context of anti-doping, for what they ingest and use
  - 6.10.4. To inform all medical personnel of their obligation not to use prohibited substances and prohibited methods and to take responsibility to make sure that any medical treatment received does not violate anti-doping policies and rules

6.10.5. To cooperate with Anti-doping organisations investigating anti-doping rule violations

6.10.6. The 2024 Prohibited list can be found at: <https://www.wada-ama.org/en/news/wada-publishes-2024-prohibited-list>

6.10.7. A medication check is available at [www.drugfreesport.org.za](http://www.drugfreesport.org.za)

It is the **athlete's responsibility** to ensure that are fully aware of all the anti-doping rules.

6.11. Observe and comply with Canoeing South Africa's Anti-doping Bylaw, the ICF Anti-Doping Policy's (however named) including submitting to the penalties ordered by either or all.

6.12. If and when requested to do so by Team Management, contribute by way of money and/or equipment to his or her own preparation for and participation in Championships. Such monies must be paid prior to departure for any Championships.

6.13. The athlete undertakes to provide her/himself with all canoeing equipment considered necessary from time to time.

6.14. The Athlete undertakes to provide her/himself with official clothing and apparel considered necessary from time to time.

6.15. The athlete undertakes to cover all personal expenses and costs incurred in any of the Selection Events, Tours and training camps, including transport, travel, accommodation, subsistence and insurance expenses.

## **7. PROMOTION AND PUBLICITY**

### **7.1. Media**

7.1.1. The Athlete must at all reasonable times, when requested to do so by Team Management, give interviews to television, radio, newspaper, electronic media or magazine journalists.

7.1.2. During such interviews the Athlete may discuss his or her own athletic performance but must not under any circumstances make negative comment regarding the performance of any other Team member or make any comment in relation to the policies, management or discipline of the Team or of Canoeing South Africa.

7.1.3. The Athlete must not write or cause to be written (whether or not under his or her own name), or permit to be published, articles to the press, or engage in any radio or television broadcast, or give any interviews to the press, in the course of which the Athlete is, in the opinion of Team Management, abusive or defamatory of Canoeing South Africa, opponents, Championship hosts, fellow Team members, or brings Canoeing South Africa or the sport of canoeing into disrepute.

### **7.2. Use of Personality**

The Athlete grants Canoeing South Africa the non-exclusive rights to use, and to authorize any other person to use, the Athlete's name, image, likeness, reputation and other indicia of identity ("Personality") for commercial and promotional purpose, including but not limited to licensing, endorsements, advertising, promotions, merchandising, memorabilia, events and marketing.

### **7.3. Promotional Activities**

7.3.1. The Athlete will make himself or herself available on reasonable notice to participate in all sponsorships, endorsements, personal appearances, advertising and other marketing activities ("Promotional Activities") arranged to promote National Sponsors or Canoeing South Africa (except where they conflict with any pre-existing contract entered into by the Athlete the existence of which is notified to Canoeing South Africa upon selection to the Team). Canoeing South Africa may require the Athlete to wear the Team uniform or any other relevant items of clothing during Promotional CSA activities.

7.3.2. The Athlete will participate in Promotional Activities at no cost or charge to Canoeing South Africa other than reasonable expenses incurred by the Athlete in participating.

### **7.4. No conflicting sponsors**

If the Athlete obtains the prior written approval of the Secretary General, Canoeing South Africa will not prevent the Athlete from appearing and participating in any Promotional Activities for the Athlete's Sponsors, providing:

7.4.1. The products or business of the Athlete's Sponsors do not conflict with or prejudice the products or business of National Sponsors;

7.4.2. The products or business of the Athlete's Sponsors do not suggest an association with South African Canoeing and do not bring Canoeing South Africa or the sport of canoeing into disrepute; and the Promotional Activities do not conflict with any required Team commitment (including, but not limited to, training, Team meetings, Team, selection events, social functions and Championships).

7.4.3. Subject to this clause, the Secretary General will not unreasonably withhold his or her approval.

### **7.5. Intellectual Property of Canoeing South Africa**

The Athlete must not use any intellectual property of Canoeing South Africa including, but not limited to, any registered or unregistered trade mark, logo, design or any item of Canoeing South Africa uniform or apparel or any component of any of them, without the prior written consent of the Secretary



General.

#### **7.6. Assignment of copyright**

To the extent the Athlete has any, the Athlete assigns to Canoeing South Africa all copyright and other rights arising out of the use of the Athlete's Personality or any Promotional Activities undertaken by the Athlete on behalf of the National Sponsors or Canoeing South Africa. Canoeing South Africa may use any films or photographs of the Athlete made by or for Canoeing South Africa for any purpose Canoeing South Africa wants including, but not limited to, event entertainment packages, promotional materials, coaching

and development materials and for publication in any Canoeing South Africa magazine or on the Canoeing South Africa Internet Site and or Social Media sites.

### **8. INJURIES OR ILLNESS**

- 8.1. The Athlete must immediately disclose to Team Management any illness and/or injury that may prejudice his or her participation in Championships and other Team activities.
- 8.2. The Athlete authorizes any medical practitioner, sports scientist or therapist whom they have consulted during the 12 months prior to selection in the Team to provide details to Team Management of any illness and/or injury which the Athlete sustained or may sustain or of any pre-existing medical condition.
- 8.3. The information referred to in clauses 8.1 and 8.2 is to be required solely for the purposes of determining the Athlete's physical fitness. A determination will be made after consultation with a medical practitioner appointed by Canoeing South Africa from time to time and who is entitled to declare the Athlete fit or unfit for competition or training and during what period and any medical limitations or requirements upon the Athlete's training or competition program.
- 8.4. Any detection of any prohibited drug stimulant or practice as specified by the International Olympic Committee Medical Commission in its List of Doping Classes and Methods from time to time must be fully disclosed by the medical practitioner to the Secretary General.
- 8.5. Canoeing South Africa may retain any medical information obtained in respect of the Athlete and the results of any test or examinations carried out on the Athlete, provided such information does not identify the Athlete, once the Athlete is no longer a member of the Team or has retired from competitive Canoeing, for use in research and publication in medical or scientific papers provided that the Athlete is not named or identified.

### **9. BREACH AND TERMINATION**

- 9.1. In the event of any breach of this Bylaw, the Athlete will be liable to any of the following sanctions at the discretion of Team Management:
  - 9.1.1. Caution or reprimand;
  - 9.1.2. Suspension or termination of membership of the Team (including sending the Athlete back to his or her usual residence at the Athlete's expense);
  - 9.1.3. Withhold and/or forfeit from the Athlete any sum of money (including reimbursement of expenses) which would otherwise be payable under this bylaw;
  - 9.1.4. Restrict or withhold any benefit the Athlete is entitled to under this bylaw; or
  - 9.1.5. A request to appear, as soon as is practicable, along with an advocate or representative at the Athlete's expense before Canoeing South Africa's Disciplinary Tribunal. During any period of suspension, the obligations of the Athlete remain in full force and effect.
- 9.2. Canoeing South Africa may dismiss the Athlete from the Team and terminate this Agreement if the Athlete:
  - 9.2.1. Is in breach of any provision of this Bylaw and/or any other Canoeing South Africa Bylaw;
  - 9.2.2. Brings Canoeing South Africa or the sport of canoeing into disrepute;
  - 9.2.3. Has an illness or injury, which in the relevant Selection Panel's opinion prevents the Athlete from meeting the overall principles of selection, as set out in the applicable selection criteria supplement. CSA shall notify the Athlete in writing of the alleged breach or grounds upon which it is proposed that she/he be withdrawn. The Athlete shall be given a reasonable opportunity (not being less than seven days) to provide reasons why she/he should not be withdrawn.
  - 9.2.4. The Athlete may retire or withdraw from the Team and in doing so will automatically terminate this Agreement, by giving no less than fourteen days written notice to the Secretary General.

## **10. EXCLUSION OF LIABILITY**

Canoeing South Africa (including its Directors, managers, employees, agents and independent contractors) will not be responsible or liable for any claim by any person whether in contract, tort, and negligence or under any statute to the extent permitted Bylaw for:

- 10.1. Any injury, illness or other mishap howsoever caused which may be

suffered by the Athlete; or

- 10.2. Loss or damage to any property of the Athlete, in either case arising directly or indirectly out of this Agreement, including but not limited to, any travelling, disciplinary action, selection decision, competition, training or function of whatsoever nature.
- 10.3. The Athlete indemnifies and releases and at all times indemnifies and releases Canoeing South Africa (including its Directors, managers, employees, agents and independent contractors) from and against all actions, suits, proceedings, claims, demands, costs and expenses which may be incurred by the Athlete or taken or made against Canoeing South Africa in connection with, or arising out of any loss, damage or injury except to the extent that it is due to the gross negligence on the part of Canoeing South Africa.

## **11. DISPUTES**

Pursuant to Canoeing South Africa's Appeals Bylaw, each party will first attempt to resolve any dispute arising from this Bylaw by consultation and mediation. Only if consultation and mediation is unsuccessful will the internal appeals procedure of Canoeing South Africa be enacted.

## **12. REASONABLE RESTRICTIONS**

This Bylaw may restrict the Athlete's freedom to exploit his or her Personality. The Athlete agrees that such restraints are necessary and reasonable to protect the source of revenue from the Promotional Activities of Canoeing South Africa and National Sponsors, which are necessary to enable Canoeing South Africa to fund and assist the Team as a whole, the activities of the Team at Championships and to promote and develop Canoeing throughout South Africa.

## **13. PROPER LAW**

This Agreement is governed by the laws of the Republic of South Africa.

## **14. GUARDIAN**

If the Athlete is under 18 years old the Guardian must agree with the terms of this Bylaw and will ensure as far as he or she is able as the Athlete's Guardian that the Athlete carries out his or her obligations under this Agreement.

## **15. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The Athlete agrees to abide by the terms and conditions of this Bylaw and acknowledges such agreement by signing the applicable application form as required to be eligible for selection to a Team or Squad. Failure to sign the acknowledgement constitutes a withdrawal from the Team.

## ATHLETE'S CODE OF ETHICS

- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of fellow canoeists, coaches, officials and spectators.
- Refrain from conduct which could be regarded as sexual or other harassment towards fellow canoeists and coaches.
- Respect the talent, potential and development of fellow squad members and competitors.
- Care and respect the equipment provided to you as part of your program.
- Be honest and sincere with your coach regarding any illness or injury and your ability to train fully within the program requirements.
- Conduct yourself in a professional manner relating to language, temper and punctuality.
- Always Maintain high personal behaviour standards.
- Abide by the rules and respect the decision of the adjudicator, making all appeals through the formal process and respecting the final decision.
- Be honest in your attitude and preparation to training. work equally hard for yourself and your team/ crew.
- Cooperate with coaches and staff in development of programs to adequately prepare you for competition at the highest level.
- Commit yourself to the development of drug-free sport and abstain from the use of performance enhancing drugs.

## SECTION C

### Nomination & Entry

**By nominating for a specific international sprint regatta via the CSA SA Paddler portal I hereby acknowledge that:**

1. I have read and understood the Selection Handbook as well as the CSA Bylaws and acknowledge the terms, conditions and obligations contained therein, and which terms, conditions and obligations are imposed upon me as a result of my selection to a Team;
2. I have been provided with a copy of the Canoeing South Africa Selection Procedures and the South African Team Selection Criteria Supplement for the South African Team to compete in the events. I agree to abide by the terms and conditions of these Selection Policies.
3. There will be some personal expense involved in attending the Selection Events, camps, events and tours as outlined in the Selection Handbook and I accept full responsibility for my expenses. I understand that I will not be eligible to travel with the team nor compete in events if I have any of these monies outstanding on the date of departure of the team.
4. I hereby state that **on day of entry / nomination**: (a) I am a fully paid up current member of a canoe club affiliated to a provincial union member of CSA; (b) I do not have any outstanding accounts with CSA that are in arrears; and (c) I agree that I shall meet the ICF's eligibility requirements.
5. I am subject to drug testing by the South African Sports Drug Agency and/or ICF, and will comply with both Canoeing South Africa's and the International Canoe Federations Anti-Doping Bylaw; and
6. I will maintain a designated level of fitness as determined by Canoeing South Africa and a standard of competitiveness prior to the relevant event for which I have been selected and will not participate in any races or event unless sanctioned by the Sprint Committee.
7. No drinking of alcohol is permitted by juniors while on overseas tours or attending training camps in South Africa. Should a junior found to have been drinking he or she will be expelled from the team, sent home immediately and, subject to confirmation at a Disciplinary Tribunal, be stripped of any National or Federation Colours.
8. Any athlete selected to represent South Africa or the Federation shall conduct him or herself with the dignity and decorum as befits a representative of one's country or Federation. Failure to do so will result in the athlete being expelled from the team and, subject to a Disciplinary Inquiry, be stripped of any National or Federation Colours awards.
9. I agree to abide by the Athlete Code of Ethics as stipulated by the points provided at the end of the Nomination Form.
10. By nominating for selection via the CSA Paddler Portal you and your parents or legal guardian acknowledge that you have read and understood consequences of misconduct as mentioned in point 9.1. of Section B.
11. I am aware that in order to go on the tour that I will be required to have a passport and an unabridged birth certificate (if under 18) and that if I do not have these documents that it could prevent me from applying for a visa (if required) as well as prevent me from being able to travel overseas to compete.