



Surfing Australia
National StandUp Paddle and Paddleboard Team Selection Policy
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1.0 Objectives:

- To select the best athletes to represent Australia at the International Surfing Association (ISA) World StandUp Paddle and Paddleboard Championship.
- To provide a clear criteria for athletes who strive toward being selected to represent their country

2.0 National Selection Panel:

The National selection panel for the Australian SUP & Paddleboard Team will comprise of:

- SA Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
- SA National High Performance Director
- SA Talent Pathway Coach
- State Sporting Organisation Rep (TBC)

3.0 Eligibility for Australian National Team Selection:

To be eligible for selection in the National Team athletes must:

- Be an Australian citizen with a valid Australian passport
- Be a registered member of a State Association affiliated with Surfing Australia
- Comply in all respects with the drugs policy of ISA and the WADA Code
- Not be subject to any suspension or disqualification imposed by Surfing Australia or other surfing authority having jurisdiction over the Athlete or the competition

4.0 The Australian World StandUp Paddle and Paddleboard Team:

The format of Team Australia to compete at the ISA World StandUp Paddle and Paddleboard Championship is 8 x men and 8 x women competing (see note re SUP Spring Race category) in the following divisions:

<u>DIVISION</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOMEN</u>
SUP Surfing	2	2
SUP Racing		
SUP Sprint Race * see note	(1)	(1)
Technical	2	2
Marathon	2	2
Paddleboard Racing		
Technical	1	1
Long Distance	1	1
TOTAL	8	8

***Note:** The Paddle Team Relay is made up of 1 Male and 1 Female SUP Racing athlete and 1 Male and 1 Female Paddleboard Racing athlete. The Team Captain will be responsible for selection of this team at the event. The SUP Sprint Race athletes will be nominated from the competing team members (hence why team size is 8)

5.0 Selection Criteria:

5.1 Athletes

5.1.1 For all categories the Australian Champion will automatically be offered the first selection, but if they decline, that position in the team will become a wildcard selection.

5.1.2 Where a selected Australian Team Member declines their selection or is unable to compete as a result of failing the medical screening and fitness test as provided in clause 6.1 below, this Athlete will be replaced with a wildcard selection.

Men's Divisions

Selection	SUP Surfing	SUP Racing Technical	SUP Racing Marathon
1	Australian Champion	Australian Champion	Australian Champion
2	Wildcard Selection	Wildcard Selection	Wildcard Selection
Selection	Paddleboard Racing Technical	Paddleboard Racing Marathon	
1	Australian Champion	Australian Champion	

Women's Divisions

Selection	SUP Surfing	SUP Racing Technical	SUP Racing Marathon
1	Australian Champion	Australian Champion	Australian Champion
2	Wildcard Selection	Wildcard Selection	Wildcard Selection
Selection	Paddleboard Racing Technical	Paddleboard Racing Marathon	
1	Australian Champion	Australian Champion	

5.2 Wildcard Selection

Should Australian Champion decline selection, then a wildcard selection is at the sole discretion of the National Selection Panel.

5.3 U18 Guardian

Should any U18 competitor (s) be selected in an event they must be accompanied by a parent or guardian, who is not another athlete in the team for the duration of the event

6.0 Injury

6.1 In the case of a selected Australian Team member incurring injury or incapacity to compete at the highest level in the lead up to the ISA World StandUp Paddle and Paddleboard Games the athlete will be required to pass a medical screening and fitness test conducted by Australian Team medical staff.

6.2 In relation to fitness, the determination of the Australian Team medical staff is final.

7.0 Appeals

Decisions made by the Selection Panel are final there is no right of appeal.