



Marathon Team Selection Document
World Marathon Championships
Gyor
Hungary
4 – 7 September
2025

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SECTION A – NOMINATION FORM**NOMINATION FORM AGREEMENT – WORLD MARATHON
CHAMPIONSHIPS 2025**

The nomination process will be incorporated into the entry process.

When you access the paddling portal to enter the event, you will be given an option to nominate yourself for selection.

Once you have completed the entry process, and indicated that you wish to be considered for selection, you should receive a confirming email. Please note that this process must be completed by 24h00 on 9 June 2025. Late entries/nominations will not be accepted.

I, _____ (the Paddler);

CSA Boat Number _____; being the undersigned athlete (as well as the undersigned parent or Guardian in the case of a minor), HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE that:

1. This Nomination form agreement, forms part of the CSA Marathon Team Selection document which has been provided by CSA.
2. I have read and understood the section of this document which sets out important information and certain dates for deadlines - **Section C**.
3. As part of this document, I have been provided with a copy of the Canoeing South Africa Selection Procedures for Marathon events, which I agree to abide by – **Section D**.
4. I acknowledge that any selection to a SA Team will be in accordance with the rules and regulations of CSA, sections of which are referred to in this document.
5. I have read and understood the CSA Selection Procedures Bylaws referred to herein, access to which /or a link to, has been provided in this document 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 – **Section E**.
6. I have read and understood the CSA Team Members Bylaws referred to herein, access to which /or a link to has been provided in this document 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 – **Section F**.
7. I understand there will be some personal expense involved in attending the Selection Events, camps, events and tours as outlined in the this Marathon Team Selection Document 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.
8. I hereby state that:
 - (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.
9. I am subject to drug testing by the South African Sports Drug Agency (**Section G**) and/or ICF, and will comply with both Canoeing South Africa's and the International Canoe Federation Anti-Doping Bylaw; and
10. If I am on any medication that requires a Therapeutic Use Exemption by SAIDS, I undertake to complete all documentation and conform to all requirements that are prescribed by SAIDS. Such certification or documentation will be submitted to Team management as soon as possible following selection.

11. 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 and in accordance with the laws of the country in which the event is being held. Failure to do so may result in the athlete being expelled from the team and, subject to a Disciplinary Inquiry, be stripped of any National or Federation Colours awards.
12. I am aware of the CSA safeguarding policy and have made myself familiar with its contents.
13. I acknowledge that if I am selected to represent South Africa in an event, or events, at the world championships, I will compete in that event to the best of my ability and will not withdraw from the event unless there are profound medical grounds (substantiated by a doctor's certificate) or terminal equipment failure that cannot be repaired, irrespective of whether I have a further event later in the program. Failure to complete an event will result in my being stripped of the award of national colours and the withdrawal of any financial contribution that the federation may make towards the expenses of my participation.

Please complete the following carefully.

I would like to be considered for K1 and/or K2 selection (please tick relevant box, or both)	K1	K2
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I hereby nominate to be considered for selection for the following event or events, in the age categories I specify below (please complete appropriate boxes):

	AGE CATEGORY (Senior, U23, Junior, Masters) Please write the actual <u>AGE CATEGORY</u> you will be racing in below
K1	
K2	
C1	
C2	

SIGNED (Paddler)	
FULL NAMES (Paddler)	
DATE	
PARENTS SIGNATURE (if the paddler is still a minor - U18 Age category)	
FULL NAMES OF PARENT	
DATE	

SECTION B – PERSONAL DETAILS (OF PADDLER)

FULL NAMES (as per passport):	
CSA NUMBER:	
PASSPORT NUMBER:	
PASSPORT EXPIRY DATE:	
IDENTITY NUMBER:	
DATE OF BIRTH:	
EMAIL ADDRESS:	
CELL NUMBER:	
PARENTS (Details for minors – U18 Age Category)	
PARENTS NAME:	
PARENTS EMAIL ADDRESS:	
PARENTS CELL NUMBER:	
PADDLERS ALLERGIES:	
PADDLERS REGULAR MEDICATION (if any??):	

SECTION C – IMPORTANT DATES AND INFORMATION

1. INTRODUCTION

- The World Marathon Championships are to be held in Gyor, Hungary from 4th to the 7th of September 2025.
- If you wish to be considered for the Senior, U23 or Junior team to compete at the World Marathon Championships 2025, please read these documents carefully.
- Please complete and return required documentation – **SECTION A AND B ONLY** - and ensure that you meet the requirements and expectations to travel and compete.

2. IMPORTANT DATES

2.1 24 - 25 May.

WCCU Marathon Champs
ECCU Marathon Champs

2.2 31 May – 1 June

KNCU Marathon Champs
GCU Marathon Champs

2.3 9 June 2025

Completed entry/nomination form to be received by 24h00.
Late nominations will not be accepted.

2.4 13 – 15 June 2025

South African Marathon Championships and Primary Trial. Orange River, Upington, Northern Province.

2.5 31 July 2025

Deposits fully paid to CSA account.

2.6 4 - 7 September 2025 - World Marathon Championships – Gyor, Hungary.

1 - 2 September – Masters World Championships.
4 - 7 September – Seniors, Juniors and Under 23 World Championships.

3. TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS

3.1 Funding for National Team

There is a very small budget available from CSA. However, this tour needs to be viewed as a self funded tour. CSA may cover the accreditation costs for the national team, if funds are available.

Funding for Federation Members

As usual, federation members will be self funded.

3.2 Deposits

Deposits for expenses such as boat hire, kit, accommodation, etc. need to be made before the **31st July 2025**. Any paddlers whose deposits have not been paid by this date **will not be registered to race in Gyor by CSA, and will be withdrawn from the Team**.

3.3 Kit and Clothing

All national team members shall:

- 3.3.1 Compete in approved national team kit in all events during the official competition
- 3.3.2 Wear national team approved kit for all interviews and photographs

3.3.3 Wear national team approved kit for the opening ceremony, closing ceremony and official functions

3.3.4 Wear national team approved kit in accredited areas

3.3.5 Wear the National Team tracksuit and closed shoes on the podium

3.3.6 Failure by a team member to respect the above kit requirements may result in the withdrawal of national colours being awarded to the athlete, as well as further disciplinary action that the CSA board may deem appropriate.

3.4 Equipment and Boats

Depending on demand and cost, the CSA container may be sent to Hungary. CSA will assist with facilitating the container, but all risk will lie with the individuals who have elected to send boats in the container.

Alternatively, team members will be required to arrange boat hire through the manager.

SECTION D – SELECTION POLICIES AND AWARDING OF COLOURS

SELECTION POLICY FOR JUNIOR, U23 AND SENIOR TEAMS FOR WORLD MARATHON CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. SELECTORS, SELECTIONS, PROCEDURE AND CRITERIA

1.1 Selectors

Gustav Radloff, Brandon Van der Walt and Riccardo Talevi.

In the event of a family member, close friend or an individual who is being coached by a selector, the selector will be required to recuse themselves from input to the selection process pertaining to that individual.

1.2 Selection Procedure

Whilst every effort will be made to ensure that the results of the trials alone will be used to select the national team, it is important to understand that the above 3 selectors are tasked with selecting the teams for World Marathon Championships that stand the best chance of winning medals.

While basing their selections on the performances of paddlers at the Primary Trial, it must be noted that the selectors may, at their discretion, refer to an athlete's historic results and proven ability when selecting a team that, in their opinion, stands the best chance of producing medals at Worlds. This may include the selection of a paddler who, for reasons of illness or injury (medical proof to be provided), or any other compelling reason, has not participated in the primary trial. The decision of the Selectors is final and not subject to debate.

The selection event will be held in accordance with the ICF marathon racing rules.

1.3 Athlete Communication

The selectors will communicate with the Senior, U23 and Juniors prior to their events if there are any concerns after receiving the nominations to ensure that the athletes are aware of the selector's views and expectations.

1.4 Monitoring

The selectors are required to monitor all aspects of the trials to ensure that the trial is run on a fair and representative basis and if necessary to intervene in exceptional circumstances, where matters are clearly out of control e.g. extreme weather conditions, outside intervention, cheating etc.

1.5 Adverse conditions

In these instances the selectors should cancel the trial immediately and call for a retriel or use the standings at the time of the unforeseen event as the result if this can be fairly construed to be the case.

1.6 Starting Orders and Restarts

All participants come under starters order 10 minutes before the allocated race start time. It is the paddler's responsibility to ensure that they are at the start time when the race starts. The starter, however, has the right to start the race at anytime, once the participants are under starter's orders, when in his sole opinion he can ensure a fair start. The starter may call a false start. Only one false start is allowed per paddler. Any paddler incurring a second false start will be disqualified. The starter and selectors decision on the fairness of the start will be final.

1.7 Team Announcement

The team will be announced as soon after the trial as possible **once the team has been ratified by the CSA Board.**

1.8 Primary Trial

SA Marathon Championships, Orange River, Upington, Northern Province, 12 - 15 June 2025.

1.8.1 Discretion

The selectors are tasked with choosing a team to secure medals at the World Championship. Selector's discretion may be required to achieve this objective.

1.8.2 Performance

Selectors are, therefore, looking for high levels of performance from all athletes. Athletes need to showcase their ability to the best of their potential.

1.8.3 Selection to K1, K2 and short course.

Athletes wishing to be considered for selection to K1, K2 and short course categories must make note of this in the Selection Document. The decision to select Athletes to compete in more than one of these categories will be that of the Selectors and not subject to appeal.

1.8.4 K2 Combinations

Even though the trial is a SA Championship event, athletes are encouraged to enter their best K2 combinations.

1.8.5 U23 Events

If a paddler who is eligible to race at U23 level wishes to race at a senior level, in an attempt to secure a place in the senior team, this must be noted in the selection nomination form. These athletes will still be eligible for selection to the U23 team – at the discretion of the Selectors. The seniors and U23 races will be started together and the courses run concurrently.

1.8.6 U18 and U16 Events

The U18 and U16 races must be started together and the courses run concurrently.

1.8.7 Non attendance of Primary Trial

In the event of a paddler wishing to be considered for selection to the SA Team, and not being able to attend the Primary Trial or have not attended the primary Trial, that paddler must:

- 1.8.7.1.1 have completed a Nomination and Paddler Details form (Section A and B herein), and have submitted such forms before the stipulated deadlines.
- 1.8.7.1.2 submit in writing, prior to the Primary Trial, to the Marathon Committee, reasons for not being able to attend the Primary Trial, including any medical certificates or other supporting documentation.
All such documentation will be considered by the Marathon Selectors, whose decision will be final and binding, in light of the policies stipulated herein.

2. COLOURS**2.1 National Colours**

Recommended at Selectors Discretion.

2.2 Federation Colours

Recommended at Selectors discretion.

3. PARTICIPATION IN MAJOR EVENTS PRIOR TO WORLD MARATHON CHAMPS

All team members especially Senior, U23 and Junior paddlers must focus their training and preparation with the ambition to win medals at World Championships.

SELECTION POLICY MASTERS TEAMS FOR WORLD MARATHON CHAMPS

1. SELECTORS, SELECTIONS, PROCEDURE AND CRITERIA

All master paddlers are entitled to compete for South Africa at the World Championships, as long as they are registered, and paid up members of CSA (no social membership allowed) at the time of the event. Masters are not required to submit nominations for the team.

2. TRIALS

As masters will be allowed to enter the world championships independently, there will be no necessity for a trial.

3. FEDERATION COLOURS

Federation colours may be granted at the discretion of CSA, based on recommendation from the CSA marathon committee and the selectors.

Federation colours may be awarded to Masters paddlers on the following conditions:

- 3.1** The selected paddler/s achieve a Top 5 finish at the World Masters Championships (in either the K1 or K2 class), and the standard of racing during the World Championships event, and the achievement of the paddler in that event is deemed by the Marathon Committee and the Marathon Selectors to be of a sufficiently high standard to warrant recommendation for awarding Federation Colours .

Please note that a number of clauses in the following documents do not apply to the selection of a team of only two individuals. Please read them in context.

SECTION E –CSA SELECTION PROCEDURES BYLAWS - [http://www.canoesa.org.za/rules and regulations/the paddlers handbook](http://www.canoesa.org.za/rules%20and%20regulations/the%20paddlers%20handbook).

SECTION F –CSA TEAM MEMBERS BYLAW- [http://www.canoesa.org.za/rules and regulations/the paddlers handbook](http://www.canoesa.org.za/rules%20and%20regulations/the%20paddlers%20handbook).

SECTION G –SOUTH AFRICAN INSTITUTE FOR DRUG FREE SPORT - <http://www.drugfreesport.org.za/>

ALL CSA RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR TEAM SELECTION, TEAM MEMBERS CONDUCT AND GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT: - [http://www.canoesa.org.za/rulesand regulations/the paddlers handbook](http://www.canoesa.org.za/rulesand%20regulations/the%20paddlers%20handbook).

SECTION H - INTERVIEW AND PHOTOGRAPHY OF CHILDREN CONSENT FORM PARENT\GUARDIAN\CHILD

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Parent / Guardian

I voluntarily grant **CANOEING SOUTH AFRICA APPROVED MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES** permission to capture and publish photographs, or recordings taken of my child, _____ who is _____ years of age and of whom I am the legal guardian.

I am aware that I can, at any point during an interview, request it to end without being subjected to any consequences.

I acknowledge that if my child is over the age of 12 that his/her permission must be received and that my permission alone is not enough. I also acknowledge that the SSO or DSO from my child's club also needs to consent to the photographs, video or interview.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read and/or understand the terms of this consent.

Signature: _____

Parent/ Guardian name: _____

Contact number : _____

Signed on this date: _____ at (Place): _____

Child

I _____ being of _____ age hereby consent to my picture being captured or my opinions being recorded for use in any main stream media environment including T.V., radio, movie, documentary, or internet

Signature of child: _____

Print Name: _____

Signed on this date: _____ at (Place): _____

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.

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)