



2024 OCEANIA CHAMPIONSHIPS

and

2024 AUSTRALIAN OPEN

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INTRODUCTION

This document is the first bulletin with information for the:

2024 Oceania Championships – 26 to 28 January and

2024 Australian Open – 2 to 4 February

to be held at Penrith Whitewater Stadium (PWS), Sydney, Australia. Paddle Australia (PA) is pleased to deliver these competitions.

Both these competitions earn ICF world ranking points in Canoe & Kayak and the Kayak Cross events

For more information, please head to the official website <https://paddlepenrith.com.au/>

Note, these competitions also incorporate selection trials for the Australian Senior, Under 23 and Junior National Teams Canoe Slalom.

PENRITH INFORMATION

We invite you to get to know Penrith, get ready for some unique and memorable experiences.

From the banks of the Nepean River to rural hinterlands, through the city centres and many unique neighbourhoods, you'll discover well known favourites and hidden gems.

Unique to Penrith is: an enviable lifestyle, excellent sporting and recreation facilities, green open spaces, and vibrant local events.

For more information see the visitor guide to Penrith which includes eating and accommodation suggestions. This is available at;

<https://www.visitpenrith.com.au/images/visitor-guide/PenrithVisitorGuide2022.pdf>

PARIS 2024 QUOTA ALLOCATION

The 2024 Oceania Championships is the Oceania Continental qualification competition for Paris 2024 quota allocation. To see more information regarding this please visit <https://www.canoeicf.com/canoe-slalom-olympics/paris-2024>

VISA APPLICATION

If your team requires an invitation letter to process your visa application, please contact Annabelle WHITE <mailto:annabelle.white@paddle.org.au> in the Paddle Australia office.

PHOTOGRAPH PERMISSION

Competitors are advised that during the course of this event they may be photographed or

filmed by official Paddle Australia photographers or by officially accredited media. It is a condition of entry to the 2024 Oceania Championships and 2024 Australian Open that competitors give consent to the use of any photos or film containing their image, by media outlets, and/or by Paddle Australia and/or by related parties in pursuit of Paddle Australia's objectives.

Competitors, who do not consent to this use, must inform the Sue Natoli (suenatoli@gmail.com) directly before the competition commences.

2024 PROVISIONAL SCHEDULES

The provisional Competition Schedules are available from the competition website <https://paddlepenrith.com.au/>

The competition organisers reserve the right to modify the schedule.

DOPING CONTROL

In line with the World Anti-Doping Code and the ICF Doping Control Rules, Sport Integrity Australia (SIA) may conduct random drug testing at this competition.

All competing Athletes and Team Staff are also required to complete the ADEL doping education program. This is a once only program. If your Athlete has not yet completed this they should go to <https://www.canoeicf.com/anti-doping-education> and complete either the Athlete or coaches' education program.

Information regarding doping control can be found on the Sport Integrity Australia website at <https://www.sportintegrity.gov.au/>

ENTRIES

The entry fees are:

2024 Oceania Championships AUD \$110 per Athlete with no limit on the Canoe & Kayak or Kayak Cross events entered.

2024 Australian Open AUD \$110 per Athlete with no limit on the Canoe & Kayak or Kayak Cross events entered.

Entry to both Oceania Championships and the Australian Open is AUD \$180 per Athlete with no limit on the Canoe & Kayak or Kayak Cross events entered.

2024 Oceania Championships and 2024 Australian Open Entries are open from Monday 11 December 2023.

2024 Oceania Championship entries close on **15 of January**

2024 Australian Open entries close on **22 January**

All entries must be made by your Federation using the ICF online entry system - SDP.



Australian athletes must complete their initial entry via the PA entry portal on “Go Membership” before PA can submit your entry to the ICF via SDP. Australian Athletes entries close on Go Membership on Wednesday **10 January** for both competitions.

Please contact PA directly if you are having problems using the online entry system.

Acceptance of a late entry is at the discretion of the Organiser and a late entry fee will be charged. Late entries must comply with ICF Canoe Slalom competition rule 1.6.1.f and Chapter 6 (2023 rules) regarding late entries.

COMPETITION RULES

The competitions will be run in accordance with ICF Rules 2023 and any special PA rules or bylaws as they pertain to the competition.

The current rules are available from the ICF website at <https://www.canoeicf.com/rules - slalom>

COMPETITION FORMAT

The following events and age groups will be contested at both the Oceania Championships and the Australian Open:

Canoe & Kayak: Open, U23 and Junior (U18) in Men K1, Women K1, Men C1 and Women C1
Kayak Cross: Open and U18 in MX1 and WX1.

OCEANIA CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Canoe & Kayak and Kayak Cross events will be staged over 3 days.

Thursday 25 January	Demonstration Runs
Friday 26 January	Heats: Session 1 WK1 MK1, WC1, MC1,
Saturday 27 January	Semi-finals / Finals: WK1, MK1
Sunday 28 January	Semi-finals / Finals: WC1, MC1, Kayak Cross Qualification and Elimination rounds

In Canoe & Kayak all Competitors will have one heats qualification run and will be ranked. Based on the ranking of the first qualification run, the following best ranked boats will progress directly to the semi-final:

30 K1M
20 K1W, C1M, C1W

The remaining competitors in each event will have a second heats qualification run and the following best ranked boats will progress to the semi-final:

10 K1M, K1W, C1M, C1W

The total numbers for each event in the semi-final will be:

40 boats – K1M
30 boats – K1W, C1M, C1W

Following the semi-final the top 10 ranked competitors from each event will progress to the Finals.





In the event that there are less entries in the Heats phase than qualify for the next phase (eg SFR, FR) the Heats will still run to meet Australian Team selection criteria.

For Kayak Cross:

Athletes will compete in the Qualification round and from this the highest ranked 32 boats in MX1 and WX1 will proceed to the Elimination round

AUSTRALIAN OPEN

The Canoe / Kayak and Kayak Cross events will be staged over 3 days according to the following schedule:

Thursday 1 February	Demonstration Runs
Friday 2 February	Canoe Day: Heats: WC1, MC1 (one run) and finals
Saturday 3 February	Kayak Day: Heats: WK1, MK1 (one run) and finals
Sunday 4 February	Kayak Cross Qualification and Elimination rounds

All Competitors will have one heats qualification run and will be ranked. Based on the ranking of the first qualification run, the 10 best ranked competitors will progress directly to the Final:

INVITATIONAL EVENTS

An Invitation race will be held for Australian Athletes nominating for selection who do not qualify for the semi-final and as needed for any international teams using this competition as a selection event

If, in this semifinal invitation race, the Athlete achieves a time that would have placed them in the final then they will be offered an invitational "Final" race.

ICF WORLD RANKING

All Athletes will progress through each phase of competition for all events according to the 2024 ICF progressions, available on the ICF website (see COMPETITION FORMAT in this document).

All competing Athletes will receive ICF world ranking points based on their final results.

COURSE CONFIGURATION

The course configuration will not be changed between the Oceania Championships and the Australian Open.

COURSE DESIGN

The Course Design Committee will be selected from those in the pool nominated by PA. Any International team wishing to submit a nomination to the pool must do so before 15th January to be considered.

TECHNICAL VIDEO SERVICE

A technical video service will be provided by Paddle Australia. Teams wishing to use this





service should register their interest by contacting;

Sue Natoli suenatoli@gmail.com or

Nick Perry nick.perry@paddle.org.au

International teams will not receive a direct feed but may bring a USB or hard drive (must be formatted to work with Apple Mac devices), to the video production area and receive copies of the competition following the end of each session (am or pm). Please provide a note of which bib numbers/names you would like when providing the drive.

FURTHER INFORMATION AND PADDLE AUSTRALIA CONTACTS

For further information on the Canoe Slalom events, please head to the official website <https://paddlepenrith.com.au/>

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