

IVF Va'a World Sprint - Aotearoa NZ - Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

The following will be updated as we receive more questions. For more information about the World Sprints click on the links below:

- http://www.ivfiv.org/2022-ivf-world-sprint-championship.html
- https://wakaama.co.nz/racecalendar/lookup/1938

What happens if the Sprint Nationals don't go ahead?

Should for any reason the 2022 Waka Ama Sprint Nationals not go ahead Waka Ama NZ will arrange another opportunity for teams with an intent to qualify. This opportunity will include a V1 qualification process if the Sprint Nationals does not go ahead.

Is there an Elite Process?

Yes you can find that information here: https://wakaama.co.nz/pages/view/1005829

What if our club team wins at the Sprint Nationals but we haven't put an intent in?

Only those teams with intents will be offered quota spots

Do I need to be vaccinated to race at the World Sprints event in London?

Current advice from the International Va'a Federation is that all attendees to the 2022 World Sprints will be required to be fully vaccinated to attend the event.

Do I need to add our paddlers name into the Club team intents?

No at this stage we only need the Team Name and the Events that team wishes to qualify for

How do I pay the intent fee?

Clubs will be invoiced for all team intents - one payment per club. Intents will only be confirmed once payment is received.

Intent Fee due by 15th December 2021

What is the intent fee used for?

If your team qualifies the Intent fee becomes your entry fee for the World Sprints Event.

Are the intent fees refunded if we do not qualify?

Yes, once all club teams have been confirmed - those teams that have not secured a quota place will be refunded

Do I need to pay a 3 x intent fee if my team wishes to qualify for the W6 500, W6 1000 and W12 500?

No, we just need one intent fee per team

What if my team wants to take more than 6 paddlers to the World Sprints?

Once your team qualifies and confirms their quota spot, Waka Ama NZ will require the names of all the paddlers in that team to be submitted - Waka Ama NZ will invoice your club for reserve paddler numbers over the 6 that were included in the intent process.

How many paddlers can we swap out of a team from nats to worlds?

We don't need paddlers names - the club qualifiers the spot. Once the spot is confirmed - then we will ask for paddlers names. They must be affiliated and a member of the club they are paddling for at the World Club Champs

The following are questions regarding a separate qualifying event - if the Sprint Nationals don't go ahead. Dates to be determined.

Where will the qualifying trials be held?

Ideally at Lake Karāpiro if the Sprint Nationals don't go ahead

Is there a possible date for this trial?

We are hoping to confirm a date in March - we are working with Lake Karāpiro to confirm once we know if Nationals are going ahead.

If plan A (National Sprints as the qualifier) is canned, will the world's race rules apply to the qualifying event in March?

Yes- meaning that paddlers will be able to race across multiple divisions. However the race schedule will not be modified or held up to accomodation paddlers racing across multiple divisions. This only applies to W6.

Paddlers can only qualify in 1 division in W1.

If there is no qualifying due to only quota being entered for worlds... is there seeding for lanes?

W6 teams are not seeded for the World Sprints - W1's are

Will Secondary Nats still go ahead in March as well, has there been any thought towards this impact on school teams and club teams training schedules clashing?

We will make sure the qualifying event doesn't clash with the Secondary Schools as WANZ will be running both events

Will only the teams that submitted an intent and paid, be able to compete at this March event.

Yes

Is it 6 teams across all grades for London

Yes 6 W6 teams per event and 3 x W12 teams per event . Here is the link to the IVF Quota <u>http://www.ivfiv.org/event-quota.html</u>

If you had to run a separate W1 qualifier...would it be based on W1 entries based on regionals

Yes - if all of the regionals are able to go ahead

What is the registration or fee cost per paddler or team?

One intent and payment per team - \$1080 per team intent (\$180 x 6). This is then used as the entry fee for the World Sprints Event.