



New Zealand ELITE Men's World Sprint Championship 2022

Selection Plan and Process Outline:

Elite Men's Coach: Tupuria King

Elite Men's Manager : Yet to be determined.

Campaign goals

- Waka Ama New Zealand's goal: For each Elite team to medal
- Elite Men Team goal: to constantly function and perform at their best.
- Coaching goal:
 1. to maximise the potential within the team.
 2. to foster a positive team culture.

Intent Process:

The first trial is open for anyone eligible to take part.

Paddlers wishing to trial and be considered for the squad and ultimately the team must complete the attached Intent form and return it to Waka Ama NZ worlds@wakaama.co.nz no later than **4th February 2022**.

Please note: the coaches of the campaign are entitled to invite paddlers to be part of the trial process, should you be contacted by the coaches directly they will inform you of your invitation to take part and will require that you confirm your acceptance of the invitation and attendance to trial.

Eligibility Criteria:

to be considered for the Elite Men's team athletes must:

- Be a current an affiliated Waka Ama New Zealand member
- Be New Zealand Citizen or have resided in New Zealand for 6 months or longer at the time of the event.
- Be at least 16 in the year of competition
- Be endorsed by their club, Intent form must be signed by Club Rep.
- Be committed to the process and attend all required trainings.
- Communicate with the Coaching/Management in a timely fashion
- Meet all financial obligations
- Be the best you can be and train for performance.
- Adhere to the Waka Ama New Zealand Code of Conduct <http://www.wakaama.co.nz/pages/read/1004720>
- Be able to provide My Vaccine Pass for COVID-19

Selection Criteria:

The coaches will be looking for a combination of physical, technical and mental abilities/potential as well as athlete commitment and attitude.

Paddler selections must fit into at least two of the following categories:

- Outstanding Individual performance e.g. V1/OC1 results, individual fitness etc
- Individual/s qualities and attributes e.g. leadership, seat combination
- Seat specific attributes e.g. Steerer/Seat 1
- Value added by individual to crew combination.

Note: At any time throughout the pre selection period, paddlers can be bought into the squad until final teams are named, but highly unlikely.

Time frames and Key Dates

Please note that dates and venues will be determined once intents have been received.

17th January 2022	Intent process open	
4th February 2022	Last date for intents to be received	
5 th February 2022	Bhutti Memorial Race (Scouting event)	Coach will consider performance in Bhutti's race as key indication to current endurance fitness level.
6 th February 2022	First Trial	Basic W6 blending session Mt Maunganui
19 th & 20 th February 2022	Takapuna Beach Cup (Scouting event)	
More trial dates & scouting events to be determined.		
Please note: During the Pre-Selection phase, any accommodation should be co-ordinated directly by individuals. Post selection this will be done via management.		