

## Premier Men's World Distance Championship 2023 Selection Plan and Process Outline:

**Elite Mens Distance Coach:** Tupuria King

### **Intent Process:**

Anyone who meets the Eligibility Criteria may trial.

Paddlers wishing to trial and be considered for the squad and ultimately the team should complete the attached Intent form and return it to Waka Ama NZ [worlds@wakaama.co.nz](mailto:worlds@wakaama.co.nz) no later than **18 February 2023**.

*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 at the trial.

### **Eligibility Criteria:**

To be considered for the Premier Mens team athletes must:

- Be male
- Be a current or 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  
<https://www.wakaama.co.nz/pages/read/1004720>

### **Selection Criteria:**

The coach will be looking for physical, technical and leadership abilities in combination with athlete commitment and attitude.

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

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

*Note: At any time throughout the selection period, paddlers can be brought into the squad until final team is named.*

## Time frames and Key Dates

Dates	Description	Location
Feb 9th	Intent Process open	
Feb 18th	Last date for intents to be received	Online
Feb 19 <sup>th</sup> & 20 <sup>th</sup>	Takapuna Cup (Scouting Event) – It is recommended that you paddle both club W6 and W1 relay Sunday.	Takapuna Auckland.
Feb (rest of month)	Proof of 100km training week via Garmin or Strava data.	On own accord.
March (entire month)	CRNZ Virtual Race Submission (Virtual W1 trial/ leaderboard)	
March 11th	Head 2 Harbour (W1 Trial #1)	Whakatane
March 12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>W6 trial #1</b>	Mt Maunganui (TBC)
<b>April 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Long Distance Nationals (scouting event)</b> <b>It is recommended that you race club W6 and W1 events.</b> <b>Team finalised and Named via Waka Ama NZ Website post event.</b>	<b>Whitianga</b>
May Date TBC	Training Camp #1 Details will be available closer to the time.	Venue TBC
June Date TBC	Training Camp #2 Details will be available closer to the time.	Venue TBC
July Date TBC	Training Camp #3 Details will be available closer to the time.	Venue TBC
August Date TBC	Training Camp #4 Details will be available closer to the time.	Venue TBC
Date TBA	Combine NZ Training Camp	Auckland TBA
Depart approx.. 5 days prior to event ??		
10 <sup>th</sup> to 19 <sup>th</sup> August	IVF World Distance Championship	Samoa
<b>Please note:</b> During the Pre Selection phase, any accommodation should be co-ordinated directly by individuals. Post selection this will be done via management. The departure date for Samoa will not be known until the IVF Event Schedule has been released.		

### COSTS:

In an effort to provide you with as much financial information as possible we have attached below a best estimate breakdown of the cost per paddler.

#### Per Paddler Costings for IVF World Distance Championship 2023

		<b>Per paddler (NZ Dollars)</b>
Return airfare to Samoa (Ex Auckland)		\$900 approx.
Accommodation at event <i>Based on 10 nights</i>		\$800
Food at event		\$500
Transport at event		\$150
Travel Insurance ( <i>Estimate awaiting group quote</i> )		\$65
		\$2415
Waka Ama NZ Contribution per paddler		-\$500
<b>Total Estimated cost per paddler</b>		<b>\$1915</b>
<i>Entry fee per paddler</i>	<i>Covered by Waka Ama</i>	<i>\$100 US (\$165NZ approx.)</i>

**Note:** There may be additional costs for training camps.

**Note:**

- Airfares will be booked by Waka Ama New Zealand
- Accommodation will be booked by Waka Ama New Zealand
- Airfares are all ex Auckland (paddlers will need to arrange connecting flights or transport to and from Auckland)
- Paddlers who withdraw from the team after airfares have been confirmed will not receive a refund for the airfare cost.
- *Payments can made by credit card.*