

Men's World Elite Sprint Championship 2024

Selection Plan and Process Outline

Elite Men's Coach: Tupuria King

Elite Men's Manager: Irene Matila-Cooper

CAMPAIGN GOALS:

Secure a Podium Finish at the World Championships: Aim to achieve a top-three placement in the chosen category, showcasing our team's prowess on the international stage, and establishing ourselves as one of the elite contenders in the global paddling community. This goal encompasses a commitment to excellence in training, strategic preparation, and exceptional teamwork, fostering a culture of dedication and determination within the NZ Waka Ama team.

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 no later than **10th January 2024**.

***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 Elite Men's team athletes must:

- Be male.
- Be a current affiliated Waka Ama New Zealand member.
- Be a 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, the 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 coaches will be looking for a combination of physical, technical and mental abilities/potential and athlete commitment and attitude.

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

- Performance: W1 results, W6 results, physical fitness, experience etc.
- Individual/s qualities and attributes e.g. leadership, commitment, enthusiasm, respect.
- Seat specific attributes e.g. Steerer/Seat 1, seat combinations, blend.
- Habits; training submissions, trial attendance.

Note: At any time throughout the pre-selection period, paddlers can be bought into the squad until the 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.

Dates	Description	Location
10 January 2024	Elite Men’s Intents Close	
14-20 January 2024	National Sprint Championships 2024 - Scouting event - W1, W6, W12 performance	Karapiro
3 February 2024	James Bhutty Moore-morial race - Scouting event - Open Men’s Hot Spot: 500m/1.5km (TBC)	Mt Maunganui
4 February 2024	Elite Men’s Trial #1 <u>Water Based Testing:</u> - W1 Time Trials (500m/1500m). - W6 500m/1500m combination testing. - Bring paddle, training gear and hydration (steering paddle if applicable). <u>Land Based Testing (could change slightly):</u> - Press ups/pull ups etc. - 5-10km run (bring running shoes). - Paddle Erg Wattage/ Time Trials (30 sec/500m)	Tauranga
16-18 February 2024	Takapuna Cup - Scouting event W1 &W6 performance	Takapuna
9 March 2024	Heads 2 Harbour - Scouting Event - Hot Spot?	Whakatane
10 March 2024	Elite Men’s Trial #2 <u>Water Based Testing:</u> - W1 Time Trials (500m/1500m). - W6 500m/1500m combination testing. - Bring paddle, training gear and hydration (steering paddle if applicable). <u>Land Based Testing (could change slightly):</u> - Press ups/pull ups etc. - 5-10km run (bring running shoes). - Paddle Erg Wattage/ Time Trials (30 sec/500m)	Tauranga

16 March 2024	M2M Race - Scouting Event - TBC race	Mt Maunganui
13 April 2024	Aotearoa Aito	Tāmaki Makaurau
14 April 2024	Elite Men's Trial #3 <u>Water Based Testing:</u> - W1 Time Trials (500m/1500m). - W6 500m/1500m combination testing. - Bring paddle, training gear and hydration (steering paddle if applicable). <u>Land Based Testing (could change slightly):</u> - Press ups/pull ups etc. - 5-10km run (bring running shoes). Paddle Erg Wattage/ Time Trials (30 sec/500m)	Tāmaki Makaurau
30 April 2024	NZ Elite Men's team named	
11-12 May 2024	Training Camp 1	TBC
1-3 June 2024	Training Camp 2 (Combined Camp)	Karāpiro
22-23 June 2024	Training Camp 3	TBC
6-7 July 2024	Training Camp 4	TBC
20-21 July 2024	Training Camp 5	TBC
3-4 August 2024	Training Camp 6	TBC
13-24 August 2024	IVF World Sprint Championship	Hilo
Please note: During the Pre-Selection phase, any accommodation should be co-ordinated directly by individuals. Post selection this will be done via management.		

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 SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIP 2024

		Per paddler (NZ Dollars)
Return airfare to Hawaii (Ex Auckland)		\$2100
Accommodation at event <i>Based on 7 nights</i>		\$1500
Food at event		\$500
Transport at event		\$290

Travel Insurance (<i>Estimate awaiting group quote</i>)		\$300
Total		\$4690
Waka Ama NZ Contribution per paddler		-\$500
Total Estimated cost per paddler		\$4190
<i>Entry fee per paddler</i>	<i>Covered by Waka Ama</i>	<i>\$150 US (\$250NZ approx.)</i>

Note: There may be additional costs for training camps.

Please Note:

- Airfares will be booked by Waka Ama New Zealand
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- 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.*