

2019 WESTERN CANADA SUMMER GAMES

TEAM SASKATCHEWAN SELECTION METHODS & CRITERIA

PREAMBLE

This document provides the details of the selection methods and criteria which will be used to select the Canoe/Kayak Team which will represent Saskatchewan in the 2019 Western Canada Summer Games – a Multi-Sport Games to be held in Swift Current, SK from August 9-18. The Sprint Canoe/Kayak competition will run from August 10-13.

Nominations to the Saskatchewan 2019 Western Canada Summer Games Team (SKWCSGT) will be made by a SKWCSGT Selection Committee named by the Excellence Committee of Canoe Kayak Saskatchewan (CKS-EC).

To ensure that all nominations to the SKWCSGT have met published Selection Criteria, the Selection Committee will present the list of nominations to the CKS-EC for ratification.

Nominations to the SKWCSGT are subject to appeal as per the CKS Appeals Policy. (Page 114 of the CKS Policy and Procedure Manual - <https://canoekayaksask.ca/governance/forms/>).

SELECTION CRITERIA

1. Eligibility requirements for participation in the 2019 Western Canada Summer Games are defined in the *2019 Western Canada Summer Games Canoe-Kayak Technical Package* (which is included in the Appendices of this document).
2. The Technical Committee of the Western Canada Games Council shall determine the eligibility of any athlete that is not clearly established by the rules in the Technical Package.
3. The selection criteria which follow are intended to be consistent with the Technical Package; where the selection criteria are not consistent, the Technical Package will take precedence.
4. Consistent with the Technical Package - to be eligible for nomination to the 2019 SKWCSGT athletes must have been born in 2000 or later.
5. Consistent with the Technical Package – the maximum number of athletes which can be selected to each Provincial/Territorial Team participating in the 2019 WCSG Canoe/Kayak competition is ten (10) female athletes and ten (10) male athletes.
6. All athletes aspiring to a nomination to the SKWCSGT must participate fully in the selection process and must race in the 2019 WCSG Team Trials at Wascana Lake on June 1-2, 2019. **The**

2019 WCSG Team Trials may be combined with a competition which is open to athletes not eligible for selection.

7. All athletes entering the SKWCSGT Selection Trials **must** be in good standing with CKS and a CKS member Sprint Racing Club. “Good Standing” includes financial standing **and** full compliance with the CKS *Code of Conduct* and the Canadian Anti-Doping Program.
8. The 2019 WCSG Team Trials will be run in accordance with Canoe Kayak Canada Sprint Competition rules – including equipment regulations for boat dimensions and weight.
9. The requirement to participate in the selection trials may be waived for any athlete selected to a CKC Team racing in an international event which conflicts with the SKWCSGT Selection Trials. Athletes selected by CKC for an international assignment must apply in advance for a Trials exemption and an automatic nomination to the SKWCSGT.
10. Members of the 2018-19 Canoe Kayak Saskatchewan – Provincial Sprint Team (2018-19 CKS-PST) in the *International Level or High Performance Stream* category will compete in the Open events of a competition which runs in conjunction with the SKWCSGT Selection Trials. To earn a nomination to the 2019 WCSG Team such athlete(s) must, in at least one of three singles events (C/K-1 200M, 500M or 1000M), deliver a performance which is faster than that of the first athlete eligible for selection in the U19 event of the same distance. Open events and U19 events will be run consecutively.
11. All other athletes aspiring to a SKWCSGT nomination must race in the U19 events at the 2019 WCSG Team Trials. **The U19 events may be open to athletes from other provinces.**
12. A minimum of four athletes in each of the four disciplines (Women’s Kayak, Women’s Canoe, Men’s Kayak & Men’s Canoe) will be selected to the SKWCSGT.
13. Nominations required to ensure that the four athletes per discipline minimum is achieved, will be made on the basis of a Discipline Ranking List for each of the four disciplines. Discipline Ranking Lists will be compiled on the basis of an athlete’s results in three singles events (200M, 500M & 1000M) within their discipline. The allocation of points for the U19 singles events will be made using the table found in Appendix 1 of this document.
14. The top four athletes on each of the four Discipline Ranking Lists will be nominated to the 2019 SKWCSGT. In the event of a tie for the 4th-place rank on a Discipline Ranking List, the nomination will be made for the athlete with the higher position of finish in the 500M event.
15. An athlete referenced in Paragraph 10 above who earns a nomination on the basis of performance in one or more Open events will **not** score points in any of the three C/K-1 events and **will not** appear on the relevant Discipline Ranking List.

16. Additional nominations to the 2019 SKWCSGT beyond the four athlete per discipline minimum defined in Paragraph 10 above are **NOT** automatic and **may not** result in an equal number of nominations to each of the four disciplines. The nomination of additional athletes will be made on the recommendation of the SKWCSGT Selection Committee. Such nominations will be based on a combination of the following:
- i. Position on the relevant discipline ranking list;
 - ii. Performance assessments against the Canoe Kayak Canada Junior World Championship Gold Medal Times (the list of CKC Jr World GMT's can be found in the appendices of this document);
 - iii. The intention that the SKWCSGT participates in every event in the Sprint Canoe/Kayak competition at the 2019 WCSG - including the mixed war canoe;
 - iv. Consideration for gender equity.
17. Selections to the SKWCSGT **do not** infer entry in specific events at the 2019 WCSG. SKWCSGT entries and crew compositions will be determined by the CKS Provincial Sprint Team coaches with the objective of the SKWCSGT achieving the highest rank on the Provincial/Territorial ranking list.
18. Athletes intending to compete in the 2019 SKWCSGT may be impacted by unforeseen circumstances (including - but not limited to - injury, illness and family circumstances) and may, therefore, be unable to race at the 2019 SKWCSGT Selection Trials. In such circumstances, athletes may make application to the SKWCSGT Selection Committee for an opportunity to be assessed at a later date for a possible nomination to the 2019 SKWCSGT. The granting of a post-Trials assessment opportunity will be at the sole discretion of the SKWCSGT Selection Committee.
19. Athlete nominations to, and continuing membership on, the 2019 SKWCSGT are dependent on:
- i. an athlete's commitment to participate **fully** in the Team's post-selection preparation program - including training at their home club, attendance at Team training camps and participation in designated competitions;
 - ii. compliance with rules established by SKWCSGT staff for training camps and competitions;
 - iii. compliance with CKS policies – including the *CKS Code of Conduct*;
 - iv. compliance with the Canadian Anti-Doping Program.
20. The SKWCSGT Selection Committee reserves the right to alter the published selection criteria. Any such alteration(s) will be made to ensure that participating athletes are provided with the fairest opportunity to perform and to be assessed against their peers. Where possible, such alterations will be communicated in advance through club coaches. There may be circumstances where alterations to published selection processes and criteria are made on competition days. Such circumstances include, but are not limited to, adverse environmental conditions.

APPENDIX 1 – 2019 SKWCSGT DISCIPLINE RANKING LIST POINTS ALLOCATION

U19 C/K-1 Position of Finish	Points Earned
1 st	10
2 nd	7
3 rd	6
4 th	5
5 th	4
6 th	3
7 th	2
8 th	1

APPENDIX 2 – CKC JR WORLD CHAMPS GOLD MEDAL TIMES

Event	CKC Jr World GMT
W C-1 200M	0:48.7
W K-1 200M	0:41.6
W K-1 500M	1:55.6
M C-1 1000M	3:56.6
M K-1 200M	0:38.8
M K-1 1000M	3:35.5

APPENDIX 3 – 2019 WCSG TECHNICAL PACKAGE