



**Surfing Australia**  
**National StandUp Paddle and Paddleboard Team Selection Policy**  
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**1.0 Objectives:**

- To select the best athletes to represent Australia at the International Surfing Association (ISA) World StandUp Paddle and Paddleboard Championship.
- To provide a clear criteria for athletes who strive toward being selected to represent their country

**2.0 National Selection Panel:**

The National selection panel for the Australian SUP & Paddleboard Team will comprise of:

- Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
- General Manager High Performance & Sport Development
- Team Manager

**3.0 Eligibility for Australian National Team Selection:**

To be eligible for selection in the National Team athletes must:

- Be an Australian citizen with a valid Australian passport
- Be a registered member of a State Association affiliated with Surfing Australia
- Comply in all respects with the drugs policy of ISA and the WADA Code
- Not be subject to any suspension or disqualification imposed by Surfing Australia or other surfing authority having jurisdiction over the Athlete or the competition

#### **4.0 The Australian World StandUp Paddle and Paddleboard Team:**

The format of Team Australia to compete at the ISA World StandUp Paddle and Paddleboard Championship is 10 x men and 5 x women competing in the following divisions:

<b><u>DIVISION</u></b>	<b><u>MEN</u></b>	<b><u>WOMEN</u></b>
<b>SUP Surfing</b>	2	1
<b>SUP Racing</b>		
Technical	2	1
Marathon	2	1
<b>Paddleboard Racing</b>		
Technical	2	1
Long Distance	2	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5</b>

**\*Note:** The Paddle Team Relay is made up of 1 Male and 1 Female SUP Racing athlete and 1 Male and 1 Female Paddleboard Racing athlete. The Team Captain will be responsible for selection of this team at the event.

#### **5.0 Selection Criteria:**

##### **5.1 Athletes**

**5.1.1** For all categories the Australian Champion will automatically be offered the first selection, but if they decline, that position in the team will become a wildcard selection.

**5.1.2** Where a selected Australian Team Member is unable to compete as a result of failing the medical screening and fitness test as provided in clause 6.1 below, this Athlete will be replaced with a wildcard selection.

##### **Men's Divisions**

<b>Selection</b>	<b>SUP Surfing</b>	<b>SUP Racing Technical</b>	<b>SUP Racing Marathon</b>
1	Australian Champion	Australian Champion	Australian Champion
2	Wildcard Selection	Wildcard Selection	Wildcard Selection
<b>Selection</b>	<b>Paddleboard Racing Technical</b>	<b>Paddleboard Racing Marathon</b>	
1	Australian Champion	Australian Champion	
2	Wildcard Selection	Wildcard Selection	

##### **Women's Divisions**

<b>Selection</b>	<b>SUP Surfing</b>	<b>SUP Racing Technical</b>	<b>SUP Racing Marathon</b>
1	Australian Champion	Australian Champion	Australian Champion
<b>Selection</b>	<b>Paddleboard Racing Technical</b>	<b>Paddleboard Racing Marathon</b>	
1	Wildcard Selection	Wildcard Selection	

##### **5.2 Wildcard Selection**

The wildcard selection is at the sole discretion of the National Selection Panel.

## **6.0 Injury**

- 6.1** In the case of a selected Australian Team member incurring injury or incapacity to compete at the highest level in the lead up to the ISA World StandUp Paddle and Paddleboard Games the athlete will be required to pass a medical screening and fitness test conducted by Australian Team medical staff.
- 6.2** In relation to fitness, the determination of the Australian Team medical staff is final.

## **7.0 Appeals**

Decisions made by the Selection Panel are final there is no right of appeal.