

World Distance 2019 – National Age group team / V1 selection Process and policy

National team Representation in age divisions will be determined at the 2019 Long Distance Nationals – held in April in Auckland :

J19	Women	Men
Master 40	Women	Men
Master 50	Women	Men
Master 60	Women	Men
Master 70	Women	Men

(One entry per country)

Men and Women V6 and V1 (One entry per country)

The winning club team/ V1 will win the entry as the New Zealand Representative for that age division and travel to compete at the IVF World Distance Champions in the Sunshine Coast – August 2019

Age Division V6 teams and V1 paddlers are self-funded.

Waka Ama New Zealand will:

- Provide national age division teams with a racing uniform
- Coaching Clinics at least 1 per team with the National Distance Coach
- Letter for each paddler in the team acknowledging national age group representation
- Appoint an Area Co-ordination Team that will manage onsite racing logistics and any IVF management tasks or protests
- Will facilitate a combined training camp for all teams representing New Zealand at the World Championship. (Costs will be outlined in advance of camp)
- Will pay the entry fee to the World Distance Championship.

Policy:

- Should the winning team or V1 Paddler decline the position it will be offered to the next place team until the spot is filled.
- Once selected for winning the 2019 Long Distance Nationals the Team and their Club will acknowledge that they are representing New Zealand and will agree to adhere to the Waka Ama New Zealand Code of Conduct
- The winning club teams may change no more than two (2) paddlers from their teams unless those
 changes are discussed, justified and agreed to with the World Management Committee who will
 include for this purpose the National Distance Coach of the relevant gender
- Should more than 2 paddlers withdraw from a team, then the team will be withdrawn and the next place team at the 2019 Long Distance Nationals will be offered the spot
- Age Division teams are self-funded
- Clubs/teams must consult with Waka Ama New Zealand before submitting any funding or sponsorship applications or requests. Funding and sponsorship must not clash with any national sponsorships and it must not contain Alcohol or tobacco advertising.
- New Zealand Age Division teams will wear a national racing uniform provided by Waka Ama New Zealand

- Paddlers cannot paddle in more than one age category unless the difference is in W6 and V1, i.e the paddler is in a W6 Master 40 team but wins the spot to be the V1 Master 50 representative
- Premier paddlers cannot race in W6 Age category events at the World Championships
- Clubs/Crews must confirm with proof by 1 June 2019 that they have paid deposits for travel to the World Distance Championship.

Time Line

16 August 2018	Outline of Process to be communicated to the membership via email and website Pānui	
1 April	Entries close for 2019 Long Distance Nationals	
21st April	National Age Division teams are announced	
30 April	Club must confirm they are taking up their position	
1 June	Club must show proof of having paid deposits on airfares	
May to July	Clubs must contact Waka Ama New Zealand to discuss any potential changes to the paddlers in the team. Changes must be approved by the WAC.	
9th to 16th August 2019	2nd IVF World Distance Championships	