

## **IVF WORLD SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIPS 2022 – London**

### **New Zealand W1 Qualifying Information**

Due to the cancellation of the 2022 Te Wānanga o Aotearoa Waka Ama Sprint Nationals, Waka Ama NZ has established a process for our Aotearoa NZ W1 paddlers to qualify for the World Sprints.

This process is based on the knowledge that all Regional W1 events will take place either this year or early 2022. If this does not occur – Waka Ama NZ will provide further information.

[Click here to view the World Sprints Quota](#)

Based on the results and qualifiers from the regional events the following will take place:

- By 1 February 2022 Waka Ama NZ will work with our Regions to gather all participants (in eligible age divisions) that qualified as per the National Sprints Quota
- Once Waka Ama NZ has gathered the Regional Qualifiers from each Region, an intent process will take place where those who have qualified at a regional level will be invited to submit their intents for the IVF Va'a World Sprints
- Once the W1 intents close – Waka Ama NZ will determine:
  - those paddlers that automatically qualify (due to not reaching the quota number)
  - those paddlers that will need to race at a Qualifying event (due to being over the World Sprints Quota)
- Those W1 paddlers that are not paddling in a W6 team will be invoiced the \$180 World Sprints Entry fee once confirmed
- A qualifying event will take place at Lake Karāpiro (dates to be advised March/April 2022)
- This event will only be held for those W1 and crew (W6/W12) divisions that are over the Aotearoa NZ quota for the IVF Va'a World Sprints and therefore need to race to determine who will qualify.
- Please note details for the qualifying event are yet to be finalised. Further information including entry fees for the qualifying event will be released once numbers for the qualifying event are confirmed

Please note that the purpose of using the regional events as the initial qualifier for the W1s, allows us to narrow down W1 qualifiers as we would have done at the Sprint Nationals level.

Waka Ama NZ will work with regions for those paddlers who were unable to trial for various reasons.

If you have any further questions please don't hesitate to contact [admin@wakaama.co.nz](mailto:admin@wakaama.co.nz)

Please note based on UK government guidance, it is currently a requirement for attendees (athletes and spectators) of the 2022 IVF World Sprint Championships to be fully vaccinated.

[Click here for guidance on proving vaccination status](#)

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