

PĀNUI 2



Waka Ama World Sprint Championships

Monday 17 - Monday 31 August 2026
Marina Bay, Singapore



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Aotearoa New Zealand

2026 IVF Va'a World Sprint Championships, Singapore

Aotearoa New Zealand Contingent - Pānui 2 - March 2026

KEY DATES

30 March 2026	Mangers Hui on Zoom - link to meeting here
20 April 2026	Nutrition Workshop with Mikki Williden - Fueling for Sprints More details will be shared at managers meeting
27 April 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Paddler roster closes (WAANZ)● All verification for IVF ID and expired photos need to be completed before today
15 May 2026	IVF Paddler register closes. \$150USD for any additions after today
30 May - 1 June 2026 (Kings Birthday weekend)	Combined camp at Lake Karāpiro. More information to come - block the weekend out.
5 June 2026	TUE applications need to have been received by WAANZ by today. For V1 & Elite over 18 paddlers if required
17 - 31 August 2026	World Sprint ELite & Club Championships, Marine Bay, Singapore

TRAVELING MANGER/ PADDLER MANAGER

We need a point of contact for teams particularly when in Singapore. This needs to be a person who will travel with the team - manager. It can be a team member if you do not have a dedicated manager traveling with you.

Can we have these people fill in the this [google form](#) by **Thursday 2 April 2026**

CLUB TEAM CONFIRMATION LETTERS

These will be created and supplied on request for the Club and Team - we do not do individual paddlers from a club team. Happy to include paddler names if we have them. Contact worlds@wakaama.co.nz

ROSTER

The roster on the WAANZ website is now open. You can find the World Sprint Qualifiers in the event calendar, and team members can be added in the usual way through your club.

If your team has qualified in multiple events (e.g., W6 500m, W6 1000m/1500m, etc.), please add the same six paddlers to each event. Any additional paddlers travelling with your team should be emailed through separately. The intent fee covers entry for one waka (six paddlers), so we will need to invoice for any extras.

If you are planning to combine with another team to paddle W12 at the event and have not yet advised us which team, please email those details through as soon as possible. We are now beginning to complete the IVF entries and roster, and having this information early helps speed up the process. Email: worlds@wakaama.co.nz

IVF ENTRIES, ROSTER AND VERIFICATION

Over the next week, all entries will be uploaded into the IVF system. This will become the most reliable place to view and confirm our entries:

<https://www.ivfiv.org/view-entries.html>

We will also begin entering team rosters. For any paddlers who have not previously attended an IVF event, we will require:

- A copy of their passport (PDF or JPEG format)
- A passport-style photo (JPEG or PNG format)

These documents are needed for verification within the IVF system.

Profile photo guidelines below:

Please be mindful that the photos uploaded will be printed on the paddler ID cards. Poor quality photos, blurry

photos or photos of photos will not be accepted by the system. Please also avoid photos with people at the back and

busy backgrounds. Below are further guidelines:

Photos must be clear headshots, similar to what is required for an ID photo. Here are some helpful tips:

- Make sure you are in good lighting, daylight and being outside are good options
- Make sure the background is clear, taking photos against a white wall is a good option
- Do not take the photo too close or too far away, leave approx. 30cm clearance around the head
- Do not crop the photo, our system will do the cropping
- Remove hats, beanies, sunglasses etc. Prescription glasses are ok.
- Make sure to focus on the person's face and hold the camera still to avoid blurry photos
- Do not apply filters to photos
- Make sure the photo is taken face forward and not sideways or with the head tilted

- Do not take a photo of a photo e.g. taking a photo of their passport photo is not accepted

RACING UNIFORM

You may be starting to design your team/club's racing uniform for Singapore. Here are the rules around racing uniform to assist in your planning:

With the exception of variations in sleeve length (e.g. sleeveless, short sleeve or long sleeve), competitors in the same crew must wear identical team uniform tops in competition. Underlayers may be worn by one or more of the crew and are not part of the uniform. Clothing worn below the waist need not be uniform. Headwear is optional and may be worn by only those needing or wanting to wear them.

Racing uniform specifications

Team racing uniforms for all teams must not carry any sponsors' logos.

The only company logo permitted is the brand or mark of the uniform apparel which can appear as a small logo on one side of the chest (for example Nike or Adidas).

Country names and country symbols/logos may appear anywhere on the racing uniform.

Official event logo

No paddler, team or member federation is permitted to use the official event logo or official event graphics on their uniform designs or for any other purpose. ***You can request the WAANZ logo if you wish to use it.***

IVF logo

The IVF logo however may be used by countries on their race uniforms and teamwear.

The size should be no more than 3 inches (10 cm) in diameter and can be placed on the breast, sleeve or back below the neck.

The IVF logo can be used in full colour or as a one-colour print. The design should not be altered in any way.

The logo file can be made available upon request, contact us worlds@wakaama.co.nz

Event Name

The following event names may be used:

IVF World Sprint Championship(s) (YEAR AT BEGINNING OR END)

Or

International Va'a Federation World Sprint Championship(s) (YEAR AT BEGINNING OR END)

Or

IVF World Club Sprint Championship (YEAR AT BEGINNING OR END)

Or

IVF Va'a World Sprints (YEAR AT BEGINNING OR END)

Or

IVF World Va'a Club Sprints (YEAR AT BEGINNING OR END)

LOCATION OF EVENT

The race venue in Singapore is at Marine Bay Waterfront.

They have a great public transport system (Bus and MRT best value) along with Taxis and Grab, Ryde and a couple of other rideshare companies (their version of Uber).



TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION

Our Travel partners at House of Travel have been up in Singapore and gotten some great deals, for flights and accommodation. Currently you can just register interest, and explore the various options, until you know if you have qualified at Nationals. You can get in early by contacting David Williams on 0275876804

or Register your Team details and they will contact you

<https://hotevents.nz/eventsair.com/2026-world-sprint-championship---singapore/singapore-2026>



Transport

Buses and MRT make getting around Singapore easy and cheap.

<https://www.lta.gov.sg/content/ltagov/en/map/train.html>

A little more expensive, but even more convenient you could get a Taxis or Grab (Singapore's version of Uber) plus a few other ride share companies operate there too.

INSURANCE

Travel Insurance including racing on water is **REQUIRED**. All club managers should ensure each paddler has supplied them with insurance details and that it includes cover of on water competition.

Travel Insurance Brokers have agreed to provide travel insurance that covers racing on water again through TAI. Information on how to purchase will be released in February 2026.

Contact worlds@wakaama.co.nz for guidance.

If you have purchased travel insurance through us and something happens from now, meaning you need to make a claim. Contact Bronwyn at Travel Insurance Brokers on **0800 855 0772**. She will give you all the information you need and assist you through the process.

THERAPEUTIC USE EXEMPTION (TUE)

If you are 18 years or older and competing in an Elite team or as a V1 paddler, and you take any medication, please check it against the banned or restricted list here:

<https://www.globaldro.com/Home>

If your medication appears on the list, you will need to complete a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) form. TUE forms are available in the attachments on the [Information Hub page](#) and will require a doctor's appointment to complete.

Once completed, please submit your form to worlds@wakaama.co.nz **as soon as possible and before 5 June 2026**.

If you would like to understand your responsibilities as a paddler, manager, coach, or supporter, you can find further information [here](#).

MEDICATION REGULATIONS FOR SINGAPORE

Singapore has strict regulations on bringing medication into the country. Some medications must be declared or approved before arrival. Please check the [requirements](#).

These strict laws and regulations means there are some prohibited items and behaviours to avoid penalties, or legal issues. Main ones to note: Vaping is strictly prohibited, and carries severe penalties. Chewing gum is also strictly prohibited. Smoking is allowed but in marked areas only.

HELPFUL LINKS

- IVF Sprint Rules: <https://www.ivfiv.org/race-rules--progressions.html>
- Travel safe: <https://www.safetravel.govt.nz/destinations/singapore>
- Link to Integrity Sport NZ: <https://sportintegrity.nz/integrity/anti-doping>
- IVF Website: <https://www.ivfiv.org/2026-world-sprints---singapore.html>
- IVF Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/InternationalVaaFederation>
- Event Host Website: <https://www.worldsprints2026singapore.com>
- Event Host Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/vaa.association.sg/>
- Event Host Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/vaa.association.singapore/>
- Singapore Ocean Cup race dates to be released often early- mid September:
<https://www.facebook.com/singaporeoceancup/>
<https://www.singaporeoceancup.com/soc-our-history>

SINGAPORE EVENT SCHEDULE

Race Schedule can be found [here](#) (once it has been created) & canoe specifications [here](#) or [here](#)

DATE	EVENT
Monday 17 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Canoe/Course Familiarisation
Tuesday 18 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Canoe/Course Familiarisation
Wednesday 19 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Canoe/Course Familiarisation ● Opening Ceremony
Thursday 20 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Elite Championship ● Age Group Elite V1
Friday 21 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Elite Championship ● Age Group Elite V1
Saturday 22 August (if required)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Elite Championship ● Age Group Elite V1
Sunday 23 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Club Championship ● Elite V1
Monday 24 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Club Championship ● Elite V1
Tuesday 25 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Club Championship ● Elite V1
Wednesday 26 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Club Championship ● Elite V1
Thursday 27 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Club Championship ● Elite V1

Friday 28 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Club Championship● Elite V1
Saturday 29 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Club Championship● Elite V1
Sunday 30 August	Saver day
Monday 31 August	Saver Day