



**2018 ICF Canoe Polo World Championships Welland,
Canada
31st July – 5th August 2018**



BULLETIN 2



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1) Introduction

On behalf of the ICF, the Welland Organising Committee and Canoe/Kayak Canada thank you for your entry into the 2018 ICF Canoe Polo World Championships.

With the world championships being staged every even year this is now the thirteenth (13th) ICF Canoe Polo World Championships and the fifth (5th) being held outside of Europe.

This world championship has seen 102 teams from 36 countries competing in the qualifying rounds - full qualification statistics are provided at the end of this bulletin.

There are 67* teams from 26 countries entered into the final rounds in Welland, Canada.

As per your original invitation the event website can be found at:

<https://www.canoeicf.com/canoe-polo-world-championships/welland-2018>

All bulletins can be found posted at:

<https://www.canoeicf.com/canoe-polo-world-championships/welland-2018/team-info>

I note to provide greater clarity Bulletin 1 was enhanced and is now on the website.

In a change to past world championships there will a specific referee briefing bulletin circulated before the world championships. Previously the formal Referee Meeting was immediately before the Team Leaders Meeting and it is felt that for any rule issues/interpretation instructions to be notified to teams this is too late.

Visas – if you haven't already done so please urgently refer to Bulletin 1 and contact the organisers regarding any issues.

Greg Smale – ICF Canoe Polo Chair and Chief Official

* Entry may increase by 4 as Brazil U21 Men and China Women have pending wildcard invitations & work is ongoing for 2 more.

Note - The 2008 ICF Canoe Polo World Championships in Edmonton, Canada comprised 50 teams from 23 countries entered into the final rounds - 20 Men, 17 Women and 13 U21 Men - no U21 Women category in 2008.



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2) Teams entered

Country	Men	Women	U21 Men	U21 Women
Argentina	WC	WC	X	WC
Australia	X	X		
Brazil	C		WC*	
Canada	WC	X	WC	X
China	WC	WC*		
Chinese Taipei	X	C	X	X
Denmark	X	X	X	
France	X	X	X	X
Germany	X	X	X	X
Great Britain	X	X	X	X
Iran	C	X		
Ireland			C	
Italy	X	X	X	
Japan	X	WC	WC	
Malaysia			WC	
Namibia	C		C	
Netherlands	X	X	X	C
New Zealand	X	X	X	X
Poland	X	X		
Portugal	X			
Russia	WC			
Singapore	WC	WC		
Spain	X	X		WC
Sweden	C	C		
Switzerland	X	X	X	
USA	WC	C		
26 countries				
Total per category at 12/4/18	24	19	15	9

X = Qualifier C = Continental Qualifier WC = Wildcard

Note - The following countries declined entry – Belgium, Czech Republic, Lithuania and South Africa.

3) Key Officials



Greg Smale (ICF) – Chief Official



Richard Dalton (HOC) – Event Director Canoe Polo Welland 2018



João Botelho (ICF) - Technical Organiser



Curly Barker (ICF) - Referee Manager



Dominique Le Bellour (ICF) - Referee Manager



Dion Chen (ICF) - Chief Scrutineer



Erin Carl (HOC) – Lead co-ordinator



Chris Helyar (HOC) – Chief Table Official

ICF HQ Staff

- Simon Toulson - ICF Secretary General & Executive Board Member
- Cyril Nivel – ICF Canoe Slalom and Whitewater Technical Manager (includes Canoe Polo)
- Narelle Henderson – ICF IT and Sports Database Coordinator
- Plus 1 – to be confirmed

4) Jury

- Luciano Buonfiglio (ITA) – ICF Executive Board Member (Chair of Jury)
- Ahmad Donyamali (IRI) - ICF Board of Directors - Asian Canoe Confederation Continental Representative
- Andrej Jelenc (SLO) - ICF Board of Directors - European Canoe Association Continental Representative
- Plus 1 – Canada – to be confirmed

5) Competition Committee

- Greg Smale (ICF) - Chief Official
- Richard Dalton (HOC) – Event Director Canoe Polo Welland 2018
- João Botelho (ICF) - Technical Organiser

6) ICF Referees

Referee number	Family name	First name
1*	ABESHZADEH	Ali Reza
2	AMBROSETTI	Ezio
3	ANDERSON	Brian
4	ANDZIAK-GINTER	Marzena
5	ANTHONY	Zoe
6	BELISLE	Ricky
7	BRACKEZ	Virginie
8	BUDDE	Ralf
9	CANALEJAS	Ivan
10	CHAN	Sean
11*	DONZELLI	Andrea
12	DOWNES	Sean
13	DUBUSSION	Thierry Noel
14	FEAR-ROSS	Andi
15*	HELBIG	Lars
16	KONG	Evan
17	KORBER	Swantje
18	KRAVETS	Kirill
19	LIU	Te-Chih
20	MEIER	Kevin
21	PELLI	Maurizio
22*	RASHEDI	Mehrdad
23	ROL	Martijn
24	SONDBERG	Asger
25*	VAN SANTEN	Niels
26	WATTS	Steve
27	WINTER	Elan
28	WU	Sheng Hao

* Travel details not provided to organisers as of 12/4/18

Note: The 2018 ICF Referees will wear headsets to enhance communication with each other and the table.



7) ICF Referee Administration Fee

The 2018 ICF Referee Administration fee is now fixed at 495 Euro per team - an equivalent of just over 10 Euro per player per competition day.

In the near future ICF HQ will send out invoices for payment by 15th June latest.

8) Yupin Sports Sponsorship

<https://www.canoeicf.com/news/international-canoe-and-yupin-sports-agree-exciting-partnership>

Yupin Sports will be providing one complete team set of equipment (8 of each item – kayak, paddle, spay deck, pfd and helmet) to competition specification for the World Championships.

This equipment is available for use by team/s via prior arrangement with the Chief Official. If more than one team wish to use the equipment its use will be shared – not necessarily exclusive use.

9) Competition balls

On the 12th April 2018 the following Wisely ball designs were approved and it is the Wisely ball that will be used for the world championships.



MEN

WOMEN



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10) Scrutineering

Safeguarding – For personal equipment (pfd, spray-deck and helmet) scrutineering women only will check women and likewise the opposite (men will check men) – personal equipment.

- Rule 87.1 - Trademarks, advertising symbols and words must be identical and in the same position on the deck of the kayaks and clothing of all players.
- Rule 87.1.1 - On the kayak front deck the area above the kayak seams and extending 35cm from the front of the cockpit is reserved for a boat sticker incorporating ICF logo, Event logo, Event sponsor logo with the option also of country code for teams. Should this area not be required by ICF/Organisers this will be notified via championship bulletin at least 3 months before the competition opening ceremony – **this area is required by the Organisers.**
- Rule 87.1.2 - On the front of the helmet an area 7cm x 4cm is reserved for an ICF or ICF Sponsor sticker. Should this area not be required by ICF/Organisers this will be notified via championship bulletin at least 3 months before the competition opening ceremony and athletes should apply their country flag to this area. **Following decision 17/2/2018 this area is not required to be reserved and is returned for National Federation use.**
- Rule 87.2 - Members of a team may have different trademarks, advertising symbols and words below the seam of the kayak and on the spray deck as long as the logo or words are the same colour.
- Rule 87.3 - Any kayak, accessory, or article of sportswear, which does not comply with the above-mentioned conditions will be ineligible for use during a competition. Teams are responsible for ensuring their own equipment meets these rules and regulations.





11) Shot-clocks

Following agreement in HOC contract the shot clock will be clearly visible to all players and spectators on the field either directly above, directly below, or to the side of each goal, or in the corner of the field, on the same side as the controlling referee.

12) Line judges

Following proposal by the ICF CAP and agreement in HOC contract goal lines judges will be replaced by cameras.

In the case of infringement occurs a table official (the person with headset in communication with the referees) will raise a red flag and notify the referee.



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13) Doping Education (compulsory for all players and coaches)

ICF Doping Education is quite rightly becoming compulsory across the disciplines and all teams/team leaders are asked to ensure the following is undertaken by all please. There are World Anti-Doping Agency programmes:

- Athletes (Alpha programme)
- Coaches (Coach True programme)

The programme is available in three languages so far, including English, Spanish, French, and should include more additional languages in the future. Athlete Learning Programme about Health & Anti-Doping (ALPHA) consists of eight sessions and takes two hours to complete. Athletes are encouraged to take the course in several stages. Progress is then saved from one visit to another. A pre- and post-course anti-doping knowledge test and attitude survey is included to evaluate the effectiveness of the program.

A score of 80% or higher is required for ALPHA certification, though athletes with insufficient scores are able to repeat the program.

Those who have completed the programme in previous years (2017 World Games) do not need to redo it.

For making the process of checking the participant easier, **please enter the real identity information while creating an account.**

In a change for those who completed the course for the 2017 World Games for 2018 it won't be necessary to send the certificate anymore, as the platform will record it.

The education programme can be accessed via the below ICF link

<https://www.canoeicf.com/pure-paddling-performance>

Those who competed/coached at the 2017 IWGA World Games and provided their certificate (required in 2017) have already received similar training and DO NOT need to repeat this education programme.



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14) Protests – a reminder

Rule 40.2 - All decisions of the referees on questions of fact shall be final and their interpretation of the rules shall be obeyed throughout the game. **No protest or appeal can be made in relation to an interpretive decision of a referee.** The referees shall not make any presumption as to the facts of any situation during the game but shall interpret what they observe to the best of their ability.

Rule 91.1 - A protest made during the competition must be addressed to the Competition Committee and handed to the **Chief Official** not later than 20 minutes after the end of the relevant game.

Rule 91.2 - The Chief Official must notify immediately all parties involved in the protest. After 20 minutes the Competition Committee will start the deliberation on the protest. The decision of the Competition Committee on the protest must be confirmed in writing, not later than 10 minutes after losing of the protest, giving reasons for the decision. The Chief Official must hand the decision to the team leaders. The team leaders must acknowledge receipt of it by signing the Competition Committee's copy and recording the time for the case of any further appeal.

Rule 91.3 - All protests shall be made in writing and be accompanied by a fee of 75 Euros (or equal amount in the currency of the country in which the championships are arranged). The fee will be refunded if the protest is upheld.

Rule 91.4 - When a protest or a report is made against a player or a team, the team leader of the player or team in question shall be presented with a copy of the protest or report to read.



15) Qualification statistics

2017	NATIONAL FEDERATION	CONTINENT	NF TOTAL	MEN	WOMEN	MEN U21	WOMEN U21	TEAM TOTAL
TOTAL WORLD			36	33	27	26	16	102
TOTAL EUROPE			19	17	12	14	8	51
1	AUT	EUROPE	1	1				1
2	BEL	EUROPE	1	1		1		2
3	CZE	EUROPE	1		1			1
4	DEN	EUROPE	1	1	1	1		3
5	ESP	EUROPE	1	1	1	1	1	4
6	FRA	EUROPE	1	1	1	1	1	4
7	GBR	EUROPE	1	1	1	1	1	4
8	GER	EUROPE	1	1	1	1	1	4
9	HUN	EUROPE	1	1				1
10	IRL	EUROPE	1	1		1	1	3
11	ITA	EUROPE	1	1	1	1	1	4
12	LTU	EUROPE	1			1		1
13	NED	EUROPE	1	1	1	1	1	4
14	POL	EUROPE	1	1	1	1	1	4
15	POR	EUROPE	1	1		1		2
16	RUS	EUROPE	1	1	1	1		3
17	SUI	EUROPE	1	1	1	1		3
18	SWE	EUROPE	1	1	1			2
19	UKR	EUROPE	1	1				1
TOTAL OCEANIA			2	2	2	2	1	7
1	NZL	OCENIA	1	1	1	1	1	4
2	AUS	OCENIA	1	1	1	1		3
TOTAL AFRICA			2	2	2	2	1	7
1	NAM	AFRICA	1	1	1	1		3
2	RSA	AFRICA	1	1	1	1	1	4
TOTAL ASIA			9	8	8	7	6	29
1	IRI	ASIA	1	1	1	1	1	4
2	JPN	ASIA	1	1	1	1		3
3	TPE	ASIA	1	1	1	1	1	4
4	SGP	ASIA	1	1	1	1	1	4
5	MAS	ASIA	1	1	1	1	1	4
6	CHN	ASIA	1	1	1			2
7	IND	ASIA	1	1	1			2
8	HGK	ASIA	1	1	1	1	1	4
9	THA	ASIA	1			1	1	2
TOTAL AMERICA ⁽¹⁾			4	4	3	1	0	8
1	BRA	AMERICA	1	1				1
2	ARG	AMERICA	1	1	1	1		3
3	USA	AMERICA	1	1	1			2
4	CAN	AMERICA	1	1	1			2

(1) - French Guyana is part of France in ICF

