



**YACHTING NEW ZEALAND  
SELECTION CRITERIA  
FOR  
PARIS 2024 OLYMPIC SAILING TEST EVENT  
(To be held in Marseille, France 2023)**

## 1. Introduction

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- a. **Purpose:** The purpose of this document is to outline the selection process for the Paris 2024 Olympic Sailing Test Event (to be held in Marseille, France in 2023).
- b. **Objective:** The primary objective for the Paris 2024 Paris Olympic Sailing Test Event of the Yachting New Zealand Olympic Committee (**YNZOC**) is to select Sailors and Crews who are capable of winning medals in Marseille (the sailing venue of the 2024 Paris Olympics). A secondary objective, where the primary objective cannot be achieved, is to select Sailors and Crews who have the potential to win a medal at the Los Angeles 2028 Olympic Games.
- c. **Selection Criteria subject Olympic Qualification System:** This Selection Criteria is subject to any applicable World Sailing entry quota allowance and/or Olympic Qualification System.
- d. **Amendment:** This document may be amended at any time by the YNZOC with approval from the YNZ Board. Any amendments and/or updates will be published on the YNZ website ([www.yachtingnz.org.nz](http://www.yachtingnz.org.nz)), Basecamp, or otherwise notified as considered appropriate by the CEO of YNZ.

## 2. Paris 2024 Olympic Sailing Test Event

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The Paris 2024 Paris Olympic Sailing Test Event will include each of the following Olympic Sailing classes:

Men's IQ Windfoiling
Women's IQ Windfoiling
Men's One Person Dinghy (ILCA 7)
Women's One Person Dinghy (ILCA 6)
Mixed Two Person Dinghy (470)
Men's 49er Skiff
Women's FX Skiff
Mixed Two Person Multihull (Nacra)
Men's Kiteboarding (Formula Kite)
Women's Kiteboarding (Formula Kite)

## 3. Eligibility

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To be eligible for selection a sailor must:

- (a) Be a current member of a YNZ affiliated Yacht Club; and

- (b) Comply with the World Sailing eligibility code (currently specified in Regulation 19 of the World Sailing Regulations).

#### 4. Selection Overview

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**Definition:** For the purpose of this Criteria, “Crew” means a double-handed class team.

**Number of Sailors / Crews:** Only one Sailor or Crew per Olympic class can be selected to participate at the Test Event.

**Selection Regattas:** The YNZOC will designate two (2) selection regattas per class between the dates of 1 January 2023 and the Test Event entry cut-off date. Selection regattas will be confirmed by October 1, 2022 and may vary from class to class. The YNZ Class Selectors can change or add a selection regatta with a minimum of 4 weeks written notice to competitors, prior to the regatta.

**YNZ Class Selectors:** The YNZOC will appoint suitable YNZ Class Selectors (a minimum of 3 per class) as the selectors for the Paris 2024 Olympic test event. The YNZ Class Selectors will be responsible for recommending the Sailors or Crews for selection by the YNZOC.

**Notification:** Following the two (2) selection regattas, the YNZ Class Selectors will notify the Chairperson of the YNZOC and Convenor of Selectors of their recommendations for each class in respect of the Championships; with the recommendations to be put to the YNZOC for consideration / ratification. After consideration / ratification by the YNZOC, all selected Sailors and Crews will be notified as soon as reasonably possible following the final selection regatta for their class.

#### 5. Selection Process

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- (a) The YNZ Class Selectors will consider the performances of a Sailor or a Crew at the end of the two (2) designated selection regattas, based on the lowest combined overall finish placings. For example, a 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> placing beats a 5<sup>th</sup> and a 7<sup>th</sup>. If equal on points after the 2 events the highest-ranking podium finish will be the tie breaker. For example, a 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> placing beats a 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> placing or a 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> beats a 2<sup>nd</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- (b) Notwithstanding paragraph 5 (a), the YNZ Class Selectors may, at their sole discretion, recommend a Sailor or a Crew to the YNZOC who in their view, meets the primary objective set out above or, where the primary objective cannot be achieved, meets the secondary objective outlined above. The YNZ Class Selectors may consider the following factors when recommending a Sailor or Crew pursuant to this paragraph:
  - i) Results and performance in individual races.
  - ii) Conditions encountered during any selection regattas compared to expected conditions in Marseille during the Paris 2024 Olympics.
  - iii) A Sailor or Crew's track record of success at past Olympic Games and/or previous World Sailing pinnacle regattas.
  - iv) A Sailor or Crew's trajectory of results at other regattas in the class that they are seeking selection in.
  - v) Any other factor or extenuating circumstance that the YNZ Class Selectors consider to be relevant.

## **6. Replacement Selection Regattas**

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If either (or both) of the two (2) named selection regattas are cancelled or incomplete, the Chairperson of YNZOC will consult, to the extent he/she considers necessary, with each of the YNZ Class Selectors to determine whether any replacement selection regatta(s) need to be named and/or staged. The Chairperson of YNZOC will then meet with the CEO of YNZ and YNZ's High Performance Director to determine whether or not it is necessary, feasible and/or possible to name / stage a replacement selection regatta. The CEO of YNZ will be solely responsible for making a final decision as to whether a replacement selection regatta is named / staged. If a replacement selection regatta is not named / staged, then the CEO will direct the Chairperson of YNZOC to request that the YNZ Class Selectors make recommendations for selection based on the factors set out in paragraph 5b as may still be applicable.

## **7. Same Combination Crews**

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Crews must race with the same combination in all selection regattas. If this is not possible, then the Crew must submit a written crew member change request to YNZ's High Performance Director prior to any affected regatta outlining the extenuating circumstances.

## **8. Review and Appeal Process**

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- (a) A Sailor or Crew must notify the CEO of YNZ of their wish to review a selection decision. This notification must be made in writing and received by the CEO of the YNZ within 72 hours from the date a Sailor or Crew (as applicable) is notified in writing of the selection decision.
- (a) As soon as practicable, the CEO will convene a meeting between himself / herself, the Chairperson of YNZOC, a representative of the relevant YNZ Class Selectors, the Convenor of Selectors, YNZ's High Performance Director and each Sailor or Crew member (and/or their representative) to review the selection decision.
- (b) At the conclusion of the meeting set out at paragraph 4b, the CEO of YNZ will decide on the merits of the review in his or her sole and absolute discretion.
- (c) If a Sailor or Crew is not satisfied with the decision of the CEO of YNZ, then there is a further right of appeal to the Sports Tribunal of New Zealand.