

# Catho TEAM Selection – Criteria

(GUIDELINES to follow so as to ALLOW A TRANSPARENCY IN THE SELECTION PROCESS TO EXIST)

## Events Selection Criteria Covers

- Board Relay
- Board Rescue
- Cameron / Taplin
- Swim Team
- Sprint Relay Team
- All Age Sprint Relay
- All Age Board Relay

## Selection Committee:

1. Club DOS (Director of Surf Sports) : 1 vote
2. Club Coach: 1 vote
3. Elected Selector: 1 vote
- Club President (Oversee to ensure process followed) - non voting (unless deadlock).

## Selection Criteria

Selection into each team shall be based on data collected from Carnivals, Catho Nipper Days, Time Trials & Training. The **Primary selection data** to be used is results at Carnivals and Nipper Days.

**Secondary data** used will be time trials and training.

As a last resort - It is at the discretion of the selectors that in some cases a surf race off may be used.

## Priority Team

Due to the size of Catho and the small number of competitors available for each team selection it is recommended that teams are prioritised into the best medal winning chances at Branch, State & National levels and selections are made accordingly.

**Definition** - Best individual Medal chance are teamed with the best paddlers from the same age group or age below to form Priority 1 Team.

### **Please Note:**

1. **All Teams picked on merit of athletic performance** and the priority policy all seasons, thus allowing for the establishment of team spirit paddling orders and commitment from all athletes vying for positions.
2. **Selectors may not pick a team in an event** due to inexperience & ability and this may well put undue pressure on an athlete – this will normally occur in younger age groups.
3. **Board Rescue Teams:** To be noted that the best swimmer and the best board paddler do not necessarily make the best Team. Unison combinations are the utmost concern in team selections. Once combinations are established teams train as such throughout the Season.
4. Where athletes vying for team selections are deemed equal Selectors on results and surf abilities then time trial results will be used to formulate teams. Thus non attendance at time trials would hinder selection criteria significantly.
5. The remaining paddlers not selected in Priority 1 team may not necessarily be Priority 2 Team as other age groups may have more credentialed athletes.
6. If any of the Selection Committee have children involved in the selection process they must abstain from voting on that team.

## Notification of Teams:

Where possible all team selections are to be announced one week prior to competition during the Season. Notification for Branch, State and National Titles to be made two weeks prior to competition..

## Challenge Process

All competitors have the right to challenge a selection.

Once the teams have been posted the competitor needs to challenge within 24 hrs.

This challenge needs to be in writing, with a reason and data for the challenge.

Challenges are directed to the following:

Juniors U8 to U14: J.A. Chairman:

Seniors U15 and above: Director of Surf Sports.

If a competitor is not comfortable with either of the above, the challenge should be sent to the Club President.

**(Email & Phone numbers are listed on the website for the above positions)**

**Catho Team Selection Committee.**