



**PROPOSED CANDIDATE FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE ICF CANOE SLALOM COMMITTEE
ENDORSED BY THE PADDLE UK BOARD**

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| Details of the Individual | |
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| Position the individual is seeking nomination from: | ICF Slalom Technical Committee Member |
| Canoeing background/experience | |
| <p>I started paddling in the 1970s. Since then I have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Competed at Club Polo, University Sprint, National Marathon (including regional races and Devizes to Westminster race, fastest non services boat one year).• Been in the top national division of slalom in every class, best end of year ranking finish 4th in C2 (when the British team were numbers 1,2, and 3).• Competed at the top division of WWR in all classes. University team champion K1, National Champion C2, British C2 team.• Qualified as Gate, Section and Senior judge in the 1970s. ICF qualified judge around the same time. Examiner for UK and ICF Judging qualifications for more than a decade.• Judged at all levels: Local, all ranking divisions, World Cup, European Championships, World Championships and Olympics. Traveling to Europe, Asia, Oceania and the Americas to judge.• Organised slaloms at all levels: Local, all ranking divisions, World Cup, European Championships, World Championships and Olympics. So Technical organiser at every UK International Slalom since 2012.• Chief Judge at local level, all ranking divisions, World Cup, European Championships, and World Championships test events.• International Chief Official at World Cup, European Championships and European Games. <p>Over the past 31 years, I have been involved with the UK Slalom Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2 years as a Committee Member• 1 year as Vice Chair• 2 years as Treasurer• 16 years as Secretary. <p>I have been involved in the ECA Slalom Committee for the last ten years. I have been an advisor to the ICF Slalom Committee for last eight years.</p> | |
| Relevant career background, skills and experience | |
| <p>IT Project/Implementation manager, bringing a desire to simplify tasks and roles, improving the consistency of the product and end user confidence. This needed a knowledge of people management, conflict avoidance and budget management. This combines administration, finance and people management in a goal centred environment.</p> | |

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As such my IT knowledge is extensive, both as a user and developer. I have made this available across the world, and as a result have produced automated race documents remotely for events in the Americas, Asia, Australia, and of course Europe.

Now retired with the will, and time, to devote to the ICF Slalom Technical Committee.

Relevant international canoeing background/positions/experience

- Good knowledge of the technical rules, of slalom to allow development of IJCSL exams and to be a point of reference within the current committee for issues.
- Event hosting experience, being technical manager for all internationals run in the UK since (including the London 2012 Olympics)
- As part of the roles of technical designer and ECA Chief Official, I have good experience of venue configuration.
- Collected and consolidated nominations for ICF and ECA Slaloms for several years. Solely responsible for selecting International Technical Officials for European Championships for this Olympic cycle. Providing recommendations for ICF competitions.
- I have been delivering ITO seminars and examinations since 2014. The main provider within the Slalom Technical committee for several years. As well as providing face to face seminars and examinations I was the instigator of providing seminars remotely with remote technical assessments. Reducing the costs to the candidates as they only need to travel for the practical part of the assessment. In this role, I have provided remote assessments and assessments to candidates from Europe, Asian, Australia and the Americas.
- I have been an ICF Committee Advisor for two Olympic cycles, working with the committee to improve the development of race day support and trust for a previous cycle.
- As an Advisor to the Slalom Technical Committee, I have been involved in developing the sport and identifying possible directions to improve and strengthen the base.

Aims and objectives if successful in appointment to the role

- To assist the new Technical Delegate in consolidating the position after the plethora of changes made in the previous two years, many out of the official change cycle.
- Work to increase the profile of Slalom and identify ways to grow the base of the sport whilst preserving the standards at the apex.
- Continue to improve and develop on line learning and assessment for knowledge of the rules and practices of International Slalom and assessment for IJCSL qualifications.

Any other relevant information

This year I will have officiated at the Olympics, the Junior / Under 23 World Championships, Senior and Junior/Under 23 European Championships, three World Cups and the World Masters Championships. Officiating in roles as required, but including Chief Official, Chief Judge, Chief of scoring and video Judge. This continues from previous years so I am globally recognised as a 'face for ICF', and a fair minded person with the reputation of the sport and the technical committee as part of the expectations. Foremost in my conduct at events is fairness to all, athletes, coaches and volunteers.