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## ICF CSL ITO Selection Process

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International Technical Officials (ITO's) for Canoe Slalom competitions are selected in the following way.

### A. World Championships and World Cups

1. The CSLC Committee call to Federations for nominations for the following season in August of the previous year. This is done using a google form submitted back to the committee by the Federation (see [2024 ICF CSL ITO nomination form](#) for a sample) by October.
2. Following receipt of the nominations the CSLC committee select the ITO group for each World Cup and World Championships in the following year.
3. When making this selection they pay close attention to;
  - a. Continental and Federation representation
  - b. Gender equity
  - c. Experience of the cohort and
  - d. Ensuring there are always new ITO's progressing and training for the more specific roles (Chief Judge, Assistant Chief Judge, Video Judge etc)
4. The World Championships lists (Senior and Jun & U23) are passed to the ICF Board of Directors for approval by November the year before the competitions

### B. Olympic Games

For the last three Olympic cycles the committee has pre-selected the ITO's for the next Olympic games considering the criteria as listed above as well as identifying a second ITO who could step into any of the key roles should the incumbent (unexpectedly) not be able to attend the Olympic games.

They then select this same group to be the ITO's at the World Championships the year before the Olympic Games, and for a minimum of at least one World Cup prior to, but in the year, of the Olympic games to build the necessary teamwork and consolidate their experience.

The ITO's Olympic Games selection is confirmed with their individual Federation to ensure they are supported by the Federation.

This Olympic group is then sent to the ICF Board of Directors for approval the year before the Olympic Games.

ICF Canoe Slalom Committee