# USA SWIMMING ATHLETE SELECTION PROCEDURES 2016 OLYMPIC GAMES OPEN WATER November 17, 2014

#### **DEFINED TERMS**

DEFINITIONS – The following common definitions shall apply to this Team Selection Procedure:

- A. Competition. The "Competition" means the swimming 10K Marathon at the 2016 Olympic Games.
- B. Available Swimmer. "Available Swimmer" means a swimmer who (i) qualifies for the Team in an Event according to these Procedures and remains available through the Olympic Games; (ii) satisfies all the applicable FINA, World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA), United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA), the United States Olympic Committee (USOC), and USA Swimming eligibility requirements, as well as any and all eligibility requirements set forth in these Procedures; (iii) indicates that he/she will accept the invitation to become a member of the Team when that invitation is offered by USA Swimming; (iv) continues to train for peak swimming performance through the completion of the 2016 Olympic Games; and (v) agrees to swim in the Competition for which he or she qualifies. If a swimmer does not satisfy these requirements, then he or she is not considered an Available Swimmer.
- C. Final Qualifying Competition. The "Final Qualifying Competition" means the FINA Olympic Marathon Swim Qualifier 2016, date and location TBA.
- D. First Qualifying Competition. The "First Qualifying Competition" means the 2015 FINA 10K Open Water World Championships to be held in July, 2015 in Kazan, Russia.
- E. Head Coach. Unless otherwise indicated, "Head Coach" refers to the head coach of the 2016 Open Water Olympic Team.
- F. National Team Director. "National Team Director" refers to the USA Swimming National Team Director, or his designee.
- G. Nominate/Nominated/ Nomination to the Team.
  "Nominate/Nominated/ Nomination to the Team" refers to the Team

nominated by USA Swimming to the USOC at a time TBA by the USOC and USA Swimming.

- H. 2015 Trials. The "2015 Trials" means the 2015 USA Swimming Open Water World Championship Trials scheduled for April 24, 2015 in Miromar Lakes, Florida.
- I. 2016 Trials. The "2016 Trials" means the 2016 USA Swimming Open Water National Championships, date and location TBA.
- J. Team. "Team" means the 2016 Olympic Team accepted by the USOC at a time TBA by the USOC, plus any changes or replacements pursuant to these Selection Procedures.

#### 1. SELECTION SYSTEM

- 1.1. Provide the minimum eligibility requirements for an athlete to be considered for nomination to the Team
  - 1.1.1. Nationality/Passport requirements:

A swimmer must (a) be a national of the United States at the time of selection, and (b) be eligible to represent the United States in the Olympic Games. A swimmer must also hold a valid U.S. passport that will not expire for at least six months after the conclusion of the Games. The deadline for obtaining a passport that satisfies the requirements of this paragraph shall be established by USA Swimming and the USOC.

1.1.2. Minimum International Olympic Committee (IOC), standards for participation:

Any competitor in the Olympic Games must be a national of the country of the National Olympic Committee (NOC) which is entering such competitor. For additional information regarding a swimmer who is a national of two or more countries, has changed his or her nationality or acquired a new nationality, refer to the IOC Charter (Rule 42).

1.1.3. Minimum FINA standards for participation:

Swimmers must be at least 14 years of age, anytime during the calendar year, for all FINA Open Water Swimming events.

# 1.1.4. Other requirements (if any):

- a. Be a registered athlete member of USA Swimming in good standing;
- b. Qualify to compete in either the First Qualifying Competition or the Final Qualifying Competition, as provided in these Selection Procedures, and then qualify for a spot in the Olympic Games at the First Qualifying Competition or the Final Qualifying Competition, as the case may be;
- c. Be eligible to represent the United States in the Olympic Games;
- d. Be eligible to compete under all applicable rules of the IOC, the Rio Organizing Committee, FINA, WADA, the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency (USADA), the USOC and USA Swimming;
- e. Sign and abide by the USA Swimming competition forms (see attachment A);
- f. Conform to all USA Swimming policies and protocols regarding team preparation and participation; and
- g. Sign and abide by the USOC code of conduct, general release forms, and any other applicable documents as requested by the USOC.

# 1.2. Tryout Events:

- 1.2.1. Provide the event names, dates and locations of all trials, events and camps to be used as part of the selection process.
  - a. The first opportunity to qualify for the Olympic Team is at the First Qualifying Competition, which is described in more detail in Section 1.3.1. The procedures to qualify to compete in the First Qualifying Competition are described below. (Full selection criteria can be found at usaswimming.org).
  - b. If no U.S. swimmer qualifies for the Team at the First Qualifying Competition, then Swimmers will be selected to compete in the Final Qualifying Competition, which represents the last opportunity for U.S. swimmers to qualify for the Olympic Games.

The procedures to qualify to compete in the Final Qualifying Competition are described below.

- 1.2.2. Provide event names, dates, locations and description of how athletes qualify for the trials, events and camps listed above in 1.2.1. (if any).
  - a. <u>Eligibility for 2015 Trials.</u> To qualify for the First Qualifying Competition, a swimmer must compete in the 10K race at the 2015 Trials. In order to qualify for the 2015 Trials, a swimmer must have achieved one of the following qualifying standards:
    - 1. Finished in the top 10 at the 2014 10K Open Water Championships in Castaic, CA; or
    - 2. Finished in the top 15 in a 2014-15 FINA 10K World Cuprace; or
    - 3. Achieved the following pool time standard(s) between July 1, 2014 and April 14.

	800 LCM	1500 LCM	1000 SCY	1650 SCY
Women	8:58.069	17:10.09	9:57.59	16:36.19
Men	8:23.59	15:55.49	9:14.19	15:28.09

- b. <u>Eligibility for 2016 Trials (if necessary)</u>. To qualify for the Final Qualifying Competition, a swimmer must compete in the 10K race at the 2016 Trials. In order to qualify for the 2016 Trials, a swimmer must have achieved one of the following qualifying standards:
  - 1. Finished in the top 10 at the 2015 10K Open Water Championships in Miromar Lakes, Florida; or
  - 2. Finished in the top 15 in a 2015-16 FINA 10K World Cuprace; or
  - 3. Achieved the pool time standard(s) to be announced by USA Swimming by January 1, 2016.
- 1.3. Provide a comprehensive, step-by-step description of the method that explains how athletes will go through the selection process to become Team nominees (include maximum Team size).
  - 1.3.1. Qualifying for Team via the First Qualifying Competition:

- 1.3.1.1. Selection. The top two (2) best finishing U.S. male and top two (2) best finishing U.S. female Available Swimmers in the 10K at the 2015 Trials will swim the 10K at the First Qualifying Competition, based on USA Swimming's FINA Open Water World Championship swimming selection procedures. (see <a href="https://www.usaswimming.org">www.usaswimming.org</a>) The next best finishing Available Swimmers will serve as alternates and replacements, based on their order of finish at the 2015 Trials, in the event of illness, injury, disqualification, or removal of a swimmer from the First Qualifying Competition. For example, the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) best finisher will serve as the first alternate/replacement, the fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) best finisher will serve as the second alternate/replacement, etc.
- 1.3.1.2. <u>Limit on Eligibility</u>. Notwithstanding the process set forth above, under no circumstances will a swimmer be eligible for selection to compete at the First Qualifying Competition if the swimmer finishes more than 10 minutes behind the first place finisher at the 2015 Trials.
- 1.3.1.3. <u>Tie-Breakers.</u> In the instance where there is tie between two or more Available Swimmers at the 2015 Trials to qualify for the First Qualifying Competition, the following methods will be used to break the tie:
  - 1.3.1.3.1. If there is a two-way tie for first place, both Available Swimmers will be considered the top two Available Swimmers in the 2015 Trials;
  - 1.3.1.3.2. If there is a three-way (or more) tie for first place, or if a tie occurs for any place between second through sixth place, then the Available Swimmer(s) with the best finish(es) at the 2015 USA Swimming Open Water National Championships in the 5K events will win the tie-breaker. If only one of the Available Swimmers in the tie attended the 2015 USA Swimming Open Water National Championships and competed in the 10K event, then that Available Swimmer will win the tie-breaker;
  - 1.3.1.3.3. If this does not break the tie, the Available Swimmer(s) with the highest world ranking(s) in the 1500 meter freestyle for the men and the 800 meter freestyle for the women, based on World Rankings January 1, 2014-April 1, 2015 on FINA.org, will win the tie-breaker.

- 1.3.2. Qualifying for the Final Qualifying Competition: Should the Final Qualifying Competition be needed, additional elements of the selection procedures will be posted at usaswimming.org when available.
  - 1.3.2.1. Qualification for 2016 Trials. To qualify for the Final Qualifying Competition, a swimmer must compete in the 10K race at the 2016 Trials (see 1.2.2.b). Additional qualification requirements for the 2016 Trials may be adopted as part of procedures to be developed by USA Swimming.
  - 1.3.2.2. Selection for Final Qualifying Competition. If the U.S. has not already qualified any swimmers in a particular gender for the Olympic Games, the two (2) best finishing Available Swimmers from that gender in the 2016 Trials will be selected to participate in the Final Qualifying Competition. The next best finishing Available Swimmers will serve as alternates and replacements, based on their order of finish at the 2016 Trials, in the event of illness, injury, disqualification, or removal of a swimmer from the First Qualifying Competition. For example, the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) best finisher will serve as the first alternate/replacement, the fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) best finisher will serve as the second alternate/replacement, etc.
  - 1.3.2.3. <u>Limit on Eligibility</u>. Notwithstanding the process set forth above, under no circumstances will a swimmer be eligible for selection to compete in the Final Qualifying Competition if the swimmer finishes more than 10 minutes behind the first place finisher at the 2016 Trials.
  - 1.3.2.4. <u>Tie Breaker.</u> In the instance where there is a tie between two Available Swimmers at the 2016 Trials to qualify for the Final Qualifying Competition, the following methods will be used to break the tie:
    - 1.3.2.4.1. If there is a two-way tie for first place, both Available Swimmers will be selected to the Final Qualifying Competition;
    - 1.3.2.4.2. If there is a three-way (or more) tie for first place, or if a tie occurs for any place between second through sixth place, then the Available Swimmer(s) with the best finish(es) at the 2015 Trials in the 10K events will win the tie-breaker. If only one of the Available Swimmers in the tie attended the 2015 Trials and competed in the 10K, then that Available Swimmer will win the tie-breaker;
    - 1.3.2.4.3. If this does not break the tie, the Available Swimmer(s) with the highest world ranking(s) in the 1500 meter freestyle for the men

and the 800 meter freestyle for the women, based on World Rankings January 1, 2015-April 1, 2016 on FINA.org, will win the tie-breaker.

- 1.3.3. \*\*\*Per FINA rules, swimmers qualify for the Olympics by name at the First Qualifying Competition or the Final Qualifying Competition. Therefore, these Selection Procedures are designed to determine who is selected to compete at the First Qualifying Competition and, if necessary, at the Final Qualifying Competition. Only swimmers who participate in the 10K at the 2015 First Qualifying Competition or the 2016 Final Qualifying Competition will be eligible for nomination to the 2016 U.S. Olympic Team. Please refer to Attachment B for FINA's Qualification System for Marathon Swimming at the 2016 Olympic Games. The Team shall be selected as follows:
  - 1.3.3.1. <u>Maximum Number of Swimmers in Olympic Games.</u> Only a total of 25 men and 25 women from around the world will be permitted to swim in their respective 2016 Olympic Games 10K Open Water races. For purposes of this document, the men's and women's races, and the men's and women's qualifying processes, will be considered separately, unless otherwise stated.
  - 1.3.3.2. <u>Team Size</u>. The maximum allowable U.S. Team size is two (2) men and two (2) women. The actual Team size will be determined once these Selection Procedures have been implemented.
  - 1.3.3.3. Qualification for the Olympic Games at the First Qualifying

    Competition. The only event at which USA Swimming can qualify two men and two women for the 2016 Olympics is in the 10K at the First Qualifying Competition. In order to have two swimmers qualify to swim the 10K at the 2016 Olympic Games, a country must place two swimmers in the top 10 places in the 10K at the First Qualifying Competition. If the U.S. has two men or two women, or both, finish in the top 10 places at the First Qualifying Competition, then both of those swimmers will be Nominated to the Team for that gender. If only one man or woman finishes in the top 10 in the 10K, then only that swimmer will be Nominated to the Team for that gender.
  - 1.3.3.4. Qualification for the Olympic Games at the Final Qualifying Competition. Only if no U.S. swimmer in a particular gender qualifies for the Olympic Games in the First Qualifying Competition (as described in Section 1.3.3.3 above), then a swimmer in that gender may qualify through the Final Qualifying Competition, as more fully described in Section 1.3.3.5-1.3.3.7 below.

- 1.3.3.5. Qualifying for the Olympic Games at the Final Qualifying Competition Top 9. Nine (9) male and female swimmers in the 10K at the Final Qualifying Competition who meet the requirements for qualification set forth by FINA will obtain a slot, by name, for the Olympic Games. No country may qualify more than one male and/or one female for the 2016 Olympic Games via the Final Qualifying Competition. If the best finishing U.S. swimmer in the Final Qualifying Competition meets the requirements for qualification set forth by FINA and qualifies for the 2016 Olympic Games, then he/she will be Nominated to the Team for that gender.
- 1.3.3.6. Qualifying for the Olympic Games at Final Qualifying Competition Continental Champion. If no U.S. swimmer is among the nine (9) best finishers in the 10K for a gender at the Final Qualifying Competition, one U.S. swimmer can qualify for the Olympic Games by being declared the Continental Champion at the Final Qualifying Competition. The Continental Champion will be the best finisher from the Americas (North and South America) finishing below 9th place, but only if that swimmer's country did not already have a swimmer in that gender qualify for the Olympic Games via the First Qualifying Competition or by finishing in the top 9 at the Final Qualifying Competition. If a U.S. swimmer is the Continental Champion pursuant to these rules, then he/she will be Nominated to the Team.

# 2. DISCRETIONARY SELECTION (if applicable)

- 2.1. Provide rationale for utilizing discretionary selection (if any): N/A
- 2.2. List the discretionary criteria and explain how they will be used (if any): N/A
- 2.3. Provide the name of the committee that will be responsible for making discretionary selections, along with a complete list of the members' titles currently serving on the committee:
  - 2.3.1. Specify the process that will be used to identify and handle any potential conflicts of interest involving a member of the committee.

N/A

## 3. REMOVAL OF ATHLETES

3.1. Prior to acceptance of nominations by the USOC, USA Swimming has jurisdiction over potential nominees.

A swimmer who is to be nominated to the Team by USA Swimming may be removed as a nominee for any of the following reasons, as determined by USA Swimming:

- 3.1.1. <u>Voluntary withdrawal</u>. The swimmer must submit a written letter to USA Swimming's Executive Director.
- 3.1.2. <u>Injury or illness as certified by a physician (or medical staff)</u> approved by USA Swimming. If a swimmer is ill and/or injured, and refuses verification of his/her illness or injury by a physician (or medical staff) approved by USA Swimming, his/her injury will be assumed to be disabling, and he/she may be removed by the USOC or USA Swimming, as the case may be.
- 3.1.3. <u>Violation of USA Swimming's Code of Conduct/Honor Code</u>. A swimmer may be removed due to a violation of USA Swimming's Code of Conduct/Honor Code, a copy of which is attached as Attachment A.
- 3.1.4. Other Violations. A swimmer may be dismissed from the Team at any time if (i) the swimmer violates any of the applicable FINA, USOC, IOC, Rio Organizing Committee, WADA, USADA, USA Swimming or other rules and regulations applicable to the Team or its members, including without limitation applicable Codes of Conduct or Honor Codes.
- 3.1.5. Anti-Doping Violation. If a swimmer is alleged to have committed an anti-doping rule violation, that swimmer shall remain on the Team (or remain eligible to be Nominated to the Team) until: a) the swimmer is provisionally suspended or declared ineligible after a hearing conducted pursuant to the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency Protocol for Olympic Movement Testing or by FINA; b) the swimmer voluntarily accepts a provisional suspension or sanction of ineligibility; or c) the swimmer voluntarily withdraws from the Team or relinquishes eligibility to be Nominated to the Team.
- 3.1.6. <u>Failure to Maintain Training Regimen</u>. A swimmer may be removed if the National Team Director, in consultation with the Head

Coaches, the USA Swimming Olympic International Operations Committee (OIOC) Chairman and the USA Swimming Athletes' Executive Vice President, determine that the swimmer is unable or unwilling to maintain a training regimen that is necessary for peak performance at the 2016 Olympic Games (see National Team Commitment Declaration, which is included in Attachment A).

- 3.1.7. Swimmer No Longer Meets Eligibility Requirements. A swimmer may be removed by USA Swimming or the USOC if he/she no longer meets the applicable eligibility requirements set forth herein.
- 3.1.8. Right to a Hearing. A swimmer who is removed from the Team pursuant to the provision explained in 3.1.6 has the right to a hearing per the USA Swimming Bylaws (Part Four of the USA Swimming Rules and Regulations) and the USOC's Bylaws, Section 9.
- - 3.3. A swimmer may be removed as a nominee to the Team or from the Team for an adjudicated violation of IOC, PASO, IPC, WADA, IF, USADA and/or USOC anti-doping protocol, policies and procedures, as applicable, and subject to Section 3.1.5 above.

#### 4. REPLACEMENT OF ATHLETES

- 4.1. Describe the selection and approval process for determining replacement athlete(s) should a vacancy occur:
  - 4.1.1. If the replacement is to occur prior to submission of Entries by Name to the Rio Organizing Committee, including any applicable group or committee:
  - 4.1.2. Any decision to allow replacements will be decided by FINA in accordance with FINA rules. As of the date these Selection Procedures were adopted, FINA has indicated that the following rules shall apply:

- 4.1.2.1. For each gender, if two U.S. swimmers qualify for the 2016 Olympic Games via the First Qualifying Competition and they both withdraw from the Team before the Final Qualifying Competition, then the U.S. would be able to send up to two swimmers in that gender to the Final Qualifying Competition, and only one U.S. finisher in the Final Qualifying Competition would be eligible to be nominated to the Team, provided that he/she otherwise qualifies for the Olympic Games in accordance with Section 1.3.3.4 and other applicable rules.
- 4.1.2.2. For each gender, if two U.S. swimmers qualify for the Games via the First Qualifying Competition and one withdraws from the Team before the Final Qualifying Competition, no additional swimmer may be selected to the Team, and the U.S. will not be allowed to send any swimmers to the Final Qualifying Competition in that gender.
- 4.1.2.3. For each gender, if one U.S. swimmer qualifies for the Team via the First Qualifying Competition and he/she withdraws from the Team before the Final Qualifying Competition, then two U.S. swimmers for that gender will be selected to participate in the Final Qualifying Competition pursuant to these Selection Procedures, and only one U.S. finisher in the Final Qualifying Competition would be eligible to be nominated to the Team, provided that he/she otherwise qualifies for the Olympic Games in accordance with Section 1.3.3.4 and other applicable rules.
- 4.1.3. If the replacement is to occur after submission of Entries by Name to the Local Organizing Committee, including any applicable group or committee:
- 4.1.3.1. If, for any reason, a position on the Team becomes vacant during or after the Final Qualifying Competition, the vacancy may be filled only if and as allowed by FINA. FINA's rules currently state that any vacancies will be reallocated to the next best ranked swimmer in the same gender from the Final Qualifying Competition. Therefore, FINA will likely not allow USA Swimming to add a replacement swimmer to the Team, unless a U.S. swimmer is the next best ranked swimmer in the same gender from the Final Qualifying Competition. USA Swimming will send a formal request to fill the vacant slot to FINA, unless the vacancy occurs at a time when, either by FINA rules or due to the timing of the vacancy (e.g. not enough time for replacement swimmer to fly to

Brazil in time to compete), replacements are not allowed or cannot reasonably be added to the Team.

#### 5. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

USA Swimming will retain the approved Selection Procedures and all supporting documents, including scouting or evaluation forms, etc., and data from the selection process for six months past the date of the Closing Ceremony of the Games.

#### 6. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

In addition to the USOC Code of Conduct, the following documents are required to be signed by an athlete as a condition of nomination to the Olympic Games and are included as attachments:

USA Swimming Competition Forms (Attachment A)

#### 7. PUBLICITY/DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEDURES

The USOC approved Selection Procedures (complete and unaltered) will be posted/published by USA Swimming in the following locations:

# 7.1. NGB Web site: www.usaswimming.org

These procedures will be posted as soon as possible, but not later than five business days following notice of approval by the USOC.

#### 7.2. Other:

The procedures will be emailed to swimmers and their personal coaches upon entry in the 2015 Trials. The Procedures will be made available at the 2015 Trials General Meeting to be held on April 23, 2015.

#### 8. DATE OF NOMINATION

The Nomination of Athletes form, including replacements, will be announced to all athletes and submitted to the USOC on or before:

2 weeks after the Final Qualification Event

#### 9. MANDATORY TRAINING AND/OR COMPETITION

Specify the location, schedule and duration of mandatory training and/or competition:\*\*

Event	<u>Date</u>	Site
Assembly & Training	July 21-31, 2016	California, USA
Training	August 1-5, 2016	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
Competition	August 6-7 or 7-8, 2016	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
Return Home	TBD	

<sup>\*\*</sup>Schedule subject to change

#### 10. ANTI-DOPING REQUIREMENTS

Swimmers must adhere to all IOC, Rio Organizing Committee, WADA, FINA, USADA and USOC anti-doping protocols, policies and procedures, as applicable. This includes participation in Out-of-Competition Testing as required by the IOC, Rio Organizing Committee, WADA, FINA, USADA and USOC Rules, as applicable.

#### 11. DEVELOPMENT OF SELECTION PROCEDURES

The following committee/group (include <u>names</u> and titles) was responsible for creating these Selection Procedures:

Frank Busch, National Team Director, USA Swimming Lindsay Mintenko, National Team Managing Director, USA Swimming Bryce Elser, Open Water Program Manager, USA Swimming Peter Vanderkaay, AAC representative, USA Swimming

#### 12. NGB/HPMO BYLAWS AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

The USA Swimming Bylaws and Grievance Procedures can be found at: usaswimming.org and in the USA Swimming rule book.

#### 13. INTERNATIONAL DISCLAIMER

These procedures are based on IOC, Rio Organizing Committee, as applicable, and/or FINA rules and regulations as presently known and understood. Any change in the selection procedures caused by a change in IOC, Rio Organizing Committee, as applicable, and/or FINA rules and regulations will be distributed to the affected swimmers immediately. The selection criteria are based on the latest information

available to USA Swimming. However, the selections are always subject to unforeseen, intervening circumstances, and realistically may not have accounted for every possible contingency.

If any force of nature, or force majeure, should cause the altercation or cancellation of any of the selection events listed in this document, these selection procedures will be revised, pursuant to their resubmission to the USOC.

The terms and conditions of these written Selection Procedures shall take priority over any verbal explanation, clarification or interpretation of the Selection Procedures, and a swimmer relies on a verbal explanation, clarification or interpretation of these Selection Procedures at his or her sole risk. Any request or question that would involve a formal clarification or interpretation of these Selection Procedures, or that would address an issue not otherwise covered in these Selection Procedures, should be submitted to Lindsay Mintenko at USA Swimming in writing, and the response to such request by USA Swimming must be provided in writing and must be published promptly on the USA Swimming website. Any change to these Selection Procedures must first be approved by the USOC.

#### 14. ATHLETE OMBUDSMAN

Athletes who have questions regarding their opportunity to compete that are not answered by USA Swimming may contact the USOC Athlete Ombudsman, Kacie Wallace, by:

- Telephone at (719) 866-5000
- Toll-free telephone at (888) ATHLETE (1-888-284-5383)
- http://www.teamusa.org/For-Athletes/Athlete-Ombudsman.aspx

#### 15. NGB/HPMO SIGNATURES

I certify that I have read and understand the standards/criteria set by our IF and/or CF (PAG/PPAG only) and incorporated those standards/criteria into our Selection Procedures. I further certify that the information provided herein regarding Athlete Selection Procedures represents the method approved by USA Swimming.

Position	Print Name	Signature	Date
NGB/HPMO President or CEO/Executive Director	Chuck Wielgus	Church Wielgen	1/26/15
National Team Director	Frank Busch	FSBX	1-22-5

USOC Athletes' Advisory Council Representative*	Peter Vanderkaay	Mulut	1-26-15
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<sup>\*</sup> If the USOC AAC Representative has delegated authority to the Alternate AAC Representative to sign the Selection Procedures, attach a letter from the AAC Representative indicating the reason he/she has delegated authority.

<sup>\*</sup> Signature by the Athlete Representative constitutes that he/she has read and understands the Selection Procedures. If the Athlete Representative reads and does not agree with the Athlete Selection Procedures being submitted by USA Swimming he/she may submit those reasons in writing to his/her Sport Performance Team.

<sup>\*</sup> If, for some reason, a sport does not have an elected USOC AAC Representative, USA Swimming must designate an athlete from that sport to review and sign the Selection Procedures.

#### ATTACHMENT A

# USA Swimming National Team HONOR CODE

As a member of the USA	Swimming National Team (USAS NT)
I,	understand and will comply with the following
guidelines as set forth by	y USA Swimming and the Olympic International
Operations Committee r	egulations.

- 1. The possession or use of alcohol, tobacco products or controlled substances by any athlete or staff member of the USAS NT is prohibited throughout the duration of the trip (until the team has officially disbanded).
- 2. Curfews established by the staff will be adhered to each day of the training camp and at the competition.
- 3. Team members and staff will attend all team functions including meetings, practices, exhibitions, press conferences, competitions, etc., unless otherwise excused or instructed by the head coach or National Team Director or National Team Managing Director.
- 4. To ensure the propriety of the athletes and to protect the staff, there will be no male athletes in female athlete's rooms, and no female athletes in male athlete's rooms. There will be a team room provided for relaxation and recreation whenever possible.
- 5. Team members and staff will comply with USA Swimming and United States Olympic Committee uniform requirements. Details of this policy will be further explained at the beginning of the training camp or competition.
- Team members and staff will refrain from any illegal or inappropriate behavior that would detract from a positive image of the USAS NT or be detrimental to its performance objectives.
- 7. Team members will display proper respect and sportsmanship toward coaches, officials, administrators, fellow competitors and the public.
- 8. USA Swimming will negotiate the rights of access to the USAS NT. Once an organization has negotiated these rights with USA Swimming, the following shall occur:

- a. In the not-for-profit mode, National Team members and staff will comply with the USA Swimming request. These are considered to be promotion opportunities for the sport of swimming, to include but not limited to exhibition and promotional appearances. Any request for team or staff appearances will have the prior approval of the head coach or National Team Director/National Team Managing Director.
- b. In the for-profit mode, USA Swimming will have negotiated a set fee to include all members of the team and staff. All members will be asked if they wish to participate under these terms and financial arrangements. They may then: 1) Decline to participate, 2) Negotiate a higher fee directly with the for-profit organization; 3) Participate at the scale set by USA Swimming. Coaches, managers and athletes will all be included under these terms.
- 9. Any additional guidelines for the USAS NT will be established as needed by the National Team Director & General Manager/National Team Managing Director.

#### IMPLEMENTATION:

- 1. All team and staff are apprised in writing of this policy. Signature of this document constitutes unconditional agreement to comply with Honor Code of the USAS NT.
- 2. An evaluation system will be established to determine if all aspects of the policy have been followed by team and staff members.
- Failure to comply with the Honor Code as set forth in this document for the USAS NT may result in disciplinary action under the provisions of Section 8, USA Swimming-OIOC Policy Manual.

Such discipline may include, but may not be limited to: 1) Dismissal from the team and immediate return home; 2) Disqualification from one or more events, or all events of competition; 3) Disqualification from future USA Swimming and international competition; 4) Financial penalties.

Any appeal following any disciplinary action shall be in accordance with Part Four of USA Swimming Rules and Regulations.

Name:	
Event:	
Signature:	Date:

# USA Swimming Authorizations, Waiver and Release Form

Competition, activity or eve	ent:
General Acknowledgement	& Acceptance
Ι,	, hereby acknowledge that all information and
signatures on this form are a	applicable to my participation in this USA Swimming
activity and I agree to abide	by the regulations specified in these documents and in
the Rules and Regulations of	f USA Swimming for the management and conduct of
the USA Swimming Program	n.

### **XVII.** Oath of Eligibility

I declare that I am eligible and in good standing with regulations laid down by USA Swimming, the International Federation for Amateur Swimming (FINA), and the International Olympic Committee (IOC). I also declare I am not under suspension or disciplinary action imposed for use of illegal drugs or other athlete regulation infractions. I agree to sign additional documents to this effect when required to do so by USA Swimming or the local organizing committee.

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, I am in good physical condition and have no disease or injury that would impair my performance in this activity and agree that while a participant in this activity, I will keep myself in top physical condition and retain my eligibility status.

#### Doping

I understand that it is the policy of USA Swimming to discourage and prevent the use of prohibited doping substances and prohibited doping methods. The FINA Anti-Doping Rules are available online and from USA Swimming. I know that I should call the USADA Drug Reference Line (1-800-233-0393) or check at the Drug Reference Online (www.usantidoping.org/dro) to check the status of all medications and substances I am currently using, and to satisfy any questions or concerns that I may have about medications and prohibited substances and methods.

I do not currently engage in, nor do I intend to use any prohibited substances and methods. I acknowledge that the use of prohibited substances or prohibited methods may subject me to disqualification and other sanctions imposed by USADA, FINA or IOC.

#### **Drug Testing**

I understand that testing organizations (USADA, FINA, WADA, etc.) will conduct drug

testing on athletes during and outside of competition. By registering for this competition, I hereby consent to and authorize the testing organizations (USADA, FINA, WADA, etc.) to test me for prohibited substances and prohibited methods at any time. I further acknowledge and agree that my refusal to participate in a drug test may subject me to disqualification and sanctions, the same as if I had tested positive for a prohibited substance.

I hereby authorize USA Swimming to include the results of any drug testing of me in the published statistics for drug testing and to include my name in the list of athletes who have been

drug tested, which USA Swimming publishes on their website. In the event I refuse to submit to a drug test or a drug test has a positive result, I recognize that I am subject to the adjudication processes established by the US Anti-Doping Agency (USADA) and FINA, because of my refusal or positive test.

#### XIX. Authorization & Event Promotion

I agree to be filmed and photographed by the official photographer(s) and network(s) of USA Swimming under the conditions authorized by USA Swimming and give USA Swimming and the event organizers the right to use my name, picture, likeness, and biographical information before, during and after the period of my participation in these activities to promote the event and the sport of swimming for non-commercial purposes.

I understand and agree not to use or authorize use of pictures of myself in the uniforms and equipment provided by USA Swimming for the purpose of trade, without the consent of USA Swimming. I agree not to use medals or photos, portraits or film of myself with the medals, which I receive for my performance, for the purpose of trade. Furthermore, it is agreed that I shall return these uniforms and equipment, bearing USA Swimming logos and marks, if and when requested.

- (1)
- (2) Authorization for Medical Services

I hereby give consent for USA Swimming to provide or obtain for me medical care and treatment and emergency medical services for any injuries arising from my participation in this activity. Additionally, I hereby agree that, in the event I elect to obtain any of these services or treatments from any sources other than that provided or obtained by USA Swimming, I shall accept full and complete responsibility.

I further authorize release of any medical information necessary to process a claim for accident/medical payment insurance for an injury or illness incurred while I am participating as a member of the USA Swimming delegation in this activity.

# **XXI.** Risk of Serious Injury:

I understand and appreciate that my participation in the sport of swimming carries a risk of serious injury, including permanent paralysis or death. I voluntarily and knowingly recognize, accept and assume this risk.

#### **WAIVER & RELEASE**

In consideration of allowing me to participate in this activity, I hereby release and hold harmless USA Swimming, members of its board of directors, and its officers, employees, members, volunteers, other participants, and agents (collectively, the "Released Parties"), of and from, and do discharge and waive, any and all claims, demands, losses, damages, and liabilities that I may have or sustain with respect to any and all damage and/or injury, of any type, arising out of my participation in this USA Swimming activity.

Participant's Signature:	
Participant's Name: Date: _	
Parent/Guardian's Signature on behalf of participant (if	under 18):
Relationship:	
Parent/Guardian Name (please print):	Date:

(If applicant is under 18 years of age, the parent(s) or guardian(s) must execute the following additional waiver and release.)

# Waiver and Release - Parents'/Guardians' Rights

In consideration of allowing my child or the minor for whom I act as a guardian ("Minor Participant") to participate in this activity, I hereby release and hold harmless the Released Parties (as described above), of and from, and do discharge and waive, any and all claims, demands, losses, damages, and liabilities that I may have or sustain with respect to any and all damage and/or injury, of any type, arising from Minor Participant's participation in this activity.

#### Indemnification by Parent/Guardian

The undersigned parent/guardian further agrees to indemnify, save and hold harmless the Released Parties from any and all claims, demands, losses, damages and liabilities for indemnities, contribution or otherwise with respect to any damage and/or injury, of any type, arising from Minor Participant's participation in this activity.

Parent/Guardian Signature:	Relationship:	_
Parent/Guardian Name (please print):	Date:	

# USA NATIONAL TEAM 2016 OPEN WATER OLYMPIC GAMES TEAM COMMITMENT DECLARATION

I agree to fully commit to a comprehensive training program designed for peak performance in the 2016 Open Water Olympic Games.

If for any reason I become unable to fulfill this commitment, I will immediately

notify the National Team Director. I understand that I reteam if circumstances interfere with my preparation for J	nay be withdrawn from the
Athlete's Printed Name	
Athlete's Signature	
Parent Signature (if under 18)	
Date	
Coach's Signature (witness)	

# USA Swimming Code of Conduct PART THREE: RIGHTS, PRIVILEGES, CODE OF CONDUCT

#### **ARTICLE 301 MEMBER RIGHTS**

**301.1** Except as provided in 301.2, no individual or organizational member of USA Swimming, nor any organization affiliated with USA Swimming, may deny or threaten to deny any eligible amateur swimmer, coach, trainer, manager, official or administrator the opportunity to participate in any international swimming competition approved by USA Swimming, if selected by USA Swimming or one of its members. In addition, except as provided in 301.2, no individual or organizational member of USA Swimming, nor any organization affiliated with USA Swimming, may censor or otherwise penalize subsequent to the event any swimmer, coach, trainer, manager, official or administrator for having participated in any such international swimming competition approved by USA Swimming.

**301.2** An educational institution which a swimmer is attending at the time of such international competition may deny the swimmer the opportunity to participate only if said educational institution reasonably determines that such participation would either:

- .1 Prevent the swimmer from meeting the academic requirements which are applicable to all students who participate in the swimmer's particular course of study.
- .2 Jeopardize the swimmer's or the educational institution's performance in the established program in the particular sport in which the swimmer competes, provided that the international competition occurs during the scheduled competitive season of the educational institution.

**301.3** Any swimmer, coach, trainer, manager, official or administrator who alleges that he or she has been denied or is about to be denied, by a person or an organization affiliated with USA Swimming, a right as set forth in 301.1, shall immediately inform the Executive Director, who shall promptly cause an investigation to be made and steps to be taken to settle the controversy without unnecessary delay. Such steps shall include, but shall not be limited to, advising the Secretary General of the U.S. Olympic Committee, and submitting the matter to the American Arbitration Association for binding arbitration.

**301.4** Whenever a swimmer, or party acting on his/her behalf, informs the Executive Director of an alleged violation of the swimmer's right to participation as set forth in 301.1, the Executive Director shall review all the related evidence of the case and make a report, with a preliminary recommendation, to the National Board

of Review within thirty (30) days, or sooner if the situation requires. The Board of Review shall review the case and the preliminary recommendation of the Executive Director and take whatever action it deems appropriate. Any of the parties involved in the action who are dissatisfied with the decision of the National Board of Review may appeal said decision under the provisions set forth in 408.1.

#### **ARTICLE 302 ATHLETE REGISTRATION**

**302.1 REGISTRATION** — All swimmers competing in events sanctioned by USA Swimming must be registered as athlete members of USA Swimming. Athlete members must meet the

rules of eligibility contained in Article 303. No swimmer alleged to be ineligible shall be denied the right to register and compete without being afforded the opportunity to refute the allegations relating to his/her possible ineligibility, pursuant to Parts Four and/or Six.

**302.2 MEMBERSHIP** — Athlete membership will consist of an annual membership, an outreach membership, a seasonal membership, or a single-meet open water membership.

- Annual membership Membership is for a calendar year. Non-members applying for membership on or after September 1 will be issued a membership card valid through December 31 of the following year.
- .2 Outreach membership Annual Membership with specially-reduced fees.
- Individual seasonal membership At the option of the LSC, membership may be offered for one or two periods of not more than 150 days per period within a registration year. Seasonal membership may also be offered for an unspecified but continuous period of not more than 150 days commencing on the date of registration. Seasonal member-ship is not valid for competition at or above the Zone Championship level.
- .4 Single-Meet Open Water Membership At the option of the LSC, membership may be offered for the specific date(s) of an open water competition(s). The athlete must compete unattached. Single-meet membership is not valid for competition at or above the Zone Championship meet.

**302.3 APPLICATION/RENEWAL** — Athlete membership applications and payment as set forth in 502.5 shall be submitted to the registration chair of the LSC who, upon approval, shall issue a membership card. The registration chair may

designate deputy registrars to accept applications on behalf of the chair and forward for approval.

**302.4 FALSE REGISTRATION** — A host LSC may impose a fine of up to \$100.00 per event against a member coach or a member club submitting a meet entry which indicates a swimmer is registered with USA Swimming when that swimmer or the listed club is not properly registered. The host LSC will be entitled to any fines imposed.

#### **ARTICLE 303 ELIGIBILITY**

**303.1** It shall be the responsibility of all USA Swimming members to comply with the rules and regulations of USA Swimming and the Rules, Constitution and Bureau decisions of FINA, as well as to avoid acting in any manner which brings disrepute upon USA Swimming or upon the sport of swimming.

**303.2** Except as provided for in Section 203.9, only athlete members of USA Swimming are eligible to compete.

**303.3** As a member National Governing Body of the United States Olympic Committee (USOC), and as a member Federation of Federation Internationale de Natation Amateur (FINA), USA Swimming is obligated to adhere to the anti-doping rules of the USOC and FINA. In addition, USOC Bylaw Chapter XXIII, Section 2(G) provides that, as a condition of membership in the

USOC, each National Governing body shall comply with the procedures pertaining to drug testing and adjudication of related doping offenses of the independent antidoping organization designated by the USOC to conduct drug testing. The USOC has designated the United States Anti-Doping Agency ("USADA") as that organization. The current anti-doping rules of the USOC, FINA and USADA are available at the offices of USA Swimming or on line at the following websites: FINA www.fina.org USOC www.usoc.org USADA www.usantidoping.org As a condition of membership in USA Swimming, it is the responsibility of each athlete member of USA Swimming to comply with the anti-doping rules of the FINA, USOC and USADA and to submit, without reservation or condition, to incompetition and out-of-competition doping controls conducted by either the FINA or USADA. (Out-of-competition doping controls by USADA may take place at USA Swimming elite-level camps, training sessions at USOC facilities, or with no advance notice any time for athletes designated by USA Swimming and USADA for inclusion in USA Swimming's no advance notice testing pool.) Pursuant to USOC Bylaw Chapter XXIII, Section 2(G), the management of positive and elevated test results for USA Swimming athletes has become the responsibility of USADA. Any inconsistent provisions elsewhere in USA Swimming rules are hereby superseded.

USA Swimming will, without further process, enforce and publish any sanction communicated to USA Swimming by USADA resulting from adjudication of a doping control under the USADA Protocol for Olympic Movement Testing.

**303.4** A swimmer shall cease to be eligible to compete in events conducted by USA Swimming or its LSCs, or by any FINA Federation, while under suspension or if expelled by USA Swimming for violations of this Part Three.

**303.5** A swimmer may be registered for USA Swimming and Masters Swimming at the same time. Membership in U.S. Masters Swimming does not imply or presume membership in USA Swimming.

**303.6** A swimmer declared ineligible for any reason may be reinstated pursuant to the provisions of Article 404.

#### **ARTICLE 304 CODE OF CONDUCT**

**304.1** The mission of USA Swimming is to encourage participation and the pursuit of excellence in all aspects of swimming. USA Swimming grants the privilege of membership to individuals and organizations committed to that mission. The privilege of membership may, therefore, be withdrawn or denied by USA Swimming at any time where USA Swimming determines that a member or prospective member's conduct is inconsistent with the mission of the organization or the best interest of the sport and those who participate in it.

In order to assist all members to better serve the interests of those who participate in swimming, USA Swimming has adopted this Code of Conduct.

**304.2** Any member, former member, or prospective member of USA Swimming is subject to the jurisdiction of the Board of Review. Any member, former member, or prospective member of USA Swimming may be denied membership, censured, placed on probation, suspended for a definite or indefinite period of time with or without terms of probation, fined or expelled from USA Swimming for life if such person violates the provisions of the USA Swimming Code of Conduct, set forth in 304.3, or aids, abets or encourages another person to violate any of the provisions of the USA Swimming Code of Conduct. USA Swimming shall initiate an investigation of any former member of USA Swimming when a report required under 306.1 is received.

**304.3** The following shall be considered violations of the USA Swimming Code of Conduct:

.1 Violation of the right to compete provisions set forth in Article 301.

- .2 Violation of the anti-doping provisions set forth in 303.3.
- Jiscrimination in violation of the Amateur Sports Act which requires that USA Swimming must provide an equal opportunity to athletes, coaches, trainers, managers, administrators, and officials to participate in the sport of swimming. Athletes must be allowed to participate and compete to the fullest extent allowed by the Rules and Regulations. Discrimination against any member or participant on the basis of age, gender, race, ethnicity, culture, religion, sexual orientation, gender expression, genetics, mental or physical disability, or any other status protected by federal, state or local law, where applicable, is prohibited.
- .4 Violation of any of the Athlete Protection Policies set forth in Article 305
- .5 Violation of any of the Sexual Misconduct Reporting Requirements set forth in Article 306 or the Prohibitions Against Retaliation for Good Faith Reporting of Abuse set forth in Article 307.
- Conviction of, imposition of a deferred sentence for, or any plea of guilty or no contest at any time, past or present, or the existence of any pending charges, for (i) any felony, (ii) any offense involving use, possession, distribution or intent to distribute illegal drugs or substances, (iii) any crime involving sexual misconduct, or (iv) any criminal offense against a minor.
- .7 Bullying is prohibited. For the purposes of the Code of Conduct, the term "Bullying" shall mean, regardless of when or where it may occur, the severe or repeated use by one or more USA Swimming members ("Members") of an oral, written, electronic or other technological expression, image, sound, data or intelligence of any nature (regardless of the method of transmission), or a physical act or gesture, or any combination thereof, directed at any other Member that to a reasonably objective person has the effect of: (i) causing physical or emotional harm to the other Member or damage to the other Member's property; (ii) placing the other Member in reasonable fear of harm to himself/herself or of damage to his/her property; (iii) creating a hostile environment for the other Member at any USA Swimming activity; (iv) infringing on the rights of the other Member at any USA Swimming activity; or (v) materially and substantially disrupting the training process or the orderly operation of any USA Swimming activity (which for the purposes of this section shall include, without limitation, practices, workouts and other events of a member club or LSC). Allegations of Bullying of an athlete by a coach shall be investigated under 304.3.13.

- A. Any inappropriate sexual conduct or advance, or other inappropriate oral, written, visual, or physical conduct of a sexual nature at any time, past or present, directed towards an athlete or any person under the age of eighteen (18) by (i) a coach member or other non-athlete member, or (ii) any other adult participating in any capacity whatsoever in the activities of USA Swimming (whether such adult is a member or not).
  - B. Any act of sexual harassment, including without limitation unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other inappropriate oral, written, visual, or physical conduct of a sexual nature in connection with or incidental to a USA Swimming-related activity by any person participating in the affairs or activities of USA Swimming (whether such person is a member or not) directed toward any member or other person participating in the affairs or activities of USA Swimming.
  - C. A romantic or sexual relationship, even if it is a consensual relationship between adults, which began during the swimming relationship, between athletes and those individuals (i) having direct supervisory or evaluative control, or (ii) who are in a position of power and trust over the athlete. Except in circumstances where no imbalance of power exists, coaches have this direct supervisory or evaluative control and are in a position of power and trust over those athletes they coach. The prohibition on romantic or sexual relationships does not include those relationships where it can be demonstrated that there is no imbalance of power. For example, this prohibition does not apply to a relationship between two spouses or life partners which existed prior to the swimming relationship. For factors that may be relevant to determining whether an imbalance of power exists, consult the USOC's Safe Sport Policies at <a href="https://www.teamusa.org/Footer/Legal/Governance-Documents">www.teamusa.org/Footer/Legal/Governance-Documents</a>.
  - D. Any peer-to-peer sexual abuse. For the purposes of the Code of Conduct, the term "peer-to-peer sexual abuse" shall mean any unwelcome physical conduct of a sexual nature directed towards a minor athlete by another minor athlete.
- .9 The sale or distribution of illegal drugs or the illegal sale or distribution of any substance listed on FINA's recognized list of banned substances.
- .10 The use of illegal drugs in the presence of an athlete, by a coach, official, trainer, or a person who, in the context of swimming, is in a position of authority over, that athlete.

- .11 The providing of alcohol to an athlete by a coach, official, trainer, manager or any other person where the athlete is under the legal age allowed to consume or purchase alcohol in the state where the alcohol is provided.
- .12 The abuse of alcohol in the presence of an athlete under the age of eighteen (18), by a coach, official, trainer, or a person who, in the context of swimming, is in a position of authority over that athlete.
- Abuse A Physical abuse of an athlete by any person who, in the context of swimming, is in a position of authority over that athlete. "Physical abuse" is defined as a non-accidental injury and/or an injury primarily caused by the gross negligence on the part of the person in a position of authority over the athlete. B Bullying of an athlete by a coach member or other non-athlete member who is in a position of authority over that athlete.
- For any USA Swimming member club or coach to knowingly: A allow any person who has been placed on the USA Swimming list of "Individuals Permanently Suspended or Ineligible" to coach or instruct any of its athlete members, B aid or abet coaching or instruction of athletes by any person who has been placed on the USA Swimming list of "Individuals Permanently Suspended or Ineligible," or C allow any person who has been placed on the USA Swimming list of "Individuals Permanently Suspended or Ineligible" to have an ownership interest in such USA Swimming club or its related entities.
- Any act of fraud, deception or dishonesty in connection with any USA Swimming-related activity.
- Any non-consensual physical contact, obscene language or gesture, or other threatening language or conduct directed towards any meet official and which is related to any decision made by such official in connection with a USA Swimming sanctioned competition.
- .17 Action, other than through general advertising, by a coach, owner, officer, volunteer, representative, or employee of a swim club, or a USA Swimming or LSC employee, either through direct contact with an athlete or the encouragement of others, to recruit or otherwise encourage an athlete who is already a member of a USA Swimming member swim club to leave that club, unless the acting party receives prior written approval to recruit or encourage the athlete to change affiliation from the designated club representative of the athlete's existing USA Swimming-member swim club or contact is initiated by the athlete, the athlete's parent or authorized representative. General advertising includes any information that is:

A. Distributed to an identifiable general population where there is a reasonable expectation that the majority of that population are not current members of USA Swimming, or

B. Placed in or on any item that is sold.

In the event of a violation of this section, a sanction may be imposed against any coach, owner, officer, volunteer, representative or employee of a swim club, or against any such club, or any combination thereof, as appropriate.

- Violation of any team misconduct rule as established by the USOC, USA Swimming, any Zone or LSC team authority.
- Any other material and intentional act, conduct or omission not provided for above, which is detrimental to the image or reputation of USA Swimming, a LSC or the sport of swimming.

# USA Swimming National Team NATIONAL TEAM PROTOCOL

- 1. Swimmers are expected to stay focused on swimming fast and minimize walking, sunbathing, sightseeing, etc. until they have finished their last event.
- 2. All swimmers are required to attend each finals session through the last awards ceremony, unless excused by the Head Coach or National Team Director / National Team Managing Director.
- 3. When not preparing for their own events, swimmers are expected to remain in the team area to support their teammates.
- 4. Team Uniform Caps as prescribed by the National Team Director must be worn during competition, which must be approved by FINA and USA Swimming. All technical gear must be approved by FINA and USA Swimming.
- 5. It is expected that swimmers represent their country with the same aggressive determination in the consolation final as in the championship final. Unless excused by the National Team Director or the Head Coach, swimmers may not scratch from a consolation final.

- 6. When applicable, USOC issued dress sweats must be worn when receiving an award or during USOC organized press conferences. ARENA sweats and/or USA Swimming issued apparel must be worn at all other times on deck or during official team functions. (Athletes may wear the apparel of their choice during their personal time.)
- 7. No hats or head coverings should be worn when receiving awards.
- 8. All team members will be expected to demonstrate proper respect for the American flag and the national anthem.
- 9. After a swimmer has swum his/her last event, attendance at all remaining sessions (including preliminaries) is required.

Name:	
Signature:	
Date	

#### Attachment B





QUALIFICATION SYSTEM - GAMES OF THE XXXI OLYMPIAD - RIO 2016

# FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DE NATATION

# **Marathon Swimming**

## A. EVENTS (2)

Men's Event (1)	Women's Event (1)
10km Marathon Swimming	10km Marathon Swimming

#### B. ATHLETES QUOTA

#### 1. Total Quota for Marathon Swimming:

	Qualification Places	Host Country Places	Total
Men	24	1	25
Women	24	1	25
Total	48	2	50

#### 2. Maximum Number of Athletes per NOC:

	Quota per NOC
Men	2
Women	2
Total	4

#### 3. Type of Allocation of Quota Places:

The quota place is allocated to the athlete(s) by name

#### C. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

All athletes must comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force, including but not limited to, Rule 41 (Nationality of Competitors). Only those athletes who have complied with the Olympic Charter may participate in the Olympic Games.

Only the athletes who are eligible to participate at the official FINA competitions, in accordance with the <u>FINA</u> <u>Rules</u>, are entitled to participate in the Olympic Games.

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