USA SWIMMING SWIMMER SELECTION PROCEDURES 2015 FINA Open Water World Championships Kazan, Russia July 25- August 1, 2015

Defined Terms- The following common definitions shall apply to this Team Selection Procedure:

- A. <u>Championships</u>: The "Championships" means the 2015 FINA Open Water World Championships to be held July 25-August 1, 2015 in Kazan, Russia.
- B. Available Swimmer. "Available Swimmer" shall mean a swimmer who, at the time of selection and through the Championships, (i) is a registered athlete member of USA Swimming in good standing; (ii) is a citizen of the United States who is eligible to represent the United States at the Championships: (iii) has a valid passport by June 1, 2015 that remains valid through six months after the end of the Championships; (iv) satisfies all applicable FINA, World Anti Doping Agency (WADA), United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA) and USA Swimming eligibility requirements (according to FINA rules swimmers must be at least 14 years of age, anytime during the calendar year, for all FINA Open Water Swimming events); (v) indicates that he or she will accept an invitation to become a member of the Team and swim in the event for which he/she qualifies if and when that invitation is offered by USA Swimming; and (vi) continues to train for peak swimming performance. If a swimmer does not satisfy these requirements, then he/she will not be considered an Available Swimmer.
- C. <u>Head Coach</u>. Unless otherwise indicated, "Head Coach" refers to the head coach of the Team.
- D. <u>National Team Director</u>. "National Team Director" refers to the USA Swimming National Team Director or his designee.
- E. <u>Qualifying Competition</u>. The "Qualifying Competition" means the 2015 USA Swimming Open Water World Championship Trials (10K and 5K events) to be held on April 24 and 26 at Miromar Lake, Florida.
- F. <u>Team</u>. "Team" means the 2015 FINA Open Water World Championship Team to be announced by USA Swimming on or about June 1, 2015.
- G. <u>Time of Selection</u>. The official "Time of Selection" will be April 24 and 26, 2015 upon completion of the Qualifying Competition.
- H. <u>Pan Am Games</u>. The "Pan Am Games" means the 2015 Pan American Games.

I. <u>World University Games</u>. The "World University Games" means the 2015 World University Games.

I. Additional Requirements upon Selection.

- A. To ensure that USA Swimming selects the best possible team for the most important FINA event of the year (the Championships) and which is the 2016 Olympic Games Qualifier, a swimmer who has qualified-to swim in the Championships in the 10K event, as described in Section II.B.1 below, and who has accepted the invitation to swim in the Championships must swim in the 10K event at the Championships and may <u>not</u> swim at the Pan Am Games (pool and open water competitions), and likewise may not swim at the World University Games (pool and open water competitions).
 - 1. Anyone who has qualified for the Team in the 5K event (as described in Section II.B.2 below) but <u>not</u> in the 10K event at the Championships, and who has accepted the invitation to swim in the Championships, must compete at the Championships in the 5K. Such a swimmer may compete in the World University Games (Pool or Open Water) or the Pan American Games (Open Water only), provided that he or she (i) duly qualifies for the World University Games or the Pan American Games under the applicable selection procedures, and (ii) competes at the Championships. Because the World University Games and the Pan American Games will be held at approximately the same time, a swimmer may not compete in both of these competitions.
 - 2. Additionally, anyone who has qualified for the Team in the 25K event only (as described in Section II.B.1 below) and <u>not</u> in the 10K event or the 5K event at the Championships, may choose to compete in the Championships in the 25K. Such a swimmer may also compete in the World University Games (Pool or Open Water) or the Pan American Games (Open Water only), provided the he or she duly qualifies for the World University Games or the Pan American Games under the applicable selection procedures. Because the World University Games and the Pan American Games will be held at approximately the same time, a swimmer may not compete in both of these competitions.
- B. All swimmers selected to the Team must comply with all applicable rules and requirements of FINA, WADA, USADA, and USA Swimming. This includes, without limitation, a requirement that each swimmer selected to the Team shall sign and abide by the terms and conditions set forth in the USA Swimming Competition Forms (See Attachment A) and conform to all USA Swimming policies and protocols, including without limitation those policies and protocols dealing with Team preparation and participation.

II. Initial Team Selection- Making and Filling the Team.

- A. <u>Team Size</u>. The maximum allowable Team size is six (6) men and six (6) women. The actual Team size will be determined once the Selection Procedures set forth below have been implemented. If, for any reason, the Team size based on the Selection Procedures is less than six (6) men or six (6) women, no additional swimmers will be added to the Team, and USA Swimming will be under no obligation to take a full Team to the Championships. For purposes of these Selection Procedures, the men's and women's components of the Team will be considered separately, unless otherwise stated.
- B. <u>Performance Criteria for Team Selection</u>. FINA rules allow up to two (2) competitors per country in each event. The Team will be selected from the Available Swimmers from the following events at the Qualifying Competition (please note that anyone who qualifies to compete in an event pursuant to this Section II.B will be added to the Team,):
 - 1. <u>10K Qualifying Competition.</u> The 10K event at the Qualifying Competition will select the following Available Swimmers for the following events at the Championships:
 - a. <u>First Place Finisher.</u> The best finishing Available Swimmer in the 10K event at the Qualifying Competition will be selected to the Team and to compete in the 10K at the Championships. He/she will also have the option of competing in the 5K and 25K at the Championships.
 - b. <u>Second Place Finisher.</u> The second best finishing Available Swimmer in the 10K event at the Qualifying Competition will be selected to the Team and to compete in the 10K at the Championships. Should a position remain available after the 5K Qualifying Competition is completed, he/she will also have the option of competing in the 5K (if a spot remains available after selection in II.B.1.a & II.B.2) and the 25K (if a spot remains available after selection in II.B.1.c).
 - c. Third Place Finisher. The third best finishing Available Swimmer in the 10K event at the Qualifying Competition will be selected to the Team and to compete in the 25K at the Championships and will have the option of swimming the 5K at the Championships if the event remains available after selection in II.B.1.a-b & II.B.2. The Third Place Finisher will also serve as the alternate in the 10K event at the Championships if either the First Place Finisher or the Second Place Finisher are unable to compete.
 - d. <u>Fourth Place Finisher.</u> The fourth best finishing Available Swimmer in the 10K event at the Qualifying Competition

- will be selected to the Team only if a spot remains available in the 5K event (after selection pursuant to Sections II.B.1.a-c & II.B.2) and/or in the 25K event (after selection pursuant to Sections II.B.1.a-c).
- e. Remaining Finishers. In the event that there are not two Available Swimmers placed in the 5K, 10K and 25K at the Championships after applying the procedures set forth above, the next best finishing Available Swimmer(s) in the 10K event from the Qualifying Competition will be added to the Team until those spots are filled.
- 2. **5K Qualifying Competition.** The 5K event at the Qualifying Competition will select the following Available Swimmers to the 5K event at the Championships:
 - a. <u>First Place Finisher.</u> The best finishing Available Swimmer in the 5K event at the Qualifying Competition will be selected to compete in the 5K at the Championships.
 - b. If the First Place Finisher declines the 5K event at the Championships or has already qualified via Section II.B.1.a, the event will be filled by swimmers from the 10K Qualifying Competition as listed above in Section II.B.1. until the position is filled.
- C. <u>Limit on Eligibility</u>: Notwithstanding the priorities set forth above, under no circumstance will swimmers be eligible for selection if, for any qualification priority that is based on a finish in the 10K or 5K event at the Qualifying Competition, the swimmer finishes more than 10 minutes behind the first place finisher in the 10K or 5K event, as the case may be, at the Qualifying Competition.
- D. <u>Team Pursuit</u>: Any Available Swimmer who is selected to the Team will be a candidate to swim the Team Pursuit event. Selection of swimmers for the Team Pursuit will be made by the Head Coach in his/her sole discretion, and whose decision shall not be subject to challenge. In selecting the Team Pursuit, the Head Coach, in consultation with the assistant coach, shall consider all available information, including but not limited to each Team Member's Qualifying Competition performance, Team Pursuit experience, 2015 World Championships performances, personal best performances, 2015 World Championships schedules, individual workload, other recent results and performances, consistency of performances, fatigue, health, fitness levels, training preparation, participation in relay training camps, scientific evaluation, attitude and team chemistry.
- E. <u>Breaking a Tie 10K</u>: In the instance where there is tie between two or more swimmers in the 10K event at the Qualifying Competition, the following methods will be used to break the tie:

- 1. If there is a two-way tie for first place, both Available Swimmers will be considered the top two Available Swimmers from the Qualifying Competition;
- 2. If there is a three-way (or more) tie for first place, or if a tie occurs for any place other than first place, then the Available Swimmer(s) with the best finish(es) at the 2015 USA Swimming Open Water National Championships in the 5K event 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 5K event, then that Available Swimmer will win the tie-breaker:
- 3. If this does not break the tie, the swimmer with the highest world ranking in the 1500 meter freestyle for the men and the 800 meter freestyle for the women based on FINA.org World Rankings from January 1, 2014-April 1, 2015, will be considered the higher finisher and will win the tie-breaker;
- 4. If this does not break the tie, the tie will be broken by random draw.
- F. <u>Breaking a Tie 5K</u>: In the instance where there is tie between two or more swimmers in the 5K event at the Qualifying Competition, the following methods will be used to break the tie:
 - 1. The Available Swimmer with the highest place finish in the 10K at the Qualifying Competition will win the tie-breaker;
 - 2. If this does not break the tie, the swimmer with the highest world ranking in the 1500 meter freestyle for the men, and the 800 meter freestyle for the women, based on FINA.org World Rankings from January 1, 2014 April 1, 2015, will win the tie-breaker;
 - 3. If this does not break the tie, it will be broken by random draw.

III. Vacancies in Team.

A. Adjustments to the Team between Time of Selection and June 15, 2015. If, for any reason, an event position becomes vacant between the Time of Selection and the date USA Swimming submits its entries and visa requirements for the Championships (June 15, 2015, 10:00 am MT), the opportunity to fill the vacancy will be offered to the next Available Swimmer(s) from the Qualifying Competition based on the priorities set forth in Section II.B, until the vacancy is filled; provided, however, that under no circumstances will any swimmers finishing 10 minutes behind the first place finisher at the Qualifying Competition, in each event, be considered for selection to the Team. If this process results in vacancies in other events, (because a swimmer elects to swim in the vacant event and withdraws from another event), then those vacancies will be filled by the same process. Nothing in this section shall have the effect of

- bumping off the Team a swimmer who has already been selected to the Team.
- B. Adjustments to the Team after June 15, 2015. If, for any reason, an event position becomes vacant after June 15, 2015, 10:00 am MT, no additional members will be added to the Team. In the event that USA Swimming is permitted to replace the vacant event position, such position will be chosen based on the highest placed Available Swimmer in the 10K event at the Qualifying Competition from among those swimmers already on the Team who agree to compete in the vacant event.

IV. Removal from the Team.

- A. Dismissal. Any swimmer may be dismissed from the Team at any time if:
 - (i) the swimmer violates any of the applicable WADA, USADA, FINA, USA Swimming or other rules and regulations applicable to the Team or its members, including without limitation applicable Codes of Conduct; or
 - (ii) the National Team Director, in consultation with the Head Coach, the USA Swimming Olympic International Operations Coordinator (OIOC) Chairman and the USA Swimming Athletes' Executive Vice President, determines that the swimmer is unable or unwilling to maintain a training regimen that is necessary for peak performance in the Championships.
 - (iii) Right to a Hearing before Removal or Ineligibility. An athlete who is to be removed from the Team or from eligibility to be selected to the Team pursuant to these provisions has the right to a hearing per the USA Swimming Bylaws (usaswimming.org) or the USOC Bylaws, Section 9, before such removal or declaration of ineligibility.
- B. Anti-Doping Violation. If a swimmer is alleged to have committed an anti-doping rule violation, that swimmer will remain on the Team (or remain eligible to be selected to the Team) until: 1) 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; 2) the swimmer voluntarily accepts a provisional suspension or sanction of ineligibility; or 3) the swimmer voluntarily withdraws from the Team or relinquishes eligibility to be selected to the Team. Confidentiality regarding alleged anti-doping rule violations shall be maintained as provided in the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency Protocol for Olympic Movement Testing.
- C. <u>Injury or Illness</u>. USA Swimming may remove a swimmer who has an injury or an illness, as certified by the approved team physician, that is likely to keep him or her from competing at peak levels in the

Championships. If a swimmer refuses verification of his/her illness or injury by the approved team physician, his/her injury will be assumed to keep him or her from competing at peak levels in the Championships, and he/she may be removed by the decision of the Head Coach and the National Team Director.

V. Withdrawal from the Team.

Any swimmer may withdraw from the Team at any time by submitting a written letter to USA Swimming's Executive Director. If a swimmer withdraws due to injury or illness, that injury or illness must be certified by a USA Swimming Medical Staff member in consultation with USA Swimming (National Team Director, Head Coach and Athlete Advisory Representative), as preventing the swimmer from full participation in and/or preparation for the Championships.

VI. Assembly, Training, and Competition.

Swimmers selected to the Team will be required to participate in assembly, training and Championships. Assembly will take place on July 13, 2015 (which will require leaving the U.S. by no later than July 12, 2015), and the Team will remain together through August 2. Specific dates/locations of mandatory training and Competition are subject to change:

<u>Site</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Event</u>
Various Sites	July 12 or earlier	Travel to Munich
Munich Airport	July 13	Team Assembly
Bled, Slovenia	July 13-21	Training Camp
Kazan, Russia	July 22-24	Training
Kazan, Russia	July 25-August 1	Competition
	August 2	Return home

VII. Publicity/ Distribution of Procedures.

These Procedures, when approved, will be published on the USA Swimming Web site, usaswimming.org.

VIII. <u>International Disclaimer.</u>

- A. <u>International Rules and Regulations</u>. These Selection Procedures are based on the latest information available to USA Swimming and are based on FINA and USA Swimming Rules and Regulations as presently known and understood. Any change in the Selection Procedures caused by a change in FINA or USA Swimming Rules and Regulations or other unforeseen circumstances will be distributed to the affected swimmers immediately.
- B. <u>Priority of Written Procedures</u>. 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 <u>at his or her sole risk</u>. 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 the USA Swimming National Team Director <u>in writing</u>, and the response to such request by USA Swimming must be provided within five business days in writing to the requestor.

ATTACHMENT A

COMPREHENSIVE ACCEPTANCE OF USA SWIMMING AGREEMENTS FOR 2015

As a participant in any and all events, competitions or activities conducted by United States Swimming, Inc. ("USA Swimming"), or in which I am representing USA Swimming, or for which I am selected by USA Swimming to attend at any time during 2015 (collectively, the "Event"), I hereby acknowledge that I have read, accept, agree to, and will comply with and be bound by all terms, conditions, obligations, promises, releases, waivers, consents and all other items contained in the following attached documents as evidenced both by my signature below as well as my signature on each of the following:

- 1. USA Swimming/National Team Honor Code
- 2. USA Swimming/National Team Authorizations, Waiver and Release
- 3. USA Swimming/National Team Protocol

Particinant's Signature:

In addition, I hereby agree that during 2015 I will comply with all rules, regulations, policies, procedures and requirements of USA Swimming, FINA, the United States Olympic Committee ("USOC"), the International Olympic Committee ("IOC"), and any regional event organizer, local organizing committee or other governing body of the Events. I will during 2015 abide by all rules and comply with all procedures pertaining to doping required by United States Anti-Doping Agency, USOC, WADA, FINA, IOC and any local organizing committee.

All USAS National Team, National Youth Team, or "Event" team members will be required to maintain the desired level of conditioning for optimum performance, as determined by USAS. **Signature of Participant:**

BY SIGNING BELOW PARTICIPANT IS AGREEING THAT HE OR SHE HAD READ THIS AGREEMENT AND ALL ATTACHMENTS AND AGREES TO ALL OF THE TERMS

Participant's Name (print):	Date:
Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian—Required	for Minors (under 18):
In consideration of allowing my child or the mi Participant") to participate in the Event, I herek Swimming, its affiliates, and their respective di agents (the "Released Parties"), of and from, a claims, demands, losses, damages, and liabilit to any and all damage and/or injury, of any typparticipation in the Event.	nor for whom I act as a guardian ("Minor by release and hold harmless USA rectors, officers, members, employees and nd do discharge and waive, any and all ies that I may have or sustain with respect
Indemnification by Parent/Guardian	
The undersigned parent(s)/guardian(s) agree on be have read and agree with the terms in this agreem hold harmless the Released Parties from any and a liabilities for indemnities, contribution or otherwise any type, arising from Minor Participant's participat	ent and further agree to indemnify, save and all claims, demands, losses, damages and with respect to any damage and/or injury, of
Parent/Guardian's Signature:	
Relationship:	
Parent/Guardian Name (print):	Date:

HONOR CODE

As a participant in any event, competition or	activity conducted by United States
Swimming, Inc. ("USA Swimming"), or in which	ch I am representing USA Swimming, or for
which I am selected by USA Swimming to att	tend at any time during 2015 (collectively,
the "Event"), I,	, understand and will comply
with the following guidelines as set forth by L	JSA Swimming and the Olympic
International Operations Committee regulation	ons at all times during each Event.

- 1. The possession or use of alcohol, tobacco products or controlled substances by any athlete or staff member participating in the Event 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.
- 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 or other person designated by USA Swimming.
- 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 USA Swimming and its Event participants 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 participants in the Event. Once an organization has negotiated these rights with USA Swimming, the following shall occur:
 - a. In the not-for-profit mode, Event participants 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 or other person designated by USA Swimming.
 - b. In the for-profit mode, USA Swimming will have negotiated a set fee to include all Event participants 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 participants in the Event will be established as needed by the National Team Director other person designated by USA Swimming.

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 USA Swimming.
- 2. USA Swimming shall have the right to establish and use one or more systems to determine if all aspects of the policy have been followed by team and staff members.
- 3. Failure to comply with the Honor Code as set forth in this document 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 at the athlete's expense; 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.

AUTHORIZATIONS, WAIVER AND RELEASE FORM

This Authorizations, Waiver and Release Form applies to any and all events, competitions and activities conducted by U.S. Swimming, Inc. ("USA Swimming"), or in which I am representing USA Swimming, or for which I am selected by USA Swimming to attend at any time during 2015 (collectively, the "Event").

General Acknowledgement & Accept	ance
l,	, hereby acknowledge that all information and
signatures on this form are applicable	e to my participation in the Event.

Oath of Eligibility

I declare that I am eligible and in good standing with regulations set 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, prohibited substances or methods, or other athlete regulation infractions. I agree to sign additional documents to this effect when required to do so by USA Swimming, the USOC, FINA, the IOC 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 I agree that while a participant in this activity, I will keep myself in top physical condition and retain my eligibility status.

I agree to notify USA Swimming immediately upon any change to my eligibility, any disciplinary action, or any change in my physical condition that would result in the declarations and certifications becoming untrue with respect to any Event.

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. I also understand that it is my responsibility to ensure that no prohibited substance enters my system. The FINA Anti-Doping Rules are available online and from USA Swimming. I know that I can 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, WADA, 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 participating in the Event, 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/or FINA, because of my refusal or positive test.

Authorization & Event Promotion

I agree to be filmed and photographed by the official photographer(s) and broadcast partner(s) of USA Swimming under the conditions authorized by USA Swimming. I hereby grant the Event organizers the right to use my name, image, picture, likeness, voice and biographical information before, during and after the period of my participation in these activities to promote and advertise the sport of swimming, the activity in which I participate or the success of the team on which I compete.

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 prior written consent of USA Swimming. I agree not to use medals or photos, portraits or film of myself with the medals, which I may receive for my performance, for the purpose of trade.

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Risk of Serious Injury

I understand and appreciate that my participation in the Event and in the sport of swimming carries a risk of serious injury, including permanent paralysis or death, and a risk of serious illness, which could be caused by water, food or other things in which I might come in contact or ingest. 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 or in connection with my participation in the Event and any USA Swimming activity.

Signature			
	Date:		
Printed Name:			

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.
- 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, USA Swimming issued dress sweats must be worn when receiving an award or during USA Swimming organized press conferences. 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.

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