

SWIMMING AUSTRALIA SELECTION POLICY 2019 FINA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM

1. Definitions and Interpretation

- (a) This Selection Policy is to be read in conjunction with the Selection Guidelines.
- (b) All defined terms in this Selection Policy have the same meaning as in the Selection Guidelines, unless otherwise stated.
- (c) In this Selection Policy, the following words have the corresponding meaning:
 - (i) **FINA Point Score** means the scoring system administered by FINA and available at http://archives.fina.org/H2O/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1373&Itemid=641;
 - (ii) **Individual Olympic Event** means an individual swimming event that will form part of the next Olympic Games.

2. Background

- (a) For the purposes of this Selection Policy:
 - (i) the Team is the Australian Swim Team for the 2019 FINA World Championships;
 - (ii) the Competition is the 2019 FINA World Championships;
 - (iii) the Competition will take place on 21-28 July 2019 in Gwangju, South Korea;
 - (iv) the Tour includes a domestic preparation camp from 25 June-8 July, an international staging camp from 8-16 July and pre-competition training from 16-20 July; and
 - (v) the Qualifying Event is the 2019 Australian Swimming Trials, which will take place on 9-14 June 2019 in Brisbane.
- (b) This Selection Policy details the process and criteria by which Swimming Australia will select athletes to the Team to compete at the Competition.
- (c) Athletes selected to the 2019 World University Games team (the Qualifying Event is the 2019 Australian Championships, which will take place 7-12 April 2019 in Adelaide) are ineligible for selection to the 2019 Worlds Championships Team.

3. Team composition and size

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- (a) When selecting the Team, the Swimming Australia Selection Committee will select the Team in accordance with this Selection Policy and the Selection Guidelines.

- (b) The composition of the Team is to be determined by the Swimming Australia Selection Committee.

4. Athlete Selection Process and Criteria

The requirements to be met by an athlete in order to be considered for selection (**Performance Requirements**) for different events at the Competition are as follows, and are subject at all times to adjustment in accordance with **clause 5** of the Selection Guidelines.

5. Individual Olympic Events

- (a) The first and second placed Athletes who equal or better the Swimming Australia Qualifying Time in the 'A' final of an Individual Olympic Event at the Qualifying Event and who are available to swim in that Individual Olympic Event at the Championships will be eligible for selection for that Individual Olympic Event.
- (b) If only the first placed Athlete equals or betters the Swimming Australia Qualifying Time in the 'A' final of an Individual Olympic Event at the Qualifying Event, only they will be eligible for selection for that Individual Olympic Event.
- (c) If no Athletes equal or better the SAL Qualifying Time in the 'A' final of an Individual Olympic Event at the Qualifying Event, then no Athlete will be selected for that Individual Olympic Event.
- (d) If two or more Athletes tie in the 'A' final of an Individual Olympic Event at the Qualifying Event, and the tie will determine whether one or more of the tied Athletes is eligible for selection, a swim-off will be conducted at the Qualifying Event between the tied athletes at a time to be determined by the National Head Coach.
- (e) If the number of Athletes who achieve a Swimming Australia Qualifying Time at the Qualifying Event exceeds the maximum number of quota places available under the Qualification System, then:
- (i) each Athlete's performance in the Individual Olympic Events will be compared by ranking the performances based on the 2018 FINA World Rankings (two athletes per nation, excluding Australian Athletes). Australian Athletes are excluded to remove performances swam during the season but not at the selection event from the selection process) and the higher ranked Athlete will be given priority for selection; and
- (ii) in the event of a tie for the final position on the Team (where performances in different Individual Qualifying Olympic Events events are ranked equally on the Ranking System), then the 2018 FINA point score(s) will be used to compare each Athlete's performance, and the athlete with the higher scoring performance will be given priority for selection; and

- (iii) In its sole and absolute discretion, Swimming Australia may prioritise relay only swimmers over Athletes who achieve Swimming Australia Qualifying Times in Individual Olympic Events.
- (f) An Athlete selected to the Team may be chosen by the Swimming Australia National Head Coach to be entered in an Individual Olympic Event for which they did not meet the Swimming Australia Qualifying Time, subject to that Athlete having met the FINA qualification times outlined in the Qualification System for the relevant event. Entries decisions by the Swimming Australia National Head Coach:
 - (i) may be made at his/her absolute discretion; and
 - (ii) is not capable of being appealed either under the Swimming Australia Appeal Charter or otherwise.
- (g) Irrespective of this clause 5, Swimming Australia will only select Athletes who, in the opinion of the National Federation, in its absolute discretion is, and will remain, a positive ambassador for the Sport, Swimming Australia and the Competition.

6. Relay Events

- (a) The following relay events are on the swimming program for the Competition: men's and women's 4 x 100m freestyle relay, men's and women's 4 x 200m freestyle relay, men's and women's 4 x 100m medley relay, and the 4 x 100m mixed medley and 4 x 100m mixed freestyle relays (the **Relay Events**).
- (b) Athletes who compete in the 'A' final of the following Individual Olympic Events at the Qualifying Event will be considered for the Relay Events: 100m freestyle, 200m freestyle, 100m backstroke, 100m butterfly, and 100m breaststroke.
- (c) In determining which Athletes will be selected for the Relay Events, Swimming Australia may have regard to any, all or none of the following factors, in its absolute discretion, which may or may not be exercised:
 - (i) the Athlete's past relay performances at domestic and international competitions including past relay skills, such as changeover times and splits;
 - (ii) the Athlete's physical form and fitness; and
 - (iii) the benefit or detriment of the Athlete's membership in the relay with respect to relay dynamics and team performance; or
 - (iv) any other factors the Swimming Australia Selection Committee considers relevant

- (d) Swimming Australia will select Athletes who, in the opinion of the Swimming Australia, in its absolute discretion:
- (i) will be most likely to achieve the highest competitive results at the Competition; and
 - (ii) is, and will remain until the conclusion of the Games, a positive ambassador for the Sport, Swimming Australia and the Competition.

APPENDIX 1
SWIMMING AUSTRALIA QUALIFYING TIMES
2019 FINA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS Qualifying Times

SELECTION EVENTS	MEN	WOMEN
50m Freestyle	21.77	24.59
100m Freestyle	48.31	53.20
200m Freestyle	1:46.28	1:56.34
400m Freestyle	3:46.14	4:06.48
800m Freestyle	7:50.97	8:30.66
1500m Freestyle	14:59.32	16:20.98
100m Backstroke	53.76	59.82
200m Backstroke	1:56.11	2:07.64
100m Breaststroke	59.24	1:06.81
200m Breaststroke	2:08.80	2:23.81
100m Butterfly	51.31	57.64
200m Butterfly	1:55.58	2:07.82
200 IM	1:57.81	2:10.45
400 IM	4:15.69	4:37.14