<u>Update on the selection policies for Junior Pan Pac's and Junior World Open Water</u> Championships:

Q. Why are you updating the selection policies?

A. Due to the ongoing negative impacts of Covid-19, we are keen to offer additional race opportunities.

Q. What has changed?

A. The following race opportunities have been added to the Selection Events:

- Any designated or development long course competition between 01 May and 05
 June
- Australian Age Swimming Championships on 11-18 April
- Australian Swimming Championships on 17-22 May

For those athletes wanting to qualify for Junior World Open Water Championships, then the qualifying period to achieve the 1500 pool time has been extended to 05 June.

Both Team announcements will now be made after 05 June but before Friday 10 June 2022.

Q. I have a birthday between 01 May and 05 June. How does aging up affect the time I need to achieve?

A. For JPP and WJOW, it is age on 31 December 2022 – so this does not affect the selection criteria. So, no change there. For athletes wanting to achieve a NAP time (Intake 1), then it is as follows:

- a) For NZ Champs, NAGS and Australian Age Groups age as on 30 April
- b) For the other selection meets in May and June, it is age on the first day of the relevant swim meet

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