

<p>1. Competition</p>	<p>FINA World Championships Open Water 13th – 29th May 2022 Fukuoka, Japan</p>
<p>2. Initial Release Date</p>	<p>December 2021</p>
<p>3. Selection Events</p>	<p>To be considered for selection, an athlete must either compete at the:</p> <p>NZ Open Water Championships 26th and 27th March 2022 (or at alternative date should the event be postponed due to Covid restrictions)</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Australian Open Water Championships 28th-30th January 2022 (or at alternative date should the event be postponed due to Covid restrictions)</p> <p>AND the athlete must compete in a 1500m race at any designated/approved long course competition between 1st December 2021 and 30th April 2022</p>
<p>4. Eligibility Rules</p>	<p>To be considered for selection, athletes must:</p> <p>4.1 Be a New Zealand citizen who is eligible to represent New Zealand in competition as per FINA General Rule 2 (GR2)</p> <p>4.2 Be a registered and financial member of Swimming NZ</p> <p>4.3 Be and remain in “good standing” with Swimming NZ and always comply with any established code of conduct or athlete agreement of Swimming NZ and otherwise conduct themselves in a way that does not bring their sport or the team into disrepute</p> <p>4.4 Not used or administered any substance which, if it had been detected as being present in the athlete’s body tissue or fluids, would have constituted doping, or used any prohibited method or committed any other doping offence as defined in Swimming NZ’s or FINA’s Anti-Doping Bylaw.</p> <p>4.5 Must be able to comply with SNZ’s policy on Covid-19 Vaccinations.</p>
<p>5. Team Commitments</p>	<p>All selected athletes must:</p> <p>5.1 Comply with the provisions of the Swimming NZ Code of Conduct at all times</p> <p>5.2 Commit to Swimming NZ’s requirements regarding team participation. This includes, but may not be limited to, providing an acceptable Individual Performance Plan (IPP), attendance at a pre-event camp and wearing team uniform as required make themselves available for all team activities designated by Swimming NZ.</p> <p>5.3 not act in such a manner as to bring themselves or Swimming NZ into public disrepute.</p> <p>5.4 be available compete in relay events that, in the opinion of the Swimming NZ team management, do not interfere with individual races.</p>

<p>6. Performance Requirements</p>	<p>6.1 To be considered for selection for an individual event at the 2022 FINA World Open Water Championships, subject to clause 9 below, athletes must:</p> <p>6.1.1 Finish in the top 2 in the 10km event at the 2022 NZ Open Water Championships.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>6.1.2 Finish in the top 6 and be one of the first 2 New Zealand Swimmers in the 10km event at the 2022 Australian Open Water Championships.</p> <p>6.1.3 From the swimmers who achieve the selection criteria in 6.1.1 and 6.1.2 above, consideration of selection will be given to the fastest female and fastest male swimmer in the 1500m Freestyle event achieved at any designated/approved meet between 1st December 2021 and 24th April 2022.</p> <p>6.1.4 Additional factors that will also be considered by the SNZ selectors may include the pace of the OW swim, tactics demonstrated by the swimmer, conditions of the race, overall finishing position of the second placed swimmer in relation to the winner, and if, in the SNZ selector's opinion, the swimmer has the potential to achieve a top 16 finish at the 2022 FINA World Championships.</p>
<p>7. Selection to the Team</p>	<p>7.1 At the sole discretion of Swimming NZ, athletes who qualify for an event on the above basis, on request, may be able to swim in other events where there is an available position.</p>
<p>8. Team Announcements</p>	<p>8.1 The selection of the athletes that have met the eligibility and performance requirements will be announced no later than Friday 6th May 2022.</p>
<p>9. Extenuating Circumstances</p>	<p>9.1 If an athlete is unable to compete at the Selection Events or their performance will be adversely affected due to extenuating circumstances (as set out below), the Swimming NZ Selectors may consider previous performances within the 12 months prior to the Selection Events in a long course event at a competition acceptable to the Swimming NZ Selectors.</p> <p>9.2 Athletes must advise the Swimming NZ Selectors (<i>via the HP Manager amanda@swimming.org.nz</i>) of the extenuating circumstances and reasons, in writing, prior to commencing the individual event. If Swimming NZ is not notified of any extenuating circumstances before the athlete commences their individual race, then the Swimming NZ Selectors have no obligation to rely on such circumstances.</p> <p>9.3 In considering the selection of athletes in accordance with the selection criteria, the Swimming NZ Selectors may, in their sole discretion, give weight to any extenuating circumstances which may include, but are not limited to, the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Injury or illness • Travel delays • Equipment failure

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10. Note	9.1 Swimming NZ may amend these selection criteria at any time, by giving, where practicable, reasonable notice to all athletes eligible for selection.
11. Approved	14/12/2021