

Pan Pacific Championships, Tokyo – Japan. 14th August 2018 (Open Water)

Selection Events	<p>1. 2018 New Zealand Open Water Championships 13th January 2018 and; 2. 2018 Australian Open Water Championships 26th to 28th January 2018</p>
Eligibility	<p>To be considered for selection, a swimmer must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be a New Zealand citizen who is eligible to represent New Zealand in competition as per FINA General Rule 2 (GR2); • Be a registered member of Swimming New Zealand; • 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; • Have indicated their availability via the SNZ database before midnight of first day of the first selection event; • 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 SNZ’s or FINA’s Anti-Doping Bylaw.
Performance Requirements	<p>A maximum of 2 swimmers per event may be selected. To be considered for selection for individual events at the 2018 Pan Pacific Championships (Open Water), athletes are required to:</p> <p align="center">Olympic Distance (10km) Open Water Event – Two-step process:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Compete at the 2018 New Zealand Open Water and finish in the top 5 New Zealand eligible competitors in the Olympic distance (10km) event. 2. Compete at the 2018 Australian Open Water Swimming Championships and finish in the top 6 of all of the Australian and New Zealand eligible competitors in the 10km event. <p>Swimmers may be considered for selection, at the sole discretion of the SNZ Selection Panel, if they finish within 1 minute of the first placed among Australian and New Zealand swimmers at the 10km race at the 2018 Australian Open Water Swimming Championships and are the first or second New Zealand finisher provided that they finished as one of the top 5 New Zealand eligible competitors at the New Zealand Open Water Championships 2018.</p>
Team Commitments	<p>Swimmers are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be available for all team meetings and activities before the event; • wear team uniform as required; • be available for the entire campaign and any pre-meet requirements.
Team Size	<p>Team size will be limited to two males and two females. If the number</p>

	<p>of swimmers meeting the performance criteria exceeds the limit on the team size then placings in the 2018 New Zealand Open Water Championship will be used as the basis for selection.</p>
Team Announcements	<p>The selection of the swimmers that have met the eligibility and performance requirements will be announced no later than one week after the completion of the final Selection Events</p>
Notes	<p>SNZ may amend the selection criteria at any time, by giving reasonable notice to all swimmers eligible for selection.</p> <p>If a swimmer is unable to satisfy SNZ requirements after selection and needs to be withdrawn from the team, SNZ may at their discretion select the next swimmer who has met all the eligibility and performance requirements. SNZ reserve the right to request that any swimmer being considered for selection under the provisions of this clause undertakes a fitness test, the parameters of which will be determined by SNZ</p> <p>Extenuating Circumstances</p> <p>If a swimmer is unable to compete to qualify due to extenuating circumstances (as set out below), the SNZ Selectors may consider previous performances within the 12 months prior to the selection event at a competition acceptable to the SNZ Selectors.</p> <p>Swimmers must advise SNZ of the extenuating circumstances and reasons, in writing, with as much notice as possible before the commencement of the selection event(s). If SNZ is not notified of any extenuating circumstances before the selection event (s) in accordance with these selection criteria, then the SNZ Selectors have no obligation to rely on such circumstances.</p> <p>In considering the selection of athletes in accordance with the selection criteria, the SNZ 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"> (a) Injury or illness; (b) Travel delays; (c) Equipment failure; (d) Bereavement or personal misfortune; and/or (e) Any other factors reasonably considered by the SNZ Selectors to constitute extenuating circumstances. <p>In the event of illness or injury, athletes will be required by the SNZ Selectors to provide a medical certificate and may be required to undergo an examination by a health practitioner/s nominated by SNZ, and to provide that opinion and/or report to the SNZ Selectors including an indication of the current and future performance impact of the condition. Any failure to agree to such a request may result in the SNZ Selectors being unable to consider the injury or illness as an extenuating circumstance.</p> <p>Selection of an athlete, as outlined above, will be subject to confirmation of their satisfactory return to training. This process is to include a fitness test, the parameters of which will be determined by SNZ</p>