

**FINA World Junior Open Water Championships 2018 Eilat (ISR)
7th to 9th September 2018**

Selection Events	NZ Open Water Championships Taupo 13th and 14th January 2018 and Australian Open Water Championships 26th to 29th January 2018
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 (SNZ); • Be and remain in "good standing" with SNZ and always comply with any code of conduct or athlete agreement of SNZ 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 13th January • Be born in 1999 & 2000 for the 10 km • Be born in 2001 & 2002 for the 7.5 km. • 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>Athletes who are 18/19 To be selected for the 10km event athletes need to firstly be the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First eligible swimmer in their age group at the NZ Open 10km race at the NZ Open Championships and • Second eligible swimmer will be selected if within 30 seconds of the first eligible swimmer in the 10km race at the NZ Championships <p>and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ranked in the Top 6 (Australian and NZ Swimmers only) in the 10km race at the Australian Championships in their age group <hr/> <p>Athletes who are 16/17 To be selected for the 7.5k athletes need to firstly be the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First eligible swimmer in their age group at the NZ Open Championships in the 10-km race and • Second eligible swimmer will be selected if within 30 seconds of the first eligible swimmer in their age group at the NZ Championships in the 10km race. <p>and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ranked in the Top 6 (Australian and NZ Swimmers only) in the 7.5km race at the Australian Championships in their age group

Team Size	A maximum of 8 swimmers (2 male and 2 females in each event)
Team Announcement	The selection of the swimmers that have met the eligibility and performance requirements will be announced no later one week later than the selection events (s)
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 that meets FINA requirements for qualifying for the World Short Course Championship 2018 and is acceptable to the SNZ Selectors and the SNZ Head Coach. If previous performances are to be considered, then the fastest qualifying time, irrespective of where it was achieved, shall have priority.</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 this 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, whether able to be controlled or not. <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.</p>

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.

Selection of an athlete, as outlined above, will be subject to confirmation of their satisfactory return to training and fitness test, the parameters of which will be determined by SNZ.

Attendance at the event is user pays.