

# Swimming New Zealand Policy

**Title:** Right to Compete at SNZ Championships



**Number:** 001

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## PURPOSE

To outline policy on who can compete at SNZ Championship meets.

## POLICY

1. A swimmer will only be eligible to compete in a SNZ Championship meet if he/she:
  - a) Is a current member of SNZ; and
  - b) Has first paid his/her membership fees due to his/her Club, Regional Association and SNZ; and
  - c) Has first paid any other fees or costs prescribed by his/her regional association and/or SNZ - including the fee or cost to travel to, be accommodated, and compete in a past or future representative competition; and
  - d) Has supplied their contact details to SNZ as required in Rule 6 of the SNZ Constitution.
2. At all SNZ Championships, all participants must be a financial, registered **Competitive Swimmer** at the time of competition.
3. At all School Championships, financial and registered (at the time of the competition) School Swimmers, Club Swimmers and Competitive Swimmers may compete in all events. They must also meet the requirements of the New Zealand Secondary Schools Sport Council.
4. Any visiting swimmer from another federation competing at a SNZ Championship meet must supply SNZ an approval letter from their home federation confirming their eligibility to compete whilst in New Zealand.

### Visitor swimmer definition:

For SNZ championship events a visitor is defined as:

- A swimmer that competes internationally for a FINA federation other than New Zealand.
- A swimmer that is competing at the competition for a club which belongs to a FINA federation other than New Zealand.

### Relays

- If a visitor competes in a relay of any kind the relay will therefore also be classed as a visitor relay.
5. By definition, a "School Championship" is one where swimmers compete for their school rather than their club. The New Zealand Secondary School Swimming Championships is by definition a "School Championship".
  6. SNZ may allow members with other membership categories to compete in events from time to time.
  7. Approved time (Policy 007) applies to:
    - New Zealand Swimming Championships
    - New Zealand Age Group Swimming Championships
    - New Zealand Short Course Swimming Championships
    - New Zealand Division II Swimming Championships
    - New Zealand Open Water Swimming Championships