



## **SWIMMER AND COACH NOMINATION CRITERIA TOKYO 2020 OLYMPIC GAMES – POOL SWIMMING**

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<b>Tour Dates:</b>	July 10 to August 3, 2020 (TBC)
<b>Competition Dates:</b>	July 25 to August 2, 2020
<b>Location:</b>	<i>Staging:</i> Wakayama, Japan <i>Competition:</i> Tokyo, Japan
<b>Team Size:</b>	Maximum 28 female Swimmers and maximum 28 male Swimmers can be nominated. Maximum of two Swimmers per event per gender Maximum one relay team per event (male, female, mixed)
<b>Team Leader:</b>	Swimming Canada High Performance Director will be the Team Leader
<b>Team Head Coach:</b>	Swimming Canada Senior Coach, Olympic Program will be the Team Head Coach
<b>Team Coaches:</b>	Up to six (6) Coaches will be appointed for nomination. Number is dependent on the accreditation allocation from Canadian Olympic Committee (COC)
<b>Nomination Events:</b>	2020 Canadian Swimming Trials, March 30 – April 5, 2020 18 <sup>th</sup> FINA World Swimming Championships 2019, Gwangju (KOR), July 21 to 28, 2019 Other <a href="#">FINA approved Olympic qualification events</a> : applicable only to Section III. Nomination Criteria, Priority 8.

**Notes:** The Qualification System has been outlined by IOC and FINA for the XXXII Olympiad - Tokyo 2020 Swimming events. Nomination is subject to this [Qualification System](#).

**Type of Allocation of Quota Places:** *The quota place is allocated to the athlete by name in individual events. The quota place is allocated to the National Olympic Committee (NOC) in Relay events.*

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### **I. INTRODUCTION**

The purpose of this document is to set out the criteria that will be used by Swimming Canada to nominate Swimmers and Coaches to the Canadian Olympic Committee (COC) for inclusion in Canada's Tokyo 2020 Olympic Team.

### **II. GENERAL INFORMATION – Swimmers**

Only Swimmers identified by these criteria will be considered for nomination. The following conditions must be satisfied to be eligible for nomination to Canada's Tokyo 2020 Olympic Team:

1. A Swimmer must be able to represent Canada in accordance with the eligibility requirements set out by FINA (GR1, GR2), Swimming Canada (CGR 1.2.1) and the International Olympic Committee (IOC).
2. A Swimmer must hold a Canadian passport as of February 1, 2020 and which expires no earlier than February 9, 2021.
3. Where a Swimmer is a Canadian citizen permanently residing outside of Canada, he / she must be registered directly with Swimming Canada or with a Swimming Canada registered swim club in accordance with Swimming Canada eligibility (CGR 1.2.1).
4. A Swimmer must declare him/herself available for nomination prior to the 2020 Canadian Swimming Trials Nomination Event meet entry deadline (date 2020 tbc), using the form at the following [link](#). Any Swimmer who does not declare him/herself eligible by this deadline may not be considered for nomination to this event.
5. Nominated Swimmers must sign, submit and comply with the COC Athlete Agreement and Tokyo 2020 Eligibility Conditions Form no later than July 1, 2020, both of which will be provided to each nominated Swimmer upon their respective nomination to Canada's Tokyo 2020 Olympic Team.



6. Nominated Swimmers must have signed the 2019-2020 Swimming Canada Athlete Agreement no later than June 1, 2020. Where the Swimmer is under the age of 18 years, the Swimmer's parent or guardian will be required to counter-sign the Agreement. A copy of the Swimming Canada Athlete Agreement will be provided to each nominated Swimmer upon their respective nomination to Canada's Tokyo 2020 Olympic Team.
7. At the conclusion of the 2020 Canadian Swimming Trials nominated Swimmers, including provisional nominations, will be required to attend Post-Trials team meetings (date and location tbc). Details will be communicated prior to the conclusion of the 2020 Canadian Swimming Trials. Swimmers must plan and book flights accordingly. Swimming Canada is not responsible for the cost of flight changes.
8. Nomination does not guarantee selection. Selection is subject to the Canadian Olympic Committee approval. Swimming Canada will submit all nominations to the Canadian Olympic Committee on or before June 22, 2020. After this date, the Canadian Olympic Committee's Team Selection Committee will meet to review and, where appropriate, approve nominations.
9. Nomination and subsequent selection does not guarantee specific event entry. Individual entries and relay team composition will be determined by the Swimming Canada High Performance Director and the Team Head Coach. All nominated Swimmers are eligible for relay selection.
10. Only performances in Olympic Events, as set out in the [Qualification System](#), are eligible for nomination purposes.
11. Only individual event performances in "A" finals of the Nomination Events are eligible for nomination purposes in individual events. The only exceptions shall be: A. "timed final" events, in which case all performances shall be considered for nomination purposes, and B. results considered in Section III, Priority 8.
12. If nomination is declined, the performance of the declining Swimmer will be disregarded for the purpose of these Criteria.
13. Nominated Swimmers must commit to attending Swimming Canada's Olympic Team camp, and/or relay-only activities (details to be determined).

### III. NOMINATION CRITERIA – Swimmers

#### **Priority 1 - Individual Event Nomination 1:**

The results of first and second placed Swimmers in the A final and achieving the Olympic Qualifying Time (OQT 'A') ([appendix A](#)) at the 2020 Canadian Swimming Trials, will be ranked along with the time from the final of the highest ranked Canadian medallist achieving the OQT 'A', at the 18<sup>th</sup> FINA World Swimming Championships 2019. The two highest ranked Swimmers from this list will be nominated.

**NOTE:** In Priority 1, where an 18<sup>th</sup> FINA World Championships 2019 medalist's time ranks within the top two at the 2020 Canadian Swimming Trials, a verification of performance is required in order for the World Championships swim time to be considered eligible for inclusion in the ranking. This verification process will consist of the Swimmer competing in the specific event at the 2020 Canadian Swimming Trials and posting a result in the A Final, which is within 1.0 percent of their 18<sup>th</sup> FINA World Championships 2019 medal winning time. Should the Swimmer not produce a verification performance within 1.0 percent of their 18<sup>th</sup> FINA World Championships 2019 medal winning time, then their 18<sup>th</sup> FINA World Championships 2019 medal winning time will not be considered in the nomination process.

#### **Priority 2 - Individual Event Nomination 2:**

Where places remain after Priority 1 all medalists from the 18<sup>th</sup> FINA World Championships 2019 in an individual Olympic event and meeting the OQT 'A' ([appendix A](#)) and who had submitted an Injury / Illness Request for Consideration of Performance in that specific event will be considered for Discretionary Nomination, as per Section VI of this document.

#### **Introductory notes regarding Relay Nominations**

*Swimming Canada relay teams that place in the top 12 from the preliminary results at the 18<sup>th</sup> FINA World Swimming Championships 2019, will qualify that relay event for the Olympic Games as confirmed by FINA to NOCs/NFs by the published date of August 31, 2019. Once available the 18<sup>th</sup> FINA World Championships 2019 relay event preliminary results will be added to this document as an appendix.*



*Should a Swimming Canada relay team not place in the top 12 from the preliminary results at the 18<sup>th</sup> FINA World Swimming Championships 2019, the Swimming Canada High Performance Director at his sole discretion will determine if a Time Trial in that specific relay event will be swum at the 2020 Canadian Swimming Trials to record a time for FINA World Rankings and provisional consideration in the FINA World Rankings of 31<sup>st</sup> May 2020.*

**Priority 3 – Freestyle Relay Event Nomination 1:**

The top four (4) Swimmers in the 100m and 200m Freestyle events at the 2020 Canadian Swimming Trials, along with the performance of the Swimmer with the highest medal result at the 18<sup>th</sup> FINA World Championships 2019 nominated through Priority 1 will be ranked and the top four (4) swimmers will be nominated. Swimmers nominated as relay only Swimmers must have achieved the Olympic Selection Time (OST ‘B’) ([appendix A](#)) in the event for which they are nominated.

**Priority 4 - Medley Relay Event Nomination 1:**

Where there has not been a Swimmer nominated in the male or female 100m Backstroke, Breaststroke, Butterfly and Freestyle events in Priorities 1 through 3, the Swimming Canada High Performance Director may, at his sole discretion, nominate an additional Swimmer for the appropriate relay. Swimmers nominated as relay only Swimmers must have achieved the OST ‘B’ ([appendix A](#)) in the event for which they are nominated.

**Priority 5 – Freestyle & Medley Relay Event Nomination 2:**

Should it be determined by the Swimming Canada High Performance Director that a relay Time Trial will take place, and after the relay Time Trial has been conducted at 2020 Canadian Swimming Trials, these respective Swimmers will be provisionally nominated should the relay record a time that would have placed in the top 12 times from the preliminary results at the 18<sup>th</sup> FINA World Swimming Championships 2019, Gwangju, KOR. This is a provisional nomination subject to [FINA approval and invitation](#).

**Priority 6 – Freestyle & Medley Relay Event Nomination 3:**

At the end of the 2020 Canadian Swimming Trials the Swimming Canada High Performance Director may at his sole discretion nominate additional Swimmers to the team to enhance the relay events. Swimmers must have achieved the OST ‘B’ ([appendix A](#)) at the 2020 Canadian Swimming Trials.

**Priority 7 – Individual Event Nomination 3:**

Where the maximum team size quota has not been met and no Swimmer has achieved the OQT ‘A’ standard ([appendix A](#)) in an individual event at the 2020 Canadian Swimming Trials, the top ranked Swimmer who has achieved the Swimming Canada Olympic Nomination Time ([appendix A](#)) will be nominated. This is a provisional nomination subject to [FINA approval and invitation](#).

**Priority 8 – Individual Event Nomination 4:**

The Swimming Canada High Performance Director at his sole discretion can nominate eligible Swimmers who have recorded the OQT ‘A’ in any FINA approved Olympic qualification events between March 1st, 2019 and March 30, 2020, into events that have had no nominations, or currently have only one (1) Swimmer nominated with the OQT ‘A’; also taking into account Swimmers already nominated to the team through Priorities 1-7 who would also under Priority 8 have additional nominations to events. Those Swimmers seeking ‘Consideration of Performance’ received under Section VI will also be considered at this Priority. Priority 8 shall not be used to unseat any Swimmer previously nominated through Priorities 1 to 7.

**Any team positions unclaimed after Priorities 1 through 8 are completed shall remain vacant.**

**IV. TIE BREAKING – Swimmers**

1. Where there is a tie in the Swimmer nomination process from performances at the 2020 Canadian Swimming Trials, or with the highest medal result from the 18<sup>th</sup> FINA World Championships 2019, each of the Swimmer’s preliminary swims from the respective competition will be utilized to break the tie. Should a tie exist in the preliminaries a swim-off shall be conducted at a time mutually agreed upon by the Swimmers and their Personal Coaches. If a



swim-off cannot be agreed upon within a timeline determined by the Swimming Canada Selection Committee, the Selection Committee and the Swimming Canada High Performance Director shall then have the full discretion to determine a tie breaking method, which they will apply.

#### **V. ALTERNATES – Swimmers**

1. Swimmers, not already nominated to the team, whose time meets the Olympic Qualifying Time (OQT ‘A’) ([appendix A](#)) but who cannot be nominated due to quota limitations will be considered as an alternate in the specific event(s). Alternates will not be formally announced and are not considered team members. Alternates are subject to all the regulations outlined in this document including Section VII Competitive Readiness.

#### **VI. DISCRETIONARY NOMINATION – Swimmers**

1. In the event that injury, illness, or unforeseen circumstances of a significant nature inhibit a Swimmer’s preparation for the 2020 Canadian Swimming Trials, or prohibit a Swimmer from competing at the 2020 Canadian Swimming Trials, a Swimmer may submit a written *Request for Consideration of Performance*. Any time for pool swims submitted in such a request must have been achieved between March 1, 2019 and March 30, 2020 at a [FINA approved Olympic qualification event](#).
  - a. The deadline for any request consideration for injury, illness, or unforeseen circumstances arising before the 2020 Canadian Swimming Trials under this clause is 24 hours before the start of the 2020 Canadian Swimming Trials and must be submitted directly to the Swimming Canada Selection Committee (c/o Iain McDonald – [imcdonald@swimming.ca](mailto:imcdonald@swimming.ca)). The submission must include:
    - i. A fully completed Request for Consideration of Performance form ([appendix B](#)).
    - ii. A letter from a medical doctor explaining the injury, illness, etc. and expected recovery time.
    - iii. A letter from the Swimmer’s Personal Coach explaining the effect of the injury, illness, etc. on training both leading into the Trials and the training plan post 2020 Canadian Swimming Trials.
  - b. Should injury, illness, or unforeseen circumstances arise during the 2020 Canadian Swimming Trials the deadline to submit any request consideration is 2 hours before the start of the preliminary heats of the event in question. Swimmers in this situation are required to immediately submit a Request for Consideration of Performance form ([appendix B](#)) and be examined by the National Team Physician or his/her designate onsite at the 2020 Canadian Swimming Trials.
2. All requests for Discretionary Nomination received, will only be considered after the conclusion of the 2020 Canadian Swimming Trials.
3. The Swimming Canada High Performance Director will meet with the Swimming Canada Selection Committee to consider requests for consideration of performance. The Swimming Canada High-Performance Director shall have full discretion as to whether or not any Swimmer will be nominated under this Discretionary Nomination section.
4. All decisions of the Swimming Canada High-Performance Director will be final.

#### **VII. COMPETITIVE READINESS - Swimmers**

1. “Competitive readiness” is defined as the ability of the Swimmer to achieve equal or superior performance(s) at the scheduled event, as compared to the performance(s) the Swimmer achieved in qualifying.
2. Swimmers who do not remain competitively ready by reason of lack of fitness, injury, or illness may be removed from the team. Swimmers and their Personal Coach are required to immediately report any injury, illness or change in training that could affect their ability to compete at their highest level at the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games to the Swimming Canada High Performance Director and Team Head Coach in writing via email.
3. The final decision on competitive readiness will be made in concert by the Swimming Canada High Performance Director and the Team Head Coach once nomination is completed. These two individuals will have absolute discretion about what factors they will consider in making the final decision.
4. In the case of injuries or illnesses, the Swimming Canada High Performance Director and the Team Head Coach will consider recommendations made by the National Team Physician in making the final decision.



5. Injured or ill Swimmers may be subject to a proof of readiness test to be determined by the Swimming Canada High Performance Director and the Team Head Coach in consultation with the Swimmer's Personal Coach. This test will consist of a controlled performance such as a competition or observed test or trial. These Swimmers will not travel with the team until this requirement has been satisfied. If it is determined that the Swimmer is not competitively ready once onsite at the event, he or she may be asked to return home immediately.

#### **VIII. REMOVAL OF A SWIMMER FROM TEAM**

1. Swimming Canada may, at any time, disqualify a Swimmer from being considered for nomination to the Canada's Tokyo 2020 Olympic Team or remove a Swimmer after nomination based on current or past behavior of the Swimmer that is inconsistent with Swimming Canada's Code of Conduct. A copy of this document is available upon request.
2. A Swimmer will be removed from being considered for nomination to the Canada's Tokyo 2020 Olympic Team or removed after nomination if he/she is found to be in violation of any anti-doping policy or procedure as outlined by Swimming Canada, World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA), and the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport (CCES).
3. Prior to Team nomination to the COC, Swimming Canada will have final authority over final removal of a Swimmer. Following nomination, any such removals are subject to the approval of the COC Team Selection Committee.

#### **IX. GENERAL INFORMATION – Coaches**

1. To be eligible for nomination a Coach must:
  - a. have been resident in Canada and duly employed as a swimming Coach by a Swimming Canada affiliated organization for 90 days prior to the first day of the Nomination Event;
  - b. be a fully registered Coach and member in good standing with the Canadian Swim Coaches and Teachers Association (CSCTA) and Swimming Canada as of March 15, 2020;
  - c. be a minimum NCCP Senior Coach Level 3 In-training or be a Chartered Professional Coach with the Professional Coaching Department of the Coaching Association of Canada;
  - d. provide a valid Police Record Check (PRC) to Swimming Canada;
  - e. hold a passport that can be used for travel to Japan, for Visa processing within Canada, and which expires no earlier than February 9, 2021;
  - f. declare him/herself available for nomination prior to the 2020 Canadian Swimming Trials meet entry deadline (date tbc) using the form at the following [link](#). Any Coach who does not declare him/herself eligible by this deadline may not be considered for nomination to this event;
  - g. abide by the Canadian Anti-Doping Program (CADP) Agreement and World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Code and have never had a violation of either the CADP Agreement or WADA Code.
2. All Coaches identified by these criteria must become a member in good standing with the Professional Coaching Department of the Coaching Association of Canada as of March 15, 2020 either as a Chartered Professional Coach or as a Registered Coach.
3. All Coaches identified by these criteria must sign the Swimming Canada Team Staff Agreement no later than June 1, 2020. Failure to do so will render the Coach as having officially declined nomination. A copy of the Team Staff Agreement will be provided to each nominated Coach upon their respective nomination to Canada's Tokyo 2020 Olympic Team.
4. Nomination does not guarantee selection. Selection is subject to the Canadian Olympic Committee approval. Swimming Canada will submit all nominations to the Canadian Olympic Committee on or before July 1, 2020. After this date, the Canadian Olympic Committee's Team Selection Committee will review and, where appropriate, approve nominations.



## **X. NOMINATION– Coaches**

1. The Swimming Canada High Performance Director has the authority and sole discretion to appoint up to six (6) Team Coaches for nomination.
2. The number of Coaches nominated is dependent on the number of staff accreditations allocated to Swimming Canada by the Canadian Olympic Committee (COC).

## **XI. AMENDMENTS AND UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES**

### **Unexpected Circumstances**

1. Should the Swimming Canada Selection Committee determine that unexpected or unusual circumstances have arisen during the process of applying these Criteria, the Selection Committee shall have the full and absolute discretion to resolve the matter as it sees fit, taking into account factors and circumstances that it deems relevant.
2. Any such exercise of discretion shall be subject to the Canadian administrative law principles of fairness.

### **Changes to this Document**

3. Swimming Canada reserves the right to make changes to this document, which in its discretion are necessary. No such changes shall be made after the commencement of the 2020 Canadian Swimming Trials unless the changes relate to the Swimming Canada Selection Committee exercising its discretion under the “Unexpected Circumstances” provisions above.
4. Swimming Canada reserves the right to review and modify this Nomination Criteria or decisions related to the nomination process in the case of rule or policy changes from FINA or the IOC that affect the criteria set out in this document.
5. Any changes to this Nomination Criteria shall be communicated directly to all Swimming Canada Carded Swimmers and Coaches, and published to the Swimming Canada website forthwith.

## **XII. APPEALS**

The Swimming Canada “Complaints, Disciplinary Action and Dispute Resolution Policy” and the Swimming Canada “Appeals Policy” govern all decisions made by Swimming Canada, including issues pertaining to nomination. For a copy of these policies please contact Swimming Canada or refer to the following link:

<https://swimming.ca/en/resources/board-governance/board-policies/>

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*These criteria were duly created and approved by the Swimming Canada Selection Committee, which by its terms of reference have been properly delegated to perform this task by the Chief Executive Officer of Swimming Canada.*

**Contact:** For questions or clarification on the contents of this document, please contact Kirsty Hahto, [khahto@swimming.ca](mailto:khahto@swimming.ca)



**APPENDIX A**

**QUALIFICATION TIME STANDARDS**

<b>Male Olympic Qualifying Time OQT 'A'</b>	<b>Swimming Canada Male Olympic Nomination Time</b>	<b>Male Olympic Selection Time OST 'B'</b>	<b>Swimming event</b>	<b>Female Olympic Qualifying Time OQT 'A'</b>	<b>Swimming Canada Female Olympic Nomination Time</b>	<b>Female Olympic Selection Time OST 'B'</b>
22.01	22.12	22.67	50 freestyle	24.77	24.89	25.51
48.57	48.81	50.03	100 freestyle	54.38	54.65	56.01
1:47.02	1:47.56	1:50.23	200 freestyle	1:57.28	1:57.87	2:00.80
3:46.78	3:47.91	3:53.58	400 freestyle	4:07.90	4:09.14	4:15.34
7:54.31	7:56.68	8:08.54	800 freestyle	8:33.36	8:35.93	8:48.76
15:00.99	15:05.49	15:28.02	1500 freestyle	16:32.04	16:37.00	17:01.80
53.85	54.12	55.47	100 backstroke	1:00.25	1:00.55	1:02.06
1:57.50	1:58.09	2:01.03	200 backstroke	2:10.39	2:11.04	2:14.30
59.93	1:00.23	1:01.73	100 breaststroke	1:07.07	1:07.41	1:09.08
2:10.35	2:11.00	2:14.26	200 breaststroke	2:25.52	2:26.25	2:29.89
51.96	52.22	53.32	100 butterfly	57.92	58.21	59.66
1:56.48	1:57.06	1:59.97	200 butterfly	2:08.43	2:09.07	2:12.28
1:59.67	2:00.27	2:03.26	200 Individual Medley	2:12.56	2:13.22	2:16.54
4:15.84	4:17.12	4:21.46	400 Individual Medley	4:38.53	4:39.92	4:46.89



**APPENDIX B**  
REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF PERFORMANCE – Page 1/2

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Submission: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you able to compete at the Trials? (Y or N): \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly describe the injury, illness, or unforeseen circumstance: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please identify the team(s) for which you would like to be considered for selection:

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Event(s) for consideration: \_\_\_\_\_

Did you finish in the top 3 of this event(s) at the 18<sup>th</sup> FINA World Swimming Championships 2019, Gwangju (KOR), July 21 to 28, 2019?  
(Yes or No): \_\_\_\_\_

Event Best Time(s), please also include the date and location where the best time was achieved\*:

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\*Note that for nomination to the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games only times posted between March 1, 2019 and March 30, 2020 at FINA approved qualification events will be considered.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian Signature (if swimmer is under the age of 19 years): \_\_\_\_\_

Once complete, please submit this form along with a letter from your doctor and your coach as outlined in Section VI Discretionary Nominations to Iain McDonald ([imcdonald@swimming.ca](mailto:imcdonald@swimming.ca)).

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Notice of Receipt:

This form was received by Swimming Canada on (date and time): \_\_\_\_\_

Form received by: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_





REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF PERFORMANCE – Page 2/2

In the instance that the injury, illness, or unforeseen circumstance occurs at the Trials the following section must be completed by the Swimming Canada National Team Physician or their designate:

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