



# PARA SWIMMING

# EXPLAINED

Importance of Ranking Para Swimmers Pt. II



The Amended World Rankings are Swimming Canada’s most frequently referenced ranking tool.

## What Are They Good For?

Internationally competitive para swimmers need to be mindful of their ranking for a number of strategic reasons. These reasons include competition qualification standards, team selection tie-breakers, and eligibility for Sport Canada’s Athlete Assistance Programs (AAP or “Carding”). Due to the way the Amended World Rankings (AWR) are filtered, Swimming Canada uses this AWR ranking system regularly for ranking and selection, and for providing a better prediction of a swimmer’s future competitiveness.

## AWR for Performance Selection

**1:** Events not being contested at the event being selected for cannot be used for selection (ie. World Championships events vs. Parapan Am events). AAP eligibility only applies to events included in the next Paralympic Games.



**2:** At international competitions, a country can only enter 3 swimmers/ sport class/ event. The AWR best shows Swimming Canada the competitive pool.



**3:** The AWR must include confirmed performances in time for rankings/ a selection cycle. The AWR are updated and published throughout the year.

### For more information:

WPS World Rankings: <https://www.paralympic.org/swimming/rankings>

Amended World Rankings: <https://www.swimming.ca/en/resources/para-swimming/para-swimming-world-rankings/>

