



## SELECTION CRITERIA

### World Aquatics Open Water Swimming Junior World Championships 2024

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<b>Tour Dates:</b>	<b>TBC</b>
<b>Competition Dates:</b>	September 6-8, 2024
<b>Location:</b>	Alghero (ITA)
<b>Team Size:</b>	Up to a total of 12 athletes: six male / six female
<b>Age Eligibility:</b>	Swimmers born in 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010
<b>Team Leader and Team Head Coach:</b>	The Swimming Canada National Distance and Open Water Coach will assume the role of Team Leader and Team Head Coach
<b>Team Coaches:</b>	One additional Open Water Team Coach will be appointed
<b>Selection Event:</b>	2024 Olympic & Paralympic Trials, Presented by Bell, May 13 <sup>th</sup> -19 <sup>th</sup> , 2024
<b>Swimmer Fee:</b>	\$ 2000

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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 select Swimmers to the World Aquatics Open Water Swimming Junior World Championships Team, subject to the qualification requirements outlined by World Aquatics. In addition, this document sets out the criteria to identify coaches eligible to be appointed to the World Aquatics Open Water Swimming Junior World Championships Team.

#### II. SWIMMER ELIGIBILITY

1. Only Swimmers identified by these criteria will be considered for selection. The following conditions must be satisfied to be eligible for selection to the World Aquatics Open Water Swimming Junior World Championships Team:
  - a. A Swimmer must be able to represent Canada in accordance with the eligibility rules set out by World Aquatics (Part 1 – 3.1.1), and Swimming Canada's Rules (Part 1 – C5.1.1)
  - b. Where a Swimmer is a Canadian citizen permanently residing outside of Canada, they must be registered directly with Swimming Canada or with a Swimming Canada registered swim club prior to the start of the Selection Event in accordance with Swimming Canada eligibility rules (Part 1 – C5.1.1.7 or C5.1.1.8)
  - c. A Swimmer must hold a Canadian passport as of March 15, 2024 which expires no earlier than March 9 2025.
  - d. A Swimmer must declare them self available for selection prior to May 1, 2024 using the Athlete Declaration of Availability [form](#). Any Swimmer who does not declare them self available by this deadline may not be considered for selection to this event.
  - e. Selected Swimmers must sign the current Swimming Canada Athlete Agreement no later than May 30, 2024. Where the Swimmer is under the age of 18 years, the Swimmer's parent or guardian will be



required to counter-sign the Agreement. The Swimming Canada Athlete Agreement will be provided to the Swimmer upon selection.

- f. At the conclusion of the 2024 Olympic & Paralympic Trials, Presented by Bell, selected Swimmers, will be required to attend a post-trials virtual team meeting. Details (time and location) will be communicated after the conclusion of the Selection Event.

### III. SELECTION PROCESS RULES

The following statements outline the rules used in the selection process.

- a. Individual event performances in the 1500m freestyle at the Selection Event are eligible for selection purposes.
- b. The 'Team Event' composition will be determined by the Team Leader in consultation with the Team Coach. All selected Team members are eligible to be entered in the 'Team Event'.
- c. If selection is declined, the performance of the declining Swimmer will be disregarded for the purpose of these Criteria.

### IV. SELECTION CRITERIA – Swimmers

#### Priority 1 – Individual Event Selection 1:

All eligible Swimmers who achieve the Swimming Canada Open Water Swimming Junior World Championships Selection Time (Appendix A) at the Selection Event shall be ranked by gender based on their times. Swimmers will be selected in rank order to a maximum of 2 Swimmers per gender, per age group.

Junior World Age Category	Junior World Event Distance
Age 18-19 at Dec 31, 2024 ( <i>born in 2005 or 2006</i> )	10 km
Age 16-17 at Dec 31, 2024 ( <i>born in 2007 or 2008</i> )	7.5 km
Age 14-15 at Dec 31, 2024 ( <i>born in 2009 or 2010</i> )	5 km

### V. TIE BREAKING – Swimmers

1. Where there is a tie in the 1500m freestyle performances at the Selection Event the tied Swimmers' next fastest 1500m Freestyle LC performance swum between April 19<sup>th</sup> 2023 – May 19<sup>th</sup> 2024, as posted in swimrankings.net, will be ranked and utilized in rank order to break the tie.
2. Should a tie still exist, the Swimming Canada High Performance Director shall determine a tie breaking method, which shall be applied.

### VI. 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 World Aquatics Open Water Swimming Junior World Championships to the Swimming Canada High



Performance Director and the Swimming Canada National Distance and Open Water 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 Swimming Canada National Distance and Open Water Coach once selection 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 Swimming Canada National Distance and Open Water 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 Swimming Canada National Distance and Open Water 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.

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

1. Swimming Canada may, at any time, disqualify a Swimmer from being considered for selection to the Canadian Team, or remove a Swimmer after selection based on current or past behavior of the Swimmer that is inconsistent with Swimming Canada's General Code of Conduct or the Team Athlete Code of Conduct (Swimming Canada Athlete Agreement, Schedule A). These documents are available upon request.
2. A Swimmer will be removed from being considered for selection to the Canadian Team or removed after selection 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).

## **VIII. COACH ELIGIBILITY**

1. To be eligible for appointment 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 Selection Event;
  - b. be a fully registered Coach and member in good standing with the Canadian Swim Coaches Association (CSCA) and Swimming Canada as of April 1, 2024;
  - 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 as of April 1, 2024;
  - d. if a valid Police Record Check (PRC), or a valid Vulnerable Sector Check (VSC), is not on file with Swimming Canada, provide a valid Enhanced Police Information Check (E-PIC) in accordance with Swimming Canada's Safe Sport Screening Policy effective September 2021 upon appointment
  - e. have signed and submitted the UCCMS Consent Form upon appointment;
  - f. have signed and submitted the Swimming Canada Screening Disclosure Form upon appointment;
  - g. have completed all of the following required training programs prior to April 1, 2024:
    - Respect in Sport Activity Leader training or CAC Safe Sport Training module
    - True Sport Clean online training, annually
    - Role of the Athlete Support Personnel online course, annually
    - have signed the CCES Contract to expressly acknowledge they are subject to the anti-doping rules of the Canadian Anti-Doping Program (CADP), current version;



- h. hold a passport that is valid for travel to the host country, and which expires no earlier than March 9, 2025;
  - i. declare them self available for appointment prior to May 1, 2024 using the Coach Declaration of Availability [form](#). Any Coach who does not declare them self eligible by this deadline may not be considered for appointment to this event;
  - j. 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 April 1, 2024 either as a Chartered Professional Coach or as a Registered Coach.
3. All Coaches identified by these criteria must agree to and sign the Swimming Canada Team Staff Agreement upon appointment. Failure to do so will render the Coach as having officially declined appointment. The Team Staff Agreement will be provided to each appointed Team Coach upon their respective appointment to the World Aquatics Open Water Swimming Junior World Championships Team.

#### **IX. APPOINTMENT– Coaches**

1. The Swimming Canada High Performance Director has the authority and sole discretion to appoint one Team Coach.

#### **X. AMENDMENTS AND UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES**

##### **Unforeseen Circumstances**

1. Should the Swimming Canada Selection Committee determine that unforeseen 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.

##### **Amendments to this Document**

2. Swimming Canada reserves the right to make changes to this Selection Criteria, which in its discretion are necessary. No such changes shall be made after the commencement of the 2024 Olympic & Paralympic Trials, Presented by Bell, unless the changes relate to the Swimming Canada Selection Committee exercising its discretion under the “Unexpected Circumstances” provisions above.
3. Swimming Canada reserves the right to review and modify this Selection Criteria or decisions related to the selection process in the case of rule or policy changes from World Aquatics that affect the criteria set out in this document.
4. Any changes to this Selection Criteria shall be communicated directly to all Swimming Canada Carded Swimmers and Coaches, and Swimmers and Coaches who declared themselves eligible for selection, and published to the Swimming Canada website forthwith.

#### **XI. APPEALS**

1. The Swimming Canada “Discipline and Complaints Policy” and the Swimming Canada “Appeals Policy” govern all decisions made by Swimming Canada, including issues pertaining to selection. For a copy of these policies please contact Swimming Canada or refer to the following link:  
<https://www.swimming.ca/en/resources/board-governance/board-policies/>



*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 [hp-programs@swimming.ca](mailto:hp-programs@swimming.ca)

**Appendix A**  
Swimming Canada Open Water Swimming Junior World Championships  
Selection Times

Junior World Age Category	Distance	Gender	Qualifying Standard (1500m freestyle)
Age 18-19 at Dec 31, 2024 (born in 2005 or 2006)	10 km	Male	15.44.86
		Female	17.05.85
Age 16-17 at Dec 31, 2024 (born in 2007 or 2008)	7.5 km	Male	16.04.00
		Female	17.26.00
Age 14-15 at Dec 31, 2024 (born in 2009 or 2010)	5 km	Male	16.23.00
		Female	17.47.00