


Selection Criteria –2012 London Olympics (Open Water)



Competition	2012 Olympics, London – 27th July to 12th August 2012.
Date	1 September 2011
1: Nomination Criteria	<p>Selection for nomination to the NZOC for the Open Water team to London will be a two step process. Swimmers who meet the performance standard specified at step 1, will be selected to progress to step 2 where their performance at that event will determine nomination to the NZOC in accordance with this criteria.</p> <p>To be selected by the NZOC for the London Olympic Games, swimmers will be expected to meet the following NZOC requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Overriding objective – The NZOC selectors must be satisfied that the athlete has the capability to achieve a top 16 placing in their Event at the Games. Athletes must demonstrate evidence of this through world rankings and credible results at top international competitions. (ii) IOC/IF Requirements – athletes must have also met the standards specified by FINA in relation to the London Olympic Games
2: Nomination Events	<p>Step 1 - New Zealand Open Water Championship, Taupo January 14-15, 2012</p> <p>Step 2 - Olympic Marathon Swim Qualifier, Setubal Portugal June 9-10, 2012</p>
3: Eligibility	<p>To be considered for nomination to the NZOC for the 2012 London Olympics, a swimmer must meet all of the following eligibility criteria:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A New Zealand citizen who is eligible to represent New Zealand in the Games of the XXX Olympiad as per FINA General Rule 2 (GR2) 2. A registered member of Swimming New Zealand in good financial standing 3. Have signed a Swimming New Zealand Athlete Agreement 4. Have fully completed and signed the NZOC Athlete Agreement and returned this to SNZ prior to nomination date 5. Be available to fulfil the Team Commitments as outlined below if nominated or selected 6. Complies with the FINA qualification procedure Swimming – Games of the XXX Olympiad in all respects. http://www.fina.org/H2O/docs/events/london2012/ow/ow_qual.pdf
4: Team Commitments	<p>All swimmers nominated will:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Comply with the provisions of the SNZ Athletes' Agreement and the NZOC Athletes Agreement at all times. 2. Implement their IPP that has been agreed with SNZ. 3. Train and keep themselves in the best possible mental and physical condition to enable them to compete at the London Olympic Games, to the highest possible standard, and make themselves available for all team activities designated by SNZ.

<p>5: Performance Requirement</p>	<p>Criteria for nomination for Olympic Distance (10km) Open Water Event for London Olympics 2012.</p> <p>Step 1 A maximum of 2 male and 2 female New Zealand eligible swimmers will be selected to progress to Step 2 of the Olympic Games nomination process if they meet the following performance requirement :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be the 1st or 2nd NZ eligible swimmer in the 10k event at the New Zealand Open Water Championships, Taupo 14th -15th January 2012 <p>Step 2 A maximum of one (1) male and one (1) female swimmer will be nominated to the NZOC for selection to swim in the 10km Open Water Event at the London Olympics, if they meet the following performance requirement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finish in the top 9 Male or top 9 Female swimmers in the 10k event at the FINA Olympic Qualifying event in Setubal, Portugal June 9-10, 2012 and be the first New Zealand finisher of their gender.
<p>6: Team Size/Announcement</p>	<p>A maximum of two males and two females will be selected to attend the Olympic Marathon Swim Qualifier, Setubal, Portugal, June 9-10 2012.</p> <p>A maximum of one male and one female will be nominated to the NZOC for selection for the London Olympic Games 2012.</p> <p>All team announcements will released to the media from , and authrosied by the NZOC, in full consultation with SNZ. The team will be announced by 15 June 2012.</p>
<p>Notes</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Swimming New Zealand may amend these selection criteria at any time with approval from NZOC by giving reasonable notice to all swimmers eligible for nomination 2. If a swimmer is unable to satisfy SNZ requirements after nomination or selection and needs to withdraw from the team, then the SNZ Selectors may at their discretion nominate the next swimmer who has met all the eligibility and performance requirements. This nomination is subject to selection by NZOC and approval by FINA. The SNZ Selectors reserve the right to request that any swimmer being considered for nomination under the provisions of this clause, undertakes a fitness test, the parameters of which will be determined by the selectors at their sole discretion. 3. Attendance at the FINA Olympic Marathon Swim Qualifier 2012, Setubal, Portugal is on a user pays basis, however if a swimmer gains selection to represent New Zealand at the Olympics via this competition, then SNZ will reimburse the costs of attendance at that event up to an amount determined by SNZ in line with available budget. Swimmers should discuss their travel plans and confirm funding available before embarking on travel.
<p>Approved / Designation / Date</p>	 <p>Mike Byrne Chief Executive 24 November 2011</p>