

## Selection Criteria - 2012 Olympics London (Pool Events)

<b>Competition</b>	<b>2012 Olympics, London – 27<sup>th</sup> July to 12<sup>th</sup> August 2012.</b>
<b>Date</b>	1 December 2011
<b>1; Nomination Criteria</b>	<p>Swimmers will qualify for <b>nomination</b> to the NZOC for selection for the London Olympics if they meet the performance requirements specified in this criteria at one of the FINA sanctioned events nominated by SNZ, between 1<sup>st</sup> July 2011 and 30<sup>th</sup> March 2012.</p> <p>To be <b>selected</b> 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"> <li>(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.</li> <li>(ii) IOC/IF Requirements – athletes must have also met the standards specified by FINA in relation to the London Olympic Games.</li> </ul>
<b>2; Qualifying Period</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> July 2011 to 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2012
<b>3; Qualifying Events</b>	<p>Qualifying standards may be achieved at the following FINA sanctioned events:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 14<sup>th</sup> FINA World Swimming Championships, Shanghai, China – 24<sup>th</sup> July to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2011.</li> <li>2. Universiade, Shenzhen 2011, 14<sup>th</sup> August to 19<sup>th</sup> August 2011.</li> <li>3. Australian Long Course Swimming Championships, 15<sup>th</sup> March to 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2012.</li> <li>4. New Zealand Long Course Swimming Championships, 25<sup>th</sup> March to 30<sup>th</sup> March 2012.</li> <li>5. A Swimmer may make a request to swim at another FINA sanctioned Olympic qualifying event between 1<sup>st</sup> July 2011 and 25<sup>th</sup> March 2012. This request must be made prior to the event commencing and will be considered at the sole discretion of the SNZ selectors.</li> </ol>
<b>4; Eligibility</b>	<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"> <li>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).</li> <li>2. A registered member of Swimming New Zealand in good financial standing.</li> <li>3. Have signed a Swimming New Zealand Athlete Agreement.</li> <li>4. Have fully completed and signed the NZOC Athlete Agreement and returned this to SNZ prior to nomination date.</li> </ol>

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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5. Be available to fulfil the Team Commitments as outlined below if nominated or selected.</li> <li>6. Complies with the <a href="#">FINA qualification procedure</a> Swimming – Games of the XXX Olympiad in all respects.</li> <li>7. All swimmers must compete at the New Zealand Long Course Swimming Championships, 25<sup>th</sup> March to 30<sup>th</sup> March 2012. In the case of swimmers who have swum qualifying times at a prior qualifying event, they must swim those events at the New Zealand Long Course Championships.</li> </ol>
<p><b>5; Team Commitments</b></p>	<p>All swimmers nominated will:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Comply with the provisions of the SNZ Athletes’ Agreement and the NZOC Athletes Agreement at all times.</li> <li>2. Implement their IPP that has been agreed with SNZ.</li> <li>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.</li> </ol>
<p><b>6; Performance Requirements</b></p>	<p><b>Criteria for nomination for individual events:</b></p> <p>To be nominated to the NZOC for selection for individual events at the 2012 London Olympics swimmers will:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Achieve an Olympic Qualifying time (as detailed below) at one of the SNZ qualifying events during the qualifying period.</li> <li>2. A maximum of 2 swimmers per event will be considered for nomination. Should more than two swimmers achieve the performance requirement for the same event during the qualifying period, then, the two swimmers who have achieved the fastest times during the qualifying period at one or more of the qualifying events, for that event will be nominated.</li> <li>3. Should two or more swimmers achieve the same qualifying time at one of the qualifying events prior to the New Zealand Long Course Swimming Championships, then each individual swimmer’s best time swam for that event at the New Zealand Long Course Swimming Championships will be used to determine which swimmer will be nominated, even if the best time swam at the New Zealand Long Course Swimming Championships is slower than the best time swam at a prior qualifying event.</li> <li>4. Should two or more swimmers achieve the same qualifying time at the New Zealand Long Course Swimming Championships; the selectors will request that the swimmers take part in a swim off. The winner of the swim off will be nominated, irrespective of the time posted.</li> <li>5. Relay splits and other split times will not be considered for nomination for an individual event, nor for nomination or selection to a relay team.</li> </ol>

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### FINA Olympic Qualifying times :

Male	Individual Long Course Events	Female
22.11	<b>50 Free</b>	25.27
48.82	<b>100 Free</b>	54.57
1:47.82	<b>200 Free</b>	1:58.33
3:48.92	<b>400 Free</b>	4:09.35
15:11.83	<b>1500 Free/800</b>	8:33.84
54.40	<b>100 Back</b>	1:00.82
1:58.48	<b>200 Back</b>	2:10.84
52.36	<b>100 Fly</b>	58.70
1:56.86	<b>200 Fly</b>	2:08.95
1:00.79	<b>100 Breast</b>	1:08.49
2:11.74	<b>200 Breast</b>	2:26.89
2:00.17	<b>200 IM</b>	2:13.36
4:16.46	<b>400 IM</b>	4:41.75

### Nomination for other events:

- At the sole discretion of the SNZ selectors, swimmers who qualify for an Olympic event on the above basis may, on request, if they are the first ranked swimmer in another event (based on a time they have swum at a SNZ sanctioned event) by the conclusion of the qualifying period, be able to swim in other events where there is an available position.

### Criteria for nomination for relay events:

Nomination for relays will be based on:

- A New Zealand team qualifying as a team at the New Zealand Long Course Swimming Championships, 25<sup>th</sup> March to 30<sup>th</sup> March 2012, with a time equivalent to the 12<sup>th</sup> time or better from the 2011 FINA World Long Course Swimming Championships, Shanghai, China.
- FINA endorsing the team's qualification in July 2012

The individual swimmers who will make up any relay team which competes at the London Olympics will be selected based on;

#### Freestyle

The fastest 4 swimmers in the A Final of the 100m and 200m freestyle events at the 2012 New Zealand Long Course Swimming Championships 25<sup>th</sup> March to 30<sup>th</sup> March 2012; will be a member of the team which attempts to qualify the relay team for nomination for the Olympics at the 2012 New Zealand Long Course Swimming Championships. The team will qualify for nomination by swimming a relay time equivalent to the 12<sup>th</sup> time or better from the 2011 FINA World Long Course Swimming Championships, Shanghai, China.

If the team qualifies for nomination as above, then those members of the team will be nominated to NZOC as being the individuals who comprise the team.


#### Medley

The fastest swimmer in the A final of each stroke 100m event at the 2012 New Zealand Long Course Swimming Championships 25<sup>th</sup> March to 30<sup>th</sup> March 2012, will be a member of the team which attempts to qualify the relay team for nomination for the Olympics at the 2012 New Zealand Long Course Swimming Championships.

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	<p>The team will qualify for nomination by swimming a relay time equivalent to the 12<sup>th</sup> time or better from the 2011 FINA World Long Course Swimming Championships, Shanghai, China.</p> <p>If the team qualifies for nomination as above, then those members of the team will be nominated to NZOC as being the individuals who comprise the team.</p> <p><u>General</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The swimmers selected to attempt to qualify the relay teams as specified above, will swim as a New Zealand selection in the respective relay event at the 2012 New Zealand Long Course Swimming Championships.</li> <li>2. SNZ may consider (in its absolute discretion) the nomination of a fifth swimmer to the relay team where the time for that fifth swimmer swam in his/ her individual event at the 2012 New Zealand Long Course Swimming Championships could be interchanged with the time of a member of the New Zealand selected team which swam in the relay event at the 2012 New Zealand Long Course Championships to produce a total team time which is equivalent to or better than the 12<sup>th</sup> placed time at the 2011 FINA World Long Course Swimming Championships, Shanghai, China.</li> <li>3. SNZ philosophy is to ensure the best possible relay team is on the blocks representing NZ at the Olympics. Selection by the NZOC for the relay team is no guarantee of swimming in the relay event at the Olympics, as the final composition of the team will be determined by the coaching staff at the Olympics and may include swimmers selected for individual events who are not selected for the relay team but whose performance at the Olympics warrants inclusion within the team. The selectors may require all available swimmers to demonstrate their fitness either through an individual event or time trial at the Olympics.</li> <li>4. As well as meeting the above team requirements, in order for a team to be nominated, all individual relay swimmers must have achieved the FINA Olympic Invitational time as specified on the FINA website during the appropriate individual event at the NZ Long Course Championships, 25<sup>th</sup> March to 30<sup>th</sup> March 2012.</li> </ol>
<p><b>7; Team Size/ Announcement</b></p>	<p>Team size for individual events will be in accordance with the FINA rules.</p> <p>All team announcements will be released to the media from, and authorised by, the NZOC, in full consultation with SNZ. The team will be announced by 1<sup>st</sup> April 2012.</p>
<p><b>8; Notes</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Swimming New Zealand may amend these selection criteria at any time with the approval of the NZOC by giving reasonable notice to all swimmers eligible for nomination.</li> <li>2. Whilst swimmers may meet the qualifying standard prior to the NZ Long Course Championships, the NZ Long Course Championships still provide the selectors with an important checkpoint as to a swimmers fitness and suitability to be nominated to the NZOC for the Olympics. In the event that a swimmer, who has previously qualified, underperforms in the opinion of the selectors at the NZ Long Course Championships, then the selectors may at their sole discretion choose not to nominate that swimmer to the NZOC for selection.</li> </ol>

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	<p>3. If a swimmer is unable to satisfy SNZ requirements after nomination or selection and needs to withdraw from the team 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 the 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.</p> <p>4. Attendance at the Universiade, Shenzhen 2011, Australian Long Course Championships, NZ Long Course Championships and any other FINA sanctioned Olympic qualifying event is on a user pays basis, however, if a swimmer gains selection to represent New Zealand at the Olympics via one of these competitions, 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>
<p><b>Approved / Designation / Date</b></p>	 <p>Mike Byrne Chief Executive 1 December 2011</p>