

<p><b>1. Competition</b></p>	<p><b>SNZ USA Tour 2023</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– TYR Pro Series Mission Viejo, CA, 17-20 May 2023 and</li> <li>– Speedo Grand Challenge, Irvine CA, 27-28 May 2023</li> </ul>
<p><b>2. Initial Release Date</b></p>	<p>January 2023</p>
<p><b>3. Selection Events</b></p>	<p><b>3.1</b> Long course events taking place under World Aquatics (previously FINA) Rules between 1<sup>st</sup> November 2022 and 5th April 2023 (inclusive)</p>
<p><b>4. Eligibility Rules</b></p>	<p><b>To be considered for selection, athletes must:</b></p> <p><b>4.1</b> Be a New Zealand citizen who is eligible to represent New Zealand in competition as per World Aquatics (previously FINA) General Rule 2 (GR2)</p> <p><b>4.2</b> Be a registered and financial member of Swimming NZ</p> <p><b>4.3</b> Be and remain in “good standing” with Swimming NZ and always comply with any established code of conduct or athlete agreement of Swimming NZ and otherwise conduct themselves in a way that does not bring their sport or the team into disrepute</p> <p><b>4.4</b> Not used or administered any substance which, if it had been detected as being present in the athlete’s body tissue or fluids, would have constituted doping, or used any prohibited method or committed any other doping offence as defined in Swimming NZ’s or World Aquatics (previously FINA) Anti-Doping Bylaw.</p> <p><b>4.5</b> Must be able to comply with SNZ’s policy on Covid-19 Vaccinations.</p> <p><b>4.6 Athletes must be born in 2004 or earlier for males and 2005 or earlier for females.</b></p>
<p><b>5. Team Commitments</b></p>	<p>All selected athletes must:</p> <p><b>5.1</b> Always comply with the provisions of the <a href="#">Swimming NZ Code of Conduct</a></p> <p><b>5.2</b> Commit to Swimming NZ’s requirements regarding team participation. This includes, but may not be limited to, providing an acceptable Individual Performance Plan (IPP), attendance at a pre-event camp and wearing team uniform as required make themselves available for all team activities designated by Swimming NZ.</p> <p><b>5.3</b> not act in such a manner as to bring themselves or Swimming NZ into public disrepute.</p>
<p><b>6. Performance Requirements</b></p>	<p>To be considered for selection to the <b>SNZ USA Tour 2023</b>, athletes must record a long course time equal to or better than the times detailed in Table 1 in the relevant Individual Swimming Event at a Selection Event(s), within the qualification period in 3.0, and subject to Clause 8 below.</p>

**Table 1 – Performance Standards (LC)**

Female	Event	Male
25.92	50m Free	22.89
56.15	100m Free	50.21
2:02.81	200m Free	1:50.81
4:19.34	400m Free	3:56.14
8:56.03	800m Free	8:09.67
17:04.20	1500m Free	15:36.30
29.21	50m Back	26.04
1:02.71	100m Back	55.92
2:15.67	200m Back	2:02.20
32.11	50m Breast	28.29
1:09.71	100m Breast	1:01.84
2:31.02	200m Breast	2:14.88
27.24	50m Fly	24.35
1:00.37	100m Fly	53.78
2:13.73	200m Fly	2:00.79
2:17.63	200 IM	2:03.71
4:52.97	400 IM	4:26.49

#### **6.1 Selection to the Team:**

**6.1.1** At the conclusion of the qualifying period in 3.0, each eligible athlete who achieve a qualifying time as per Table 1 at a selection event and complies with all Eligibility Rules outlined in 4.0, will be considered for selection.

**6.1.2** A maximum of 3 athletes per individual event shall be considered for selection

**6.1.3** The maximum team size will be no more than 25 athletes.

**6.1.4** Should more swimmers achieve the performance standards in Table 1 than spots available, the swimmers shall be ranked in the following order:

6.1.4.1 Swimmers achieving the performance standard in an Olympic Event will be ranked above those achieving the standard in non-Olympic Events.

6.1.4.2 Swimmers achieving the fastest times by percentage compared to the performance standards in Table 1, shall be selected.

6.1.4.3 If there are still more Swimmers eligible after applying this further criteria than spots available, the Selectors shall consider the following Specific Selection Factors to determine which Swimmer(s) will be selected:

- i. any other performances or results in competitions / events in addition to the Selection Event(s).
- ii. The potential of an Athlete for the Paris 2024 or LA 2028 Olympic Games.
- iii. adequate fitness and a commitment to maintain a fitness and training programme as agreed with the applicable coach(es).
- iv. demonstrated good behavior, including a commitment to training and attendance at training camps.
- v. demonstrated compatibility with others in a team environment.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>vi. demonstrated compliance with the rules of events and competitions.</li> <li>vii. understanding and respect for the obligations that accompany being a member of a New Zealand team when competing at the Competitions, including respect for team members and support staff.</li> <li>viii. willingness to promote Swimming New Zealand in a positive manner.</li> <li>ix. demonstrated ability to take personal responsibility for self and their results.</li> <li>x. proven ability to be reliable; and</li> <li>xi. any other factor(s) the Selectors consider relevant.</li> </ul> <p><b>6.1.5</b> Should the first, second or third ranked swimmers not accept their selection, then the next eligible athletes shall be considered for selection, until there are no more eligible athletes.</p> <p><b>6.1.6</b> At the sole discretion of the Olympic Programme Leader, if there are places available after the selection process has been completed, athletes may be added to the team if they meet all the specific selection factors listed from points 6.1.4.3 and show the potential of an Athlete for the 2028 Los Angeles Olympic Games.</p> <p><b>6.1.7</b> Relay splits and other split times will not be considered for selection for individual or relay events.</p> <p><b>6.1.8 Additional Events</b></p> <p>6.1.8.1 At the sole discretion of Swimming NZ, athletes who qualify for an event on the above basis, on request, may be able to swim in other events where there is an available position.</p> <p><b>6.1.9 Relay selection and final team composition</b></p> <p>6.1.9.1 Relay selection shall be done from the within the final team of individual swimmers selected.</p> <p>6.1.9.2 Swimming NZ's philosophy is to ensure that the best possible relay team is on the blocks representing New Zealand at the competitions. The final composition of the team will be determined by the staff and all athletes must be ready to swim relays at the competition</p>
<p><b>7. Team Announcements</b></p>	<p>The selection of the athletes that have met the eligibility and performance requirements will be announced no later than one week after the completion of the qualifying period.</p>
<p><b>8. Extenuating Circumstances</b></p>	<p>8.1 If an athlete is unable to compete at the Selection Events due to extenuating circumstances (as set out below), the Swimming NZ Selectors may consider previous performances within the 12 months prior to the Selection Events in at a competition acceptable to the Swimming NZ Selectors.</p> <p>8.2 Athletes must advise the Swimming NZ Selectors (<i>via the HP Manager <a href="mailto:amanda@swimming.org.nz">amanda@swimming.org.nz</a></i>) of the extenuating circumstances and reasons, in writing, prior to commencing the individual event. If Swimming NZ is not notified of any extenuating circumstances before the athlete commences their individual race, then the Swimming NZ Selectors have no obligation to rely on such circumstances.</p>

	<p>8.3 In considering the selection of athletes in accordance with the selection criteria, the Swimming NZ Selectors may, in their sole discretion, give weight to any extenuating circumstances which may include, but are not limited to, the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Injury or illness</li> <li>– Travel delays</li> <li>– Equipment failure</li> <li>– Bereavement or personal misfortune</li> <li>– Covid-19 Pool Closures</li> <li>– Any other factors reasonably considered by the Swimming NZ Selectors to constitute extenuating circumstances.</li> </ul> <p>8.4 In the event of illness or injury, athletes will be required by the SNZ Selectors to provide a medical certificate and may be required to undergo an examination by a health practitioner/s nominated by Swimming NZ, and to provide that opinion and/or report to the Swimming NZ Selectors including an indication of the current and future performance impact of the condition. Any failure to agree to such a request may result in the Swimming NZ Selectors being unable to consider the injury or illness as an extenuating circumstance.</p> <p>8.5 Selection of any athletes, as outlined above, will be subject to confirmation of their satisfactory return to training. This process is to include a test in the swimming event that they have been selected for. The test must be performed by a designated date decided by the Swimming NZ Olympic Program Manager. A target time indicating satisfactory progress will be decided and announced to the athlete before the designated date</p>
<b>9 Note</b>	Swimming NZ may amend these selection criteria at any time, by giving, where practicable, reasonable notice to all athletes eligible for selection.
<b>10 Approved</b>	Swimming NZ
<b>11 Date</b>	January 2023