2017 FINA World Championships – Budapest, Hungary (23 <sup>rd</sup> - 30 <sup>th</sup> July 2017)				
Selection Events	<b>Pool:</b> 2017 New Zealand Open Championships, Auckland (3 <sup>rd</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> April, 2017)			
	<b>Open Water:</b> 2017 New Zealand Open Water Championships, Taupo (14 <sup>th</sup> -			
	15 <sup>th</sup> January 2017); and			
	2017 Australian Open Water Championships, Adelaide (27 <sup>th</sup> -29 <sup>th</sup> January,			
	2017)			
Eligibility	To be considered for selection, a swimmer must:			
	Be a New Zealand citizen who is eligible to represent New Zealand			
	in competition as per FINA General Rule 2 (GR2).			
	<ul> <li>Be a registered member of Swimming New Zealand in good financial standing.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Have indicated their availability via the SNZ database before the commencement of the relevant selection event.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Not have 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 SNZ's or FINA's Anti-Doping Bylaw.</li> </ul>			
Performance	Pool Swimmers			
Requirements				

## 1. Individual Events:

To be selected for individual events the athletes are required to record a Long Course FINA A time equal to or better than the times detailed below at the Selection Event

Males		Females
0:22.47	50m Free	0:25.18
0:48.93	100m Free	0:54.90
1:47.73	200m Free	1:58.68
3:48.15	400m Free	4:10.57
7:54.31	800m free	8:38.56
15:12.79	1500m Free	16:32.04
0:25.29	50m Back	0:28.52
0:54.06	100m Back	1:00.61
1:58.55	200m Back	2:11.53
0:27.51	50m Breast	0:31.22
1:00.35	100m Breast	1:07.58
2:11.11	200m Breast	2:25.91
0:23.67	50m Fly	0:26.49
0:52.29	100m Fly	0:58.48
1:57.28	200m Fly	2:09.77
2:00.22	200m IM	2:13.41
4:17.90	400m IM	4:43.06

- 1.1 A maximum of 2 swimmers per event may be considered for selection.
- 1.2 Each qualifying swim at the conclusion of the Selection Event will be ranked and the first and second ranked athletes will be selected.
- 1.3 Where times are equal for the second qualifying space, the athletes second time from the same event at the Selection Event shall be used to determine which athletes has the better overall performance. If there is no second time or the athletes are still ranked equally after considering their second times, selection will be at the discretion of SNZ.
- 1.4 Relay splits and other split times will not be considered for selection for an individual event nor for relay selection.
- 1.5 At the sole discretion of SNZ, athletes, who have qualified in an individual event, may be granted permission upon request to swim in other events if they are the next fastest eligible athlete and met FINA's requirement for entry.

## 2. Relay Events:

- 2.1 athletes that meet the individual performance requirement must be available to swim relay events if called upon.
- 2.2 Relays will be nominated using a composite time from times achieved at the selection event. The composite time will be based upon the fastest combination of four individual times in the Men's and Women's 100 and 200m Freestyle events and across the four 100m events (Backstroke, Breaststroke, Butterfly and Freestyle). These times will be added together and a total allowance of 2.40s seconds will be deducted to allow for relay changeovers. If the time equals or betters the standard below then the relay will be considered in the nomination process.

The athletes who record the fastest combination of times at the selection event will be considered as part of the nomination process.

Male	Relays	Female
3:17.13	4 x 100m Freestyle	3:41.43
3:35.31	4 x 100m Medley	4:05.06
7:13.19	4 x 200m Freestyle	8:00.40

2.3 Selections for the mixed relays at the 2017 FINA World Championships will be made from within the team selected for the 2017 FINA World Championships. 2.4 SNZ philosophy is to ensure the best possible relay teams is on the blocks representing New Zealand. Selection by SNZ for the relay team is no guarantee of swimming in the relay event, as the final composition of the team will be determined by the coaching staff and may include athletes selected for individual events who are not selected for the relay team but whose performance warrants inclusion in the team. The SNZ Selectors may require all available swimmers to demonstrate their fitness either through an individual event or time trial at the World Championships. **Open Water:** 1. Individual Events: Achieve a top 5 placing or within 1 minute of the winner at the 2017 New Zealand Open Water Championships in the 10 km event; and Achieve a top 6 placing (eligible Australian and New Zealand athletes) or within 1 minute of the winner at the 2017 Australian Open and Age Open Water Championships in the 10 km will be selected. • Top 6 placing (eligible Australian and New Zealand athletes) or within 30 seconds of the winner at the 2017 Australian Open and Age Open Water Championships in the 5km will be selected. A maximum of two athletes per event will be considered for selection. 2. Relay Events: 2.1 Athletes need to declare their availability to compete in relay events at the 2017 FINA World Championships prior to the commencement of the Selection Event. 2.2 Selections for the mixed 5km relay at the 2017 FINA World Championships will be made from within the team selected for the 2017 FINA World Championships. **Team Size** A maximum team size of: 52 pool swimmers. (26 males and 26 females); and 8 Open Water swimmers (4 males and 4 females) Team The selection of the swimmers that have met all of the eligibility and Announcement performance requirements will be announced on or about the 7<sup>th</sup> April, 2017.

## **Notes**

If a swimmer is unable to satisfy SNZ requirements after selection and needs to be withdrawn from the team, SNZ may at their discretion select the next swimmer who has met all the eligibility and performance requirements. SNZ reserve the right to request that any swimmer being considered for selection under the provisions of this clause undertakes a fitness test, the parameters of which will be determined by SNZ.

In the event that a swimmer is unable to compete at any of the Selection Event(s) due to extenuating circumstances (as set out below), the SNZ Selectors may consider the previous performances, in a long course event at a competition acceptable to the SNZ Selectors and the SNZ High Performance (HP) Director, during the 12-month period leading up to the first day of the Selection Event(s). If the previous performances are to be considered, then the fastest qualifying time, irrespective of where it was achieved, shall have priority.

In considering the selection of athletes in accordance with the selection criteria, the SNZ Selectors may, in their sole discretion, give weight to any extenuating circumstances which may include, but are not limited to, the following;

- (a) Injury or illness;
- (b) Travel delays;
- (c) Equipment failure;
- (d) Bereavement or personal misfortune; and/or
- (e) Any other factors reasonably considered by the SNZ Selectors to constitute extenuating circumstances.

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 SNZ, and to provide that opinion and/or report to the SNZ 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 SNZ Selectors being unable to consider the injury or illness as an extenuating circumstance.

Selection of an athlete, as outlined above, will be subject to confirmation of their satisfactory return to training. This process is to include a test in the event that they have been selected for. The test must be performed by a designated date decided by the SNZ HP Director. A target time indicating satisfactory progress will be decided by the SNZ HP Director and announced to the swimmer by the designated date.

Athletes unable to compete at the Selection Event(s) or other attendances under this selection criteria must advise SNZ of the extenuating circumstances and reasons, in writing, with such advance notice as possible and ideally seven (7) days before the commencement of the selection event(s). If SNZ is not notified of any extenuating circumstances in accordance with this selection criteria, then the SNZ Selectors have no obligation to rely on such circumstances.

SNZ may amend the selection criteria at any time, by giving reasonable notice to all swimmers eligible for selection. The requirement to give notice does not apply to SNZ exercising its discretion to take into account performances at other events if a swimmers is unable to compete at the Selection Event due to extenuating circumstances.

Attendance at the Selection Events is on a user pays basis.

Criteria amended 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2017