

<b>Competition</b>	<b>2014 Pan Pacific Championships (Open Water), Gold Coast, Australia - 21-25 August 2014</b>
<b>Initial Release Date</b>	3 October 2013

<b>Selection Events</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2014 New Zealand Open Water Championships / 2014 Oceania Championships, Taupo, 11<sup>th</sup> January 2014</li> <li>2014 BHP Billiton Aquatic Super Series / 2014 Australian Open Water Swimming Championships, Perth, 1<sup>st</sup> February 2014</li> </ol>
<b>Eligibility</b>	<p>To be considered for selection, a swimmer must meet all of the following eligibility criteria:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Be a New Zealand citizen who is eligible to represent New Zealand in the Competition as per FINA General Rule 2 (GR2).</li> <li>Be a registered member of Swimming New Zealand in good standing.</li> <li>Have a signed current Swimming New Zealand Athlete Agreement.</li> <li>Compete in the 2014 New Zealand Open Water Championships / 2014 Oceania Open Water Championships and 2014 BHP Billiton Aquatic Super Series / 2014 Australian Open Water Swimming Championships unless granted an exemption under the provisions of the criteria by the SNZ Selectors. This exemption will only be granted due to extenuating circumstances. On request of SNZ, evidence shall be provided of the extenuating circumstances, prior to the exemption being considered.</li> <li>Be available to fulfil the Team Commitments as listed below and any additional commitments following selection.</li> <li>Not used or administered any substance which, if it had been detected as being present in the athletes 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> </ol>
<b>Team Commitments</b>	<p>All swimmers selected must:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Comply with the provisions of the SNZ Athletes Agreement at all times.</li> </ol>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Conform to SNZ requirements regarding team participation. This includes, but may not be limited to, providing an acceptable IPP, attendance at a pre-event camp and wearing team uniform as required.</li> <li>3. Make themselves available for all team activities designated by SNZ.</li> <li>4. Not act in such a manner as to bring the athlete or SNZ into public disrepute.</li> </ol>
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<b>Performance Requirement</b>	<p><b>Criteria for selection for 2014 Pan Pacific Championships (Open Water), Gold Coast, Australia for individual events.</b></p> <p>A maximum of 2 swimmers per event may be considered for selection.</p> <p>To be selected for individual events at the 2014 Pan Pacific Championships (Open Water), athletes are required to:</p> <p><b>Olympic Distance (10km) Open Water Event – Two-step process:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Compete at the 2014 New Zealand Open Water Championships / 2014 Oceania Open Water Championships, Taupo, 11<sup>th</sup> January 2014 and finish in the top 5 New Zealand eligible competitors in the Olympic distance (10km) event.</li> <li>2. Compete at the 2014 BHP Billiton Aquatic Super Series / 2014 Australian Open Water Swimming Championships and finish in the top 6 of all of the Australian and New Zealand eligible competitors in the 10km event.</li> </ol> <p>Swimmers may be considered for selection, at the sole discretion of the SNZ High Performance Director, if they finish within 10 seconds of the winner of the 10km race at the 2014 BHP Billiton Aquatic Super Series / 2014 Australian Open Water Swimming Championships and are the first or second New Zealand finisher provided that they finished as one of the top 5 New Zealand eligible competitors at the New Zealand Open Water Championships 2014.</p>
<b>Team Size &amp; Announcement</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Team size for individual events will be in accordance with the Pan Pacific’s Association rules. If the number of swimmers meeting the performance criteria exceeds the Pan Pacific’s limit, the highest ranked swimmers who satisfy the selection criteria will be selected.</li> <li>2. The selection of the athletes that have met all of the Eligibility and Performance Requirements will be announced on or about the 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2014.</li> </ol>

<p><b>Notes</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. SNZ may amend these selection criteria at any time, by giving reasonable notice to all swimmers eligible for selection.</li> <li>2. If a swimmer is unable to satisfy SNZ requirements after selection and needs to withdraw 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 the SNZ High Performance Director at his sole discretion.</li> <li>3. In the event that a swimmer is unable to compete at any of the Selection Events due to extenuating circumstances, SNZ Selectors may consider previous performances in 10km events.  In the event of illness or injury a medical certificate will be requested, indicating the current and future performance impact of the condition.  Selection of an athlete, as outlined above, will be subject to confirmation of their satisfactory return to training. This process to include a test that must be performed by a designated date decided by the SNZ High Performance Director in consultation with the SNZ Open Water Manager. A target time and /or position indicating satisfactory progress will be decided by the SNZ High Performance Director and announced to the swimmer by the designated date.</li> <li>4. Attendance at the Selection Events is on a user pays basis.</li> <li>5. SNZ will reimburse all reasonable costs for competing at the 2014 BHP Billiton Aquatic Super Series / 2014 Australian Open Water Swimming Championships (on receipt of invoices and/or receipts) to those that achieve qualification for the Pan Pacific Championships.</li> <li>6. Participation at the Pan Pacific Championships will be fully funded.</li> </ol>
<p><b>Approved / Designation / Date</b></p>	<p>Swimming New Zealand Board 28<sup>th</sup> September 2013</p>