

**Georgina Hope Foundation Australian Age Championships - Brisbane Aquatic Centre, Brisbane, Queensland
(16th April – 23rd April 2017)**

Selection Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Victorian Age Championships 10th – 15th December 2016 • Queensland Championships 10th – 16th December 2016 • Auckland Age Group Championships 9th – 11th December 2016 • Southland Long Course Championships 15th – 18th December 2016 • Otago/Canterbury West Coast Championships 18th – 21st January 2017 • Wellington Summer Championships 20th – 23rd January 2017 • Central Swimming Championships 25th – 26th February 2017
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Eligibility	<p>To be considered for selection, a swimmer must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be a New Zealand citizen who is eligible to represent New Zealand in competition as per FINA General Rule 2 (GR2) • Be a registered member of Swimming New Zealand in good financial standing • Have indicated their availability on the SNZ Database prior to their relevant selection event. • Be aged 13 – 16 years’ female or 14 – 17 years’ male as at 16th April 2017. • 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.
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Performance Requirements and Team Size	<p>Pool Swimmers</p> <p>1. Individual Events: To be selected for individual events the athletes are required to record a time equal to or better than the times detailed below at the Selection Event(s)</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="4">Female</th> <th rowspan="2">Events</th> <th colspan="4">Male</th> </tr> <tr> <th>13 Years</th> <th>14 Years</th> <th>15 Years</th> <th>16 Years</th> <th>14 Years</th> <th>15 Years</th> <th>16 Years</th> <th>17 Years</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>27.38</td> <td>27.16</td> <td>26.95</td> <td>26.75</td> <td>50 Free</td> <td>25.27</td> <td>24.76</td> <td>24.25</td> <td>23.74</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1:00.00</td> <td>59.22</td> <td>58.51</td> <td>57.81</td> <td>100 Free</td> <td>55.23</td> <td>54.20</td> <td>53.18</td> <td>52.16</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2:10.63</td> <td>2:08.47</td> <td>2:06.60</td> <td>2:04.63</td> <td>200 Free</td> <td>1:59.53</td> <td>1:57.64</td> <td>1:55.76</td> <td>1:53.87</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4:34.94</td> <td>4:30.09</td> <td>4:26.35</td> <td>4:23.06</td> <td>400 Free</td> <td>4:15.10</td> <td>4:12.06</td> <td>4:09.02</td> <td>4:05.97</td> </tr> <tr> <td>9:25.42</td> <td>9:17.97</td> <td>9:10.55</td> <td>9:03.41</td> <td>800 Free/ 1500 Free</td> <td>16:58.85</td> <td>16:43.24</td> <td>16:27.63</td> <td>16:12.02</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1:07.30</td> <td>1:06.62</td> <td>1:05.91</td> <td>1:05.23</td> <td>100 Back</td> <td>1:01.16</td> <td>1:00.37</td> <td>59.59</td> <td>58.80</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2:25.81</td> <td>2:24.78</td> <td>2:23.65</td> <td>2:22.40</td> <td>200 Back</td> <td>2:14.79</td> <td>2:12.56</td> <td>2:10.33</td> <td>2:08.08</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1:16.44</td> <td>1:15.49</td> <td>1:14.60</td> <td>1:13.73</td> <td>100 Breast</td> <td>1:10.08</td> <td>1:08.32</td> <td>1:06.56</td> <td>1:04.78</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2:45.94</td> <td>2:43.79</td> <td>2:41.66</td> <td>2:39.51</td> <td>200 Breast</td> <td>2:32.91</td> <td>2:29.96</td> <td>2:27.01</td> <td>2:24.04</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1:06.01</td> <td>1:04.94</td> <td>1:03.95</td> <td>1:02.96</td> <td>100 Fly</td> <td>1:00.55</td> <td>58.93</td> <td>57.31</td> <td>55.68</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2:26.68</td> <td>2:24.90</td> <td>2:23.19</td> <td>2:21.52</td> <td>200 Fly</td> <td>2:12.97</td> <td>2:10.05</td> <td>2:07.14</td> <td>2:04.23</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2:27.31</td> <td>2:26.22</td> <td>2:25.13</td> <td>2:24.03</td> <td>200 IM</td> <td>2:14.05</td> <td>2:11.99</td> <td>2:09.93</td> <td>2:07.86</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5:11.27</td> <td>5:09.66</td> <td>5:07.95</td> <td>5:06.01</td> <td>400 IM</td> <td>4:48.05</td> <td>4:44.93</td> <td>4:41.81</td> <td>4:38.70</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Female				Events	Male				13 Years	14 Years	15 Years	16 Years	14 Years	15 Years	16 Years	17 Years	27.38	27.16	26.95	26.75	50 Free	25.27	24.76	24.25	23.74	1:00.00	59.22	58.51	57.81	100 Free	55.23	54.20	53.18	52.16	2:10.63	2:08.47	2:06.60	2:04.63	200 Free	1:59.53	1:57.64	1:55.76	1:53.87	4:34.94	4:30.09	4:26.35	4:23.06	400 Free	4:15.10	4:12.06	4:09.02	4:05.97	9:25.42	9:17.97	9:10.55	9:03.41	800 Free/ 1500 Free	16:58.85	16:43.24	16:27.63	16:12.02	1:07.30	1:06.62	1:05.91	1:05.23	100 Back	1:01.16	1:00.37	59.59	58.80	2:25.81	2:24.78	2:23.65	2:22.40	200 Back	2:14.79	2:12.56	2:10.33	2:08.08	1:16.44	1:15.49	1:14.60	1:13.73	100 Breast	1:10.08	1:08.32	1:06.56	1:04.78	2:45.94	2:43.79	2:41.66	2:39.51	200 Breast	2:32.91	2:29.96	2:27.01	2:24.04	1:06.01	1:04.94	1:03.95	1:02.96	100 Fly	1:00.55	58.93	57.31	55.68	2:26.68	2:24.90	2:23.19	2:21.52	200 Fly	2:12.97	2:10.05	2:07.14	2:04.23	2:27.31	2:26.22	2:25.13	2:24.03	200 IM	2:14.05	2:11.99	2:09.93	2:07.86	5:11.27	5:09.66	5:07.95	5:06.01	400 IM	4:48.05	4:44.93	4:41.81	4:38.70
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	<p>1.1 A maximum of 30 swimmers will be selected.</p> <p>1.2 If more than 30 swimmers meet the selection criteria, swimmers will be ranked using their highest 2016 long course FINA points (as of 1st January 2017) score achieved at a selection event to prioritise selection.</p> <p>1.3 Where times are equal for the 30th qualifying space, the athletes second best time from the same event at a selection event will be used to determine which athlete has the better overall performance. If two or more swimmers are still ranked 30th equally after taking into account their second-best time, selection will be at the discretion of SNZ.</p> <p>1.4 Split times will not be considered for selection for an individual event nor for relay selection.</p> <p>1.5 At the sole discretion of SNZ, athletes may be granted permission upon request to swim in other events if they meet the Australian Age Group Championships qualifying standards and meet entry requirements.</p>
Team Announcement	The team will be announced by the 1 st March 2017.
Notes	<p>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.</p> <p>In the event that a swimmer is unable to compete at any of the Selection Events 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 period between 1st January 2017 and the Selection Events. If the previous performances are to be considered, then the fastest qualifying time, irrespective of where it was achieved, shall have priority.</p> <p>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;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. <p>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.</p>

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 Events or other attendances under this selection criteria must advise SNZ of the extenuating circumstances and reasons, in writing, with such advanced 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 swimmer is unable to compete at the Selection Events due to extenuating circumstances.

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