

Selection Criteria – 2015 FINA World Championships (Open Water Events)



Competition	2015 FINA World Championships (Open Water Events) Kazan, Russia. July 26 – August 1, 2015
Initial Release Date	November 20 2014
Selection Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2015 New Zealand Open Water Championships, Taupo, 10 January, 2015 (“NZ OW Champs”) 2. 2015 BHP Billiton Aquatic Super Series, Perth, 30th January to 1st February 2015
Eligibility	<p>To be considered for selection, a swimmer must meet all of the following eligibility criteria:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Be a New Zealand citizen who is eligible to represent New Zealand in the Competition as per FINA General Rule 2 (GR2). 2. Be a registered member of Swimming New Zealand in good standing. 3. Have a signed current Swimming New Zealand Athlete Agreement. 4. Have completed in full and submitted a swimmer availability form prior to the Selection Event(s). 5. Compete in the NZ Open Water Champs 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. 6. Be available to fulfil the Team Commitments as listed below and any additional commitments following selection. 7. 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.
Team Commitments	<p>All swimmers selected must:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Comply with the provisions of the SNZ Athletes Agreement at all times. 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

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	<p>team uniform as required.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Make themselves available for all team activities designated by SNZ. 4. Not act in such a manner as to bring the athlete or SNZ into public disrepute.
<p>Performance Requirement</p>	<p>Criteria for selection for 2015 World Championships (Open Water), Kazan, Russia for individual events.</p> <p>To be selected for individual events at the 2015 World Open Water Championships, Kazan, Russia athletes are required to:</p> <p>Olympic Distance (10km) Open Water Event – Two-step process</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Compete at the New Zealand Open Water Championships, Taupo, 10th January 2015 and finish in the top 5 in the Olympic distance (10km). 2. Compete at the 2015 BHP Billiton Aquatic Super Series, Perth, 30th January to 1st February 2015 and finish in the top 6 (considering Australian and New Zealand swimmers) of the 10km event. 3. Swimmers may be considered for selection, at the sole discretion of the High Performance Director, if not having finished in the top 6, they finish within 20 seconds of the winner at the BHP Billiton Aquatic Super Series 2015 and are the first or second NZ finisher provided that they finished top 5 at the NZ Open Water Champs 2015. <p>Other Conditions:</p> <p>Non-Olympic Distance Open Water</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Swimmers who have been selected for the Open Water Olympic distance (10km) for the 2015 World Open Water Championships can request to the SNZ selectors to be entered in additional events (5km/25km). Selections for additional events will depend on the swimmers' experience in those events and/or a positive influence on the event to which the selection has been granted. 2. Selection for the Team event (5k) will be done within the team selected for the olympic distance (10k). <p>A maximum of 2 swimmers per event may be considered for selection.</p>
<p>Team Size & Announcement</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Team size for individual events will be in accordance with FINA rules. If the number of swimmers meeting the performance criteria exceeds FINA's limit, the highest ranked swimmers who satisfy the selection criteria will be selected.

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	<p>2. The selection of the athletes that have met all of the Eligibility and Performance Requirements will be announced on or about the 15th February 2015.</p>
<p>Notes</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. SNZ may amend these selection criteria at any time, by giving reasonable notice to all swimmers eligible for selection. 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 their sole discretion. 3. Any Appeals must be made within 1 week of Swimming New Zealand announcing the team. 6. Attendance at the Selection Event(s) is on a user pays basis. 7. SNZ will reimburse the cost of competing at the BHP Billiton Aquatic Super Series (on receipt of invoices and/or receipts) to those that achieve qualification for the 2015 World Open Water Championships. 8. Participation at the 2015 World Open Water Championships will be fully funded.
<p>Approved & Date</p>	<p>Swimming New Zealand Board – November 19 2014</p>