

**SELECTION POLICY
2016 JUNIOR Pan Pacific CHAMPIONSHIPS - Maui
24th-27th August 2016**

1. GENERAL INFORMATION ELIGIBILITY

- 1.1. Team Size: Maximum squad size of 30 athletes. 15 Male and 15 Female.
- 1.2. Athletes must be 13-18 years of age as of the first day of the competition, and must be members of a non-LEN (non-European) federation.
- 1.3. For the charter nations (USA, Canada, Japan, and Australia), any athlete that competed in the Olympic Games, Long Course World Championships, Commonwealth Games, and/or Pan Pacific Championships (either individually or on a relay) would NOT be permitted to swim at the Junior Pan Pacific Championships.
- 1.4. All swimmers from non-charter nations are eligible to compete at the Junior Pan Pacific Championships, except for those that have swum in the Olympic Games, long course World Championships, Commonwealth Games, or Pan Pacific Championships and placed in the top 16 in an individual event at one of these competitions.
- 1.5. This event is subject to United States Anti-Doping and World Anti-Doping control procedures.
- 1.6. All swimmers and Team Leaders must be members in good standing of their respective FINA member federation.
- 1.7. There is a maximum of two spots available per individual event. Qualified swimmers at the discretion of the National Team Head Coach will have the opportunity to swim multiple prelims events at the Championship Meet. Only the 2 fastest swimmers per nation can qualify for the Championship Final.
- 1.8. There is a maximum of four spots available for the relay selection in the Freestyle events.
 - 1.8.1. For selection as 3rd and 4th relay swimmer, swimmers must achieve an A standard for respective relay distances, 100 and 200 individual freestyle events, and will be selected to the team provided all 15 spots are not filled by individual event A Cuts, max 2 per event.
 - 1.8.2. Relay selected athletes will be chosen on highest FINA points to fill available spots. If 1 spot available and 4 swimmers from 100 and 200 freestyle have A-cuts additional to the 2 selected per event, the remaining place will be filled with the swimmer with the highest FINA points.
- 1.9. The swimmers selection will be done based on the times achieved at the following competitions:
 - 1.9.1. 47th Singapore National Age Groups Swimming Championships – 16th to 20th of March, 2016.
 - 1.9.1.1.1. The fastest 2 A-cuts in each individual event will have automatic selection
 - 1.9.1.1.2. Qualified swimmers from SNAG must still participate in the 12th Singapore Nationals Swimming Championships in June, but do not need to requalify, however they must post at least “B” Standard times in their qualifying events.
 - 1.9.1.1.3. Qualified Olympic Athletes with A cuts from SNAG who are competing with the National Team at a pre-Olympic training camp or competition will be excused from the 12th Singapore National Swimming Championships.
 - 1.9.1.1.4. Extenuating circumstances prohibiting any qualified swimmer from SNAG from competing in the 12th SNSC meet must be communicated to the national head coach prior to competition or provide medical exemption within 48 hours of withdrawal from the meet.
 - 1.9.2. 12th Singapore National Swimming Championships based on the following criteria

- 1.9.2.1.1. If spaces are open in any event, A-cuts and then the fastest B-cuts will fill the remaining spots. These remaining spaces will only be filled from participation in the 12th SNSC.
 - 1.9.2.1.2. To be eligible for this selection criteria swimmers must compete in SNAG March, 2016 and Nationals June, 2016.
 - 1.9.2.1.3. No other competition dates will be accepted for qualification.
- 1.10. Qualifying Times MUST be achieved in the evening Finals.
- 1.11. The SSA Qualifying Time Standards for the 2016 Junior Pan Pacific Championships are shown in Table-1.
- 1.11.1. The Minimum criteria to be nominated for Selection is to achieve the “B” SSA Time Standards (Table-1)

2. SWIMMERS SELECTION – INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

- 2.1.1. At SNAG and National selection meets, **first** priority of selection will be made based on performances in both Prelim and Final Sessions as follows:
 - Priority 1 - Prelim A-cut / Final A-cut
 - Priority 2 – Prelim B-cut / Final A-cut
 - Priority 3 – Prelim no cut / Final A-cut
 - Priority 4 – Prelim B-cut / Final B-cut
 - Priority 5 – Prelim no cut / Final B-cut
- 2.2. Individual Selection 1: 47th Singapore National Age Groups Swimming Championships
 - 2.2.1. The fastest two (2) swimmers per individual event that achieve the “A” SSA Time Standards (Table-1) with a maximum squad size of 30 athletes 15 male / 15 female.
 - 2.2.2. If more than 15 per gender achieve the qualifying standard, the selection will be by order of the swimmers with the highest FINA points until the roster of 30 swimmers (15 Boys & 15 Girls) up to (2) swimmers per individual event is completed.
- 2.3. Individual Selection 2: SSA National Championships
 - 2.3.1. Any individual swimmer that achieves the “A” or “B” SSA Time Standards (Table-1) will be eligible to be selected to fill the positions unclaimed after Priority 1 is completed. The selection will be by order of the swimmers with the highest FINA points AND by performances across preliminaries and finals sessions until the roster of 30 swimmers (15 Boys & 15 Girls) up to (2) swimmers per individual event is completed.
- 2.4. Event Selection:
 - 2.4.1. In case that after the selection of swimmers and events in Priority 1 & 2 there are still some events open, the SSA High Performance Team, upon the recommendation of the National Team Head Coach, reserves the right to fill out that event with one of the swimmers already selected by Priority 1 & 2.
- 2.5. Any Team Spots that are open after Selection 1 and 2 are completed will remain vacant.
- 2.6. If a swimmer that qualifies in an individual event declines to swim that event, the vacant spot will be replaced by the next swimmer that has reach the qualifying standards and procedures as stated in point 2.1- 2.3.
- 2.7. Times accomplished as a split of an individual event will not be used to qualify.

2.8. In the event that there is a tie between two swimmers during the FINAL for the final open spot. The results from the prelims will be taken into consideration as described in 2.1.1.

2.8.1. In the event that two swimmers tie in both the HEATS and FINALS and both achieving the qualifying time, there would then be a swim off at a designated time during the course of the meet. Winner of the swim-off would then be the swimmer selected for the final open slot.

2.9. Swimmers that reach the qualifying time in the Prelims but do NOT participate in the Finals will not be selected unless the swimmer has been medically exempted.

2.9.1. In this case the swimmer will have to present a certificate from the doctor stating that the swimmer had to pull out of the competition for medical issues. This certificate will have to be delivered to the National Team Head Coach no later than 48 hours after the swimmer pulls out of the event.

3. SWIMMERS SELECTION – RELAYS will be selected WITH ATHLETES MAKING THE MEET. Unless:

3.1. In the 100m & 200m Freestyle events the third and fourth ranked swimmers that achieve the SSA A Time Standards (Table-1) will be selected to compete in the 4 x 100m & 4 x 200m Freestyle Relays, provided the 15/15 caps have not been exceeded.

3.2. For the 4 x 100m Freestyle & 4 x 200m Freestyle Relays

3.2.1. The top two qualified swimmers in each event will have a secured spot in the relay final.

3.2.1.1. The coaching staff will meet the day before the relay to discuss who will swim in the Prelims. Finals spots on the relay will be discussed based on morning preliminary results.

3.3.4 x 100m Medley Relay

The top qualified swimmer of each individual 100m stroke will be considered as a priority for Finals. The coaching staff will meet the day before the relay to discuss who will swim in the Prelims.

3.3.1. Mixed 4 x 100m Freestyle & 4 x 100m Medley Relays

3.3.2. The coaching staff will meet the day before the relay to discuss who will swim in the Prelims.

3.4. The National Team Head Coach will make the final decision on who will swim in the relays after consulting with the coaching staff.

3.5. If a swimmer that qualifies for the Freestyle Relay/s declines to be part of the team then the SSA High Performance Team will consult the National Team Head Coach and will make the decision if it is necessary to fill that relay spot with another swimmer, choosing the 5th fastest swimmer in that event provided that swimmer has achieved the A-cut.

4. SELECTION OF COACHES

4.1. The SSA High Performance Coach will assume the role of National Team Head Coach for the Junior Pan Pacific Swimming Championships 2016.

4.2. The number of coaches will depend on the number of swimmers selected with a maximum ratio of 1:5 (1 coach x every 5 swimmers), with a max cap of 2 coaches selected per club.

4.2.1. Up to 6 coaches appointed excluding the National Team Head Coach:

4.2.1.1.	Head Coach Boys Team	1
4.2.1.1.1.	Assistant Coaches	up to 2
4.2.1.2.	Head Coach Girls Team	1
4.2.1.2.1	Assistant Coaches	up to 2

4.3. A Maximum of 4 coaches will be named in accordance with the following criteria and priority:

- 4.3.1. Number of swimmers that have achieved the individual “A” SSA Time Standard (Table-1).
- 4.3.2. Number of swimmers that have achieved the individual “B” SSA Time Standard (Table-1).
- 4.3.3. Level of Qualified swimmers by the FINA points Table.
- 4.3.4. Number of swimmers that have qualified (individually & relay) for the meet.
 - 4.3.4.1. The nominated coach of an athlete must be the coach of record for at least the 6 months prior to the athlete’s selection to the Junior Pan Pacific Swimming Championships.

4.4. The rest of the Assistant Coaches will be selected by Singapore Swimming Association.

4.5. Every coach must be up to date with current regulations and sign a coaches agreement on acceptance of a coaching position.

5. GENERAL CRITERIA

5.1. Every member of the Team will have to attend all the activities designed by the National Team Head Coach in preparation for the Junior Pan Pacific Championships. Swimmers who are unable to attend a certain activity are required to inform the National Team Head Coach in writing where he will assess on a case by case basis.

5.2. Every selected swimmer will have to fill out and sign the **Athlete’s Agreement** to confirm their participation for the 2016 Junior Pan Pacific Swimming Championships in Maui Hawaii.

5.3. All swimmers and coaches will have to accept and follow the equipment rules established by FINA, USA Swimming and the SSA.

5.4. The SSA High Performance Team, upon the recommendation of the National Team Head Coach, reserves the right to propose the addition of a swimmer that has not been selected following the established criteria for the benefit of the goals and performance of Singapore Swimming National Junior Development purposes.

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Criteria A-Cut FINA 700 points, BCuts FINA 675 points.

Table-1

SSA Time Standards				
2016 Junior Pan Pacific Championships				
Boys		Event	Girls	
B	A		A	B
23.83	23.54	50m Freestyle	26.72	27.05
53.47	52.83	100m Freestyle	58.64	59.35
1:56.27	1:54.87	200m Freestyle	2:07.24	2:08.79
4:10.87	4:07.85	400m Freestyle	4:28.46	4:31.73
8:35.40	8:29.19	800m Freestyle	9:12.98	9:19.73
16:32.94	16:20.98	1500m Freestyle	17:25.56	17:38.31
59.21	58.49	100m Backstroke	1:05.45	1:06.25
2:07.58	2:06.04	200m Backstroke	2:19.72	2:21.42
1:06.64	1:05.84	100m Breaststroke	1:12.47	1:13.35
2:24.78	2:23.04	200m Breaststroke	2:36.67	2:38.58
56.79	56.10	100m Butterfly	1:03.04	1:03.81
2:07.11	2:05.58	200m Butterfly	2:17.18	2:18.86
2:09.95	2:08.69	200m Individual Medley	2:22.07	2:23.80
4:37.97	4:34.62	400m Individual Medley	5:02.31	5:06.00