



Guam Aquatics Federation Athlete Selection Policy and Standard Entry Times

XIV 2026 Oceania Swimming Championships. Suva, Fiji

1 Purpose

This Selection Policy outlines the required eligibility and performance standards by which the Guam Aquatics Federation will Select swim athletes (“swimmer” or “athlete”) to the Team to compete at the XIV 2026 Oceania Swimming Championships to be held **May 8 -13, 2026 in Suva, Fiji**.

Based on these dates, the qualifying period established by Guam Aquatics for these Championships is **1 January 2025 to 28 February 2026**.

2 Definitions and Interpretation

2.1 This Selection Policy is to be read in conjunction with the Guam Aquatics Federation Bylaws and Code of Conduct, and all terms, conditions, directives, decisions, orders, codes, policies, standards, rules and/or regulations whatsoever promulgated by the Federation, Oceania Aquatics, World Aquatics, the Guam National Olympic Committee, the host country, and the Competition organizers, including all amendments, updates, and reenactments thereto as may adopted from time to time. of the Federation, World Aquatics, the Guam National Olympic Committee, and the host Competition organizers (collectively “**the Rules**”).

2.2 In this Selection Policy, the following words have the corresponding meaning:

2.2.1 **Competition** means the XIV 2026 Oceania Swimming Championships.

2.2.3. **Federation** means the Guam Aquatics Federation.

2.2.4 **Select/Selected/Selection** refers to the Team Selected by the Federation in its discretion.

2.2.5 **Standard Entry Time(s)** means the minimum qualifying time(s) established for the Competition by Guam Aquatics as set out in **Appendix 1**, attached.

2.2.6 **Team or Team Guam** means the official Guam National Team that consists of the delegation of athletes and officials Selected and authorized to attend the Competition and represent the Federation and Guam.

3 Athlete Selection Process and Criteria

3.1 Entry times will only be accepted if they have been achieved within the qualifying period of **1 January 2025 to 28 February 2026**. Times achieved outside this qualifying period will not be accepted.

3.2 Within the qualifying period, swimmers must achieve at least one of the listed Long Course (50m) Standard Entry Times set out on Page 4. Additionally, swimmers must also meet the following minimum eligibility requirements, in order to be considered for Selection to the Team:

- 3.2.1 Be a United States citizen and passport holder.
- 3.2.2 Meet the Team Guam residency requirements established by the Guam National Olympic Committee.
- 3.2.3 Be a registered member of Guam Aquatics in good standing.
- 3.2.4 Be age 14 years or older as of December 31, 2026.
- 3.2.5 Be actively and consistently training and swimming for at least six months prior to the date of selection and continuing up to the starting date of the Competition.
- 3.2.6 Be able to produce proof of consistent times.
- 3.2.7 Be medically fit and/or been certified as medically fit to participate at the Competition.
- 3.2.8 Not have tested positive at any time in any WADA sanctioned anti-doping testing program.
- 3.2.9 Not have had any disciplinary action (suspended or otherwise) taken against him or her by Guam Aquatics or a criminal conviction in the twelve months prior to selection and through the end of the Competition.
- 3.2.10 Must sign the Guam Aquatics Athletes Agreement and fulfill all team commitments.

4 Sport Entries

4.1 The competition rules and sport entry requirements will be separately determined and announced by Oceania Aquatics and the organizing committee.

4.2 The National Team Head Coach has the discretion to determine which events the swimmers on the Team will compete in. The decision of the National Team Head Coach shall not be subject to or capable of appeal.

5 National Team Membership

5.1 There is no automatic Selection or guarantee of Selection to the National Team regardless of qualification or ranking. All eligible and qualified athletes will be considered subject to the Rules and other applicable eligibility criteria including but not limited to residency, gender, sportsmanship, and maturity.

5.2 If Selection is approved by the Federation's Executive Board and membership to the Team is offered, then by virtue of acceptance of Selection and membership to the Team, each swimmer (and if a minor, then also their parents and guardians) explicitly and without condition warrants that he/she understands, accepts, and agrees to be bound by the Rules. Swimmers (and their parents/guardians) agree that they may be removed or suspended from the Team if one or more of the following occur:

- 5.2.1 The athlete has violated any of the Rules;
- 5.2.2 The athlete has not met the Federation's requirements in relation to training and participation in training camps as may be identified and required by the Federation in its discretion;
- 5.2.3 The Federation is not satisfied that the athlete is appropriately committed to training, or has not achieved and is maintaining an appropriate level of health, fitness or times, in order to achieve peak performance at the Competition; or
- 5.2.4 The athlete has not completed, signed, and returned to the Federation any and all documents that are required to be completed by the established deadline.

5.3 Should an athlete withdraw or be removed from the Team at any time following their Selection to the Team, the Federation may in its absolute discretion, but is not required to, replace the athlete with the next immediate eligible ranking athlete.

5.4 This is a self-funded competition. In the event any subsidy becomes available, priority will go to the top male and female athlete who come closest to achieving a score of "1" under the Base Time Proximity Standard.

6 Amendments and Changes

6.1 Changes in this Selection Policy or the selection/eligibility procedures caused by a change in World Aquatics, Oceania Aquatics, the host Competition organizing committee, and/or host country rules and regulations will be distributed to the affected athletes immediately.

6.2 At all times, the Federation reserves the absolute right and discretion to determine, audit, correct, and to make adjustments to this Selection Policy and its own qualifying criteria, time standards, and other eligibility requirements.

XIV 2026 Oceania Swimming Championships, Suva, Fiji

Competition Dates: 11 to 17 May 2026
Qualifying period: 1 January 2025 to 28 February 2026

LONG COURSE (50M) STANDARD ENTRY TIMES ¹		
QUALIFYING EVENTS	MEN	WOMEN
100m Freestyle	54.45	1:03.77
200m Freestyle	2:08.54	2:27.68
400m Freestyle	4:46.79	5:18.46
800m Freestyle	8:21.48	8:59.57
1500m Freestyle	16:13.27	17:04.21
100m Backstroke	1:02.61	1:13.20
200m Backstroke	2:18.97	2:44.97
100m Breaststroke	1:10.27	1:19.31
200m Breaststroke	2:47.63	2:52.83
100m Butterfly	58.23	1:08.61
200m Butterfly	2:24.57	2:34.27
200 IM	2:27.67	2:48.08
400 IM	4:34.80	5:05.43

Explanation:

Time standards correspond to the time achieved by no more than the 6th place finish in the "A" finals of the XIII 2024 Oceania Swimming Champs held in Gold Coast, Australia.

Only 100-meter times are acceptable for qualification purposes. Athletes who qualify may swim 50-meter distance events at the competition.

¹ Entry times must be achieved in a 50-meter pool. In its discretion, and in cases where no, or too few, LCM times are available, the Federation may allow 25-meter SCM times to be converted into 50-meter LCM times.