



Guam Aquatics Federation
Athlete Selection Policy and Standard Entry Times

2027 PACIFIC GAMES TAHITI

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 XVIII Pacific Games 2027 to be held **July 24 to July 31 in Tahiti, French Polynesia**.

Based on these dates, the qualifying period established by Guam Aquatics for these Championships is **January 1, 2026 to February 27, 2027**.

THIS IS A SELF-FUNDED COMPETITION (see Art. 5.4).

2 Definitions and Interpretation

2.1 This Selection Policy is to be read without exception to, and 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, the Pacific Games Council, World Aquatics, Oceania 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 (collectively “the Rules”).

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

2.2.1 **Competition** means the XVIII Pacific Games 2027.

2.2.3. **Federation** or **NF** 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

Entry times will only be accepted if they have been achieved within the qualifying period of **January 1, 2026 to February 27, 2027**. Times achieved outside this qualifying period will not be accepted.

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

- 3.1.1 Be a United States citizen and passport holder.
- 3.1.2 Meet the Team Guam residency requirements established by the Guam National Olympic Committee.
- 3.1.3 Be a registered member of Guam Aquatics in good standing.
- 3.1.4 Be age 14 years or older as of December 31, 2027.
- 3.1.5 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.
- 3.1.6 Be able to produce proof of consistent times.
- 3.1.7 Be medically fit and/or been certified as medically fit to participate at the Competition.
- 3.1.8 Not have tested positive at any time in any WADA sanctioned anti-doping testing program.
- 3.1.9 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.
- 3.1.10 Must sign the Guam Aquatics Athletes Agreement, all documents required by GNOC, and must be able to fulfill all team commitments.

4 Sport Entries

4.1 The competition rules and sport entry requirements will be separately determined and announced by the Pacific Games Council 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 by extension including 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 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.** Without limitation, athletes are responsible for their own travel, visa, hotel (lodging) and food expenses. The Federation is not responsible nor liable for reimbursements or refunds should participants be dissatisfied for any reason. In the event a subsidy is available, priority will go to the top male and female athlete who come closest to achieving a score of "1.000" in an individual event of 100-meters or more 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 Pacific Games Council, the host Competition organizing committee, and/or host country rules and regulations will be distributed to the affected athletes immediately. 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.

XVIII Pacific Games 2027, Tahiti, French Polynesia
 Competition Dates: 2027 July 24 to July 31
 Qualifying period: January 1, 2026 to February 27, 2027

LONG COURSE (50M) STANDARD ENTRY TIMES		
QUALIFYING EVENTS	MEN	WOMEN
100m Freestyle	55.29	1:01.64
200m Freestyle	2:16.68	2:19.33
400m Freestyle	4:51.52	5:32.85
800m Freestyle	9:06.53*	13:05.27
1500m Freestyle	20:04.37	22:17.22*
100m Backstroke	1:02.85	1:13.59
200m Backstroke	2:18.20	2:44.43
100m Breaststroke	1:12.77	1:23.87
200m Breaststroke	2:40.50	2:56.07
100m Butterfly	59.75	1:09.86
200m Butterfly	2:20.74	2:57.89
200 IM	2:25.58	3:33.55
400 IM	5:09.57	5:32.41

Explanation:

Only 100-meter times are accepted for qualification purposes.¹ Athletes who qualify may swim 50-meter distance events at the competition. Time standards generally correspond to the time achieved by the 6th place, but no more than the 8th place, finish in the "A" finals of the 2023 Pacific Games, Solomon Islands.

**Due to being non-contested at the 2023 Pacific Games, marked times correspond to no more than the 8th place final achieved at the 2026 Oceania Championships, Suva Fiji.*

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.