

Swimming ACT Squads 2008 Selection Criteria

Background:

The squad structure and associated selection criteria are generally reviewed each year ahead of the selection process. This document sets down the squad selection criteria for 2008.

Who is eligible for consideration?

Any swimmer who is a first claim member of a Swimming ACT affiliated club.

Note: A swimmer who moves into the district (and becomes a first claim member of a Swimming ACT affiliated club) following the selection process could be ranked and included on the reserve list for a squad if they met the basic criteria for that squad.

Point Score Systems

It was agreed:

1. The Australian Age Points (AAP) will be used in the selection of the ACT 2008 A and B Squads.
2. An appropriate point score will be used for the Swimming ACT 2008 C and D Squads

Guidance is to be sought from Swimming Australia to ensure that swimmers with a disability are able to be appropriately ranked.

Times to be considered for ranking purposes

Unless otherwise specified, swimmers times for ranking purposes will be the best long course time for an event recorded by the swimmer from 22 September 2007 to 6 April 2008, plus the 2007 National Age and OWS. Results to be taken into consideration are: ACT district meets, State and National meets and those meets for which official results have been lodged with the Registrar.

General rules

1. A swimmer is only eligible for consideration for selection in a specific ACT Squad for a maximum period of four years from and including the first year they were selected in that squad.
2. Once a squad offer is made a swimmer cannot elect or request to move to a lower squad.
3. In a particular year, if a swimmer is eligible for selection in a squad ("the higher squad") whether they are selected or not in that higher squad they are no longer eligible for consideration for selection in any squad lower than the higher squad.
4. After a swimmer has been selected in any squad they are not eligible at any future time for selection in a squad lower than the squad in which they had previously been selected.
5. A swimmer will not be offered a place in a squad unless their club head coach (or venue head coach where the club has more than one training venue) confirms that the swimmer is training and competing regularly and has not sustained an injury that prevents the swimmers from training and competing.

Criteria Specific to each squad

A Squad:

Maximum number of swimmers: 15

No age restriction applies

Selection:

- Must have been eligible to compete at the 2008 National Championships (Age or Open)
- Swimmers will be ranked using an appropriate point score system.

Selection to be made following the 2008 National Age Championships.

B Squad:

Maximum number of swimmers: 20

Age: 13+

Selection:

- Must have been eligible to compete at the 2008 NSW State Age 13-18 Years Championships or 2008 NSW State Open Championships
- Swimmers will be ranked using an appropriate point score system

Selection to be made after March 31.

C Squad

Maximum number of swimmers: 30

Age: 10-13 as at 1 April 2008

Selection:

- Must have been eligible to compete at the 2006 NSW State Age 10 and under to 12 Years Championships
- Swimmers will be ranked using an appropriate point score system

Selection to be made after January 31 with long course times established between 22 September of the previous year and 31 January of the year of selection.

D Squad:

Age: Must be 10 as at the date of the 2008 NSW Development Meet.

Selected from the swimmers who compete in at least 2 of the 2007-2008 ACT Summer (Development/Intermediate) Series meets.

Selection to comply with the requirements of the NSW development program i.e. non State qualifiers.

Eligible swimmers will be ranked using an appropriate point score system.