



2025-2026 NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION CRITERIA

GENERAL CRITERIA

- ❖ Athletes must be registered USA Swimming members in good standing at the time of any qualifying competitions and selection, and throughout their term on the National Team. An athlete may be suspended from the National Team if they do not remain in good standing, including membership requirements and adherence to the SafeSport Code for the U.S. Olympic & Paralympic Movement, the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency Protocol, the World Anti-Doping Agency's Code, and any USA Swimming, U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Committee, World Aquatics, or International Olympic Committee rules and regulations. If an athlete who has qualified for, but has subsequently been suspended from, the National Team is reinstated, or their suspension is reduced, by a court or body with competent jurisdiction such that the athlete becomes eligible during all or part of the term of the 2025-2026 National Team, their National Team suspension will be lifted, in accordance with the order from the court or body. If an athlete who was otherwise eligible for selection to the National Team but was not in good standing at the time of selection due to any type of suspension or ineligibility determination, and the suspension or ineligibility determination is later overturned or reduced by a court or body with competent jurisdiction during the term of the 2025-2026 National Team such that the athlete would have been eligible at the time of selection to the National Team, the athlete will be added to the National Team, in accordance with the order from the court or body. In any of these scenarios where an athlete is added or reinstated to the National Team, no athlete will be removed due to the addition.
- ❖ Athletes shall keep their USA Swimming memberships current and in good standing, including, if at least 18-years-old, completing Athlete Protection Training and a current background screen. If athletes do not have a current background screen, they must submit a background screen within 5 days of being named to the National Team. Athletes acknowledge that the results of the background screen will be subject to USA Swimming's Background Check Policy (www.usaswimming.org/backgroundcheck).
- ❖ At the time of any qualifying competitions and selection, and throughout their term on the National Team, athletes must be eligible to represent, and intend to represent, the U.S. in international competition.

2025-2026 USA SWIMMING NATIONAL TEAM

Team will be announced September 8, 2025

- ❖ USA Swimming will name athletes to the 2025-2026 National Team, who will be on the National Team from September 8, 2025 - September 7, 2026.
- ❖ Athletes will be selected based on Times. A "Time" means the fastest long course meters time swum by that Athlete in each individual event swum at the Olympic Games ("Individual Olympic Event"), from any of the following qualifying competitions (i) any USA Swimming sanctioned competition, (ii) any AQUA approved competition for the 2025 World Aquatics Championships, which can be found here; <https://www.worldaquatics.com/competitions/4725/world-aquatics-championships-singapore-2025/qualifications?gender=M&distance=50&stroke=FREESTYLE&standard=all®ionId=all&countryId>
≡ (iii) any international competition between January 1, 2025 through August 24, 2025, to which USA

Swimming sent a team. Relay lead-offs, time trials, swim-offs, and intermediate splits will not be included. Only Times from preliminary heats, semi-finals, and finals (A, B, C, and D) will be used. Only that one Time will be used per Athlete, per Individual Olympic Event. Times from “approved meets” or “observed swims” will not be considered.

- ❖ The six Athletes with the fastest Times in each Individual Olympic Event will be selected to the Team. If there is a tie to the last spot for any Individual Olympic Event, all athletes involved in the tie will be selected to the National Team.
- ❖ The National Team roster will be selected according to the USA Swimming times database on www.usaswimming.org as of as of September 8, 2025, at 8:00 AM Mountain Time. If an athlete’s Time is not in the USA Swimming Times database, it is up to the athlete to contact USA Swimming with proof of their Time prior to September 5, 2025.