

1. Definitions and Interpretation

- (a) This Selection Policy is to be read in conjunction with the Swimming Australia Ltd. (SAL) Selection Guidelines.
- (b) All defined terms in this Selection Policy have the same meaning as in the Selection Guidelines, unless otherwise stated.

2. Background

- (a) For the purposes of this Selection Policy:
 - (i) This policy will only apply if there are no Australian male or female athletes who qualify for the 2020 Olympic Games Marathon Swimming, through the 2019 FINA World Championships 10km event.
 - (ii) the Team is the Australian Swim Team for the Marathon Swimming event at 2020 Olympic Qualification event;
 - (iii) the Competition is the 2020 Marathon Swimming Olympic Qualification event;
 - (iv) the Competition will take place on (TBC) 2020 in (TBC); and
 - (v) the Qualifying Events are the:
 - (A) 2020 Australian 10km Championships, which will take place from (TBC) January 2020 in Adelaide.
 - (B) 2020 FINA Marathon Swim World Series (City - TBC) which will take place on (TBC) March 2020 in (TBC).
- (b) This Selection Policy details the process and criteria by which SAL will select athletes to the Team to compete at the Competition.

3. Team composition, size and rankings.*Team composition and size*

- (a) When selecting the Team, the SAL Selection Committee will select the Team in accordance with this Selection Policy and the Selection Guidelines.
- (b) The composition of the Team is to be determined by the SAL Selection Committee.
- (c) The Team will, in accordance with applicable eligibility requirements for the Competition, consist of a maximum of:
 - (i) four athletes (the **Team Size**); and
 - (ii) two athletes from either gender.

Rankings

- (d) In the event of a tie for the final position on the Team from the Marathon Swim World Series Qualifying event, the SAL Selection Committee will select the athlete(s) to the Team from the tied athletes at its absolute discretion.

4. Athlete Selection Process and Criteria

The requirements to be met by an athlete in order to be considered for selection (**Performance Requirements**) at the Competition are as follows, and are subject at all times to adjustment in accordance with **clause 5** of the Selection Guidelines.

- (a) The first and second ranked eligible athletes (in both genders) from the FINA Marathon Swim World Series Qualifying Event will be selected to the Team.

5. Financial Support – FINA Marathon Swim World Series

- (a) The first four eligible athletes (both genders) based on performances at the Australian 10km Championships will be funded by SAL to participate at the FINA Marathon Swim World Series in (TBC).
- (b) Athletes not funded by SAL can still participate in the FINA Marathon Swim World Series meet and will be added to the SAL team. They will be required to self-fund to this Marathon Swim World Series meet, sign a Swimmer Agreement, supply their own coach/feeder and comply with all directions by SAL and Team Management.
- (c) For the avoidance of doubt, all Australian athletes entered into the FINA Marathon Swim World Series Qualifying Event are eligible for selection onto the Olympic Qualifier Open Water team.