

Australian Criteria



5th WORLD DOWN SYNDROME SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS TEAM AUSTRALIA 2010

CRITERIA FOR TEAM INCLUSION

The following criteria are suggested for determining the content and makeup of the Australian Team. The objectives of having criteria for team members are to ensure Australia is represented by the best swimmers.

Criteria

Swimmers must:

1. Be a minimum age of 16 years or older as at 1st January, the year of the Championships.
2. Have completed an "Expression of Interest" form and returned it by the due date. Have included with the form a spreadsheet indicating times from sanctioned swim meets during the past twelve months. A coach's declaration that the required information is true and correct.
3. Swimmers selected should be training a minimum of 4 sessions a week in a pool and a minimum of 1 session in the gym.

Performance Requirements:

1. Swimmers will be selected on current Australian Down Syndrome Rankings per event.
2. The top three swimmers with the fastest times in each event will be selected.

Team Inclusion

1. Be eligible for an Australian Passport.
2. Be registered with DSDUSO
3. Be registered with AUSRAPID and have completed their INAS-FID eligibility requirements.
4. Complete the DSISO and DSDUSO Code of Conduct and Commitment Form.
5. Complete the DSISO **and** DSDUSO Medical Form including an X-ray for Atlanto-Axial Instability and submitting the x-ray report.
6. If selected you need to provide evidence of either diagnosis of Trisomy 21 or Mosaic Down syndrome, the chromosome report, analysis or equivalent is required. (Blood test)
7. Agree to display appropriate behaviour, sportsmanship and demeanour expected of an Australian Team Member during the event.
8. Be medically able to complete all training and competition requirements leading up to and during the event, including the two team training camps and uniform presentation.
9. Maintain or improve the performance standard on which they were selected.
10. Not use any prohibited substance or commit any doping offence under the relevant anti-doping policy amended by FINA.
11. Be able to pay the costs of their trip or be willing to fund-raise their expenses.
12. Be able to stay an extra day for a full Team Debrief and luncheon.

