

# **2008- 2009 USA Swimming Junior Pan Pacific Team**

## **Selection Criteria**

### **Age Requirements (on the first day of international competition):**

Girls: 17 and under who will not be attending college prior to the scheduled international competition.

Boys: 18 and under who will not be attending college prior to the scheduled international competition.

### **Events:**

Athletes will be selected in all Olympic Events (Long Course Meters). Athletes will also be selected from the women's 1500 meter freestyle (LCM) and the men's 800 meter freestyle (LCM).

Open Water 10K selection will be selected at the 10K Nationals in Minneapolis, MN. Aug. 3. \*\*\*

Pool athletes and Open Water athletes will be allowed to swim as many events as permitted by the schedule of events, with the top three American athletes advancing to the finals. Pool athletes can swim in the open water event, and open water athletes can swim in the pool events.

### **Athlete Selection:**

- Athletes must be a U.S. Citizen and eligible to represent the U.S. in international competitions to be considered for this competition
- Relay lead-offs and time trials will not be used for selection.
- Each gender will be considered separately.
- The Team will be limited to 20 men and 20 women, per Jr. Pan Pacific rules. If more than 20 men or 20 women qualify via the time standard, the following will apply:
  - The fastest eligible athlete in each individual event will be chosen, provided they have the National Junior Team time standard in that event.
  - The remaining positions on the Team will be filled by comparing the second fastest eligible athletes in each event. The swimmers with the highest World Ranking, according to the world rankings in their event from Swimnews.com International World Rankings as of and including August 8, 2008, will be selected to the team, provided that these swimmers have made the National Junior Team time standard in that event. Note: Adjusted International Rankings will not be used.
  - This process will continue until the Team is filled to 20 men and 20 women.
  - If an athlete doubles, then the next eligible swimmer in that event will be ranked.

- If 20 athletes do not make the time standard, the team will not be filled

#### Breaking a Tie:

If two or more swimmers tie for the 20<sup>th</sup> position on the team, the tie for this position will be broken as follows:

- A. The swimmers with the most National Junior Team qualifying time standards will be selected (example: if one athlete has three time standards and the other athlete has two time standards, the athlete with three time standards will be selected). If this does not break the tie, the following will be used:
- B. The athlete with the most Senior National Qualifying times, as of August 8, 2008, will be added to the Team. If this does not break the tie, the following will be used:
- C. The athlete with the most Junior National Qualifying times as of August 8, 2008, will be added to the Team. If this does not break the tie, the following will be used:
- D. The final position will be determined by a random draw.

All swimmers must reach the qualifying time standard at one of the meets listed below:

- 2008 U.S. Olympic Team Trials - Swimming, June 29- July 6
- 2008 U.S. Open, July 29- Aug. 2
- 2008 Speedo Junior National Championships, Aug. 4-8
- 2008 USA Swimming Open Water 10K Nationals, Aug 3

#### **Camp and Competition:**

National Junior Team members will be required to participate in the Jr. Pan Pacific Championships, January 4-13, 2009, in Guam, competition dates (Jan 8-12).

#### **Obligations:**

An athlete may be removed from any National Team for failure to comply with the requirements of the National Team program unless excused by the National Team Head Coach or National Team Managing Director. All National Team members will be required to maintain the desired level of conditioning for optimum performance.

#### **Term:**

Athletes may participate in the National Junior Team Program as long as they meet the requirements. Athletes who participate in the World Youth Championships in 2008 are still eligible for the National Junior Team.

Athletes who have qualified for and competed in the Olympic Games, World Championships, Pan Pacific Championships, Pan American Games, World University Games, Duel in the Pool, Japan International Grand Prix, Short Course World Championships and other high-level USA Swimming National Teams are ineligible for the Junior Team.

**2008 Junior Team Time Standards**

	Women	Men
50 Fr	26.19	23.49
100 Fr	57.09	51.09
200 Fr	2:03.59	1:52.89
400 Fr	4:15.79	3:58.79
800 Fr	8:44.99	8:13.29
1500 Fr	16:42.59	15:42.79
100 Bk	1:03.39	57.09
200 Bk	2:15.49	2:01.89
100 Br	1:11.99	1:04.49
200 Br	2:33.99	2:18.99
100 Fl	1:01.69	54.79
200 Fl	2:15.99	2:01.19
200 IM	2:18.49	2:06.49
400 IM	4:51.39	4:28.09

\*\*\* - Open Water selection will be the top three place finishers who meet the age requirement