



18 & UNDER WORLD 100 SELECTION SUMMARY (2018)

GENERAL CRITERIA

- ❖ The athlete must be a registered USA Swimming member at the time of the qualifying performance.
- ❖ The athlete must be eligible to represent the U.S. in International Competition as of September 1, 2018.
- ❖ The athlete must be 18 or under on September 1, 2018 (born on, or after, September 2nd 1999)

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

- ❖ Everyone who meets the general and performance criteria and has an 18 & Under World Ranking of #1-100 (subject to the database dates provided below) will be recognized as a USA Swimming World 100 athlete.
- ❖ Athletes will be ranked according to their highest 18 & Under World Ranking in an individual Olympic event.
- ❖ In the event that two athletes have the same 18 & Under World Rank, the tie will be broken based on the athlete with the highest FINA points. Should there be a tie in FINA points, there will be no tie breaker.
- ❖ Long course times will be considered from January 1st, 2018 through and including August 31st, 2018 from all USA Swimming and FINA approved competitions.

ADDITIONAL CRITERIA

- ❖ The 18 & Under World 100 list will first be selected according to the FINA database as of September 7th, 2018 at 8am Mountain Time. These rankings will then be published to USA Swimming no later than Monday September 10th. Any corrections, or additions, must be sent to Mitch Dalton mdalton@usaswimming.org by Thursday September 20th. After this time, no adjustments will be made.
- ❖ The final list of athletes who posted a Top 100 World Ranking swim will be published on Tuesday October 2nd.
- ❖ Athletes can visit the USA Swimming website to check their current highest 18 & Under World Ranking at any given point in the season
- ❖ Visit www.usaswimming.org > Times > Data Hub > Age Defined World Rankings
<https://www.usaswimming.org/Times/data-hub>
 - ❖ Enter "Born between" dates of 09/02/1999 (September 2nd, 1999) and current date (day/month/2018)
NOTE: If an athletes name, or time, is not appearing in the data base, please contact Mitch Dalton at mdalton@usaswimming.org
- ❖ Athletes will be considered regardless of year in high school, college or university as long as all other requirements are met.

MEL ZAJAC INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

- ❖ USA Athletes who appear on the World 100 List will be invited to represent the USA National Junior Team in competition at the 2019 Mel Zajac Competition in Vancouver, Canada provided they meet all General Criteria, Performance Criteria, Additional Criteria as well as the below:
 - (1.) Athlete may not have previously represented the United States in international competition.
 - (2.) Athlete may not have begun university/college.
 - (3.) Are ranked as one of the top 50 USA 18 & under males or top 50 USA 18 & under females.
 - (4.) Are eligible to represent the United States at the time of the competition.

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MOTIVATION FOR GENERAL GOAL

- ❖ Below you will find a breakdown of what it took to post an 18 & Under World Ranking of 100 or better in each individual Olympic event. These are **NOT** qualifying times.

TIMES EQUATING TO A TOP 100 18 & UNDER WORLD RANKING IN 2017.

Below is a look back at what it took to record an 18 & Under World Rank of 100th in each individual Olympic event for the 2017 season.

Female 18&U Top 100 Times (2017)	Event	Male 18&U Top 100 Times (2017)
26.16	50 Freestyle	23.44
56.50	100 Freestyle	51.08
2:02.10	200 Freestyle	1:51.69
4:17.55	400 Freestyle	3:57.69
8:53.42	800 Freestyle	8:21.46
17:12.59	1500 Freestyle	15:50.93
1:02.91	100 Backstroke	57.23
2:15.50	200 Backstroke	2:04.34
1:11.01	100 Breaststroke	1:03.71
2:33.01	200 Breaststroke	2:18.18
1:01.02	100 Butterfly	54.87
2:14.76	200 Butterfly	2:02.81
2:18.08	200 Individual Medley	2:05.40
4:52.23	400 Individual Medley	4:27.91

TIMES EQUATING TO A TOP 30 18 & UNDER WORLD RANKING IN 2017.

Traditionally (to be invited on the **Mel Zajac Trip**) it takes about an 18 & Under World Rank of Top 30 to be ranked as one of the USA's 50 best males or 50 best females. Below is a list of times for a Top 30 18 & Under World Rank in 2017.

Female 18&U Top 30 Times (2017)	Event	Male 18&U Top 30 Times (2017)
25.65	50 Freestyle	23.02
55.61	100 Freestyle	50.03
1:59.68	200 Freestyle	1:49.66
4:12.07	400 Freestyle	3:54.24
8:40.05	800 Freestyle	8:09.38
16:38.83	1500 Freestyle	15:30.56
1:01.54	100 Backstroke	55.85
2:12.79	200 Backstroke	2:01.37
1:09.62	100 Breaststroke	1:02.28
2:29.11	200 Breaststroke	2:14.03
59.55	100 Butterfly	53.45
2:11.46	200 Butterfly	2:00.21
2:14.98	200 Individual Medley	2:03.23
4:47.06	400 Individual Medley	4:22.10

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