The intent of this document is to give athletes and coaches an overview of the 2020-2021 National Team selection criteria. Any questions can be directed to Lindsay Mintenko at lmintenko@usaswimming.org.

GENERAL CRITERIA

- All team members must be registered USA Swimming members in good standing.
- The athlete must be eligible to represent the U.S. in International Competition.

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Team will be announced August 18, 2020

- All members of the 2019-2020 National Team (selection criteria below) will automatically qualify for the 2020-2021 National Team unless they have officially retired from swimming by submitting the official retirement form to USADA.
- Times must be achieved at a USA Swimming or FINA sanctioned event
- Relay lead-offs, time-trials, swim-offs, performances from mixed gender heats, and intermediate splits will not be included.*
- Times from Prelims, Semi-Finals and Finals (A, B, C and D) only will be used.
- Times from “approved meets” or “observed swims” will not be considered.
- All times are Long Course meters.

- Additional qualifiers will be added in two phases:
  - In both phases the slowest qualifying time in each event on the original 2019-2020 National Team roster will be used as a cutoff time for the 2020-2021 National Team roster
    - Phase 1:
      - Qualifying performances from September 1, 2019 to March 17, 2020 will be added to the roster on August 17, 2020
      - Any athlete who equals or betters the slowest qualifying time in each event on the original 2019-2020 National Team roster from September 1, 2019 to March 17, 2020 will be added to the 2020-2021 roster in that event. This includes athletes not currently on the 2019-2020 National Team and athletes who are on the 2019-2020 National Team in other events
      - For an athlete to be added to the 2020-2021 roster his/her qualifying time(s) must be in the database on usaswimming.org by 8/1/2020
    - Phase 2:
      - Qualifying performances from August 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020 will be added to the roster on January 4, 2021
Any athlete who equals or betters the slowest qualifying time in each event on the original 2019-2020 National Team roster from August 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020 will be added to the 2020-2021 roster in that event. This includes athletes not currently on the 2019-2020 National Team and athletes who are on the 2019-2020 National Team in other events. For an athlete to be added to the 2020-2021 roster his/her qualifying time(s) must be in the database on usaswimming.org by 12/31/2020.

* For phase 2 only, USA Swimming sanctioned time trials will be eligible for 2020-2021 National Team selection.

Roster adjustments:
- No athletes will be removed from the 2019-2020 National Team roster regardless of how many new athletes qualify in any individual event.
- Adjustments to the 2019-2020 roster will be:
  - An athlete who was not named to the 2019-2020 National Team qualifies in one or more events.
  - An athlete who is already on the 2019-2020 National Team qualifies in an additional event.
  - An athlete who is already on the 2019-2020 National Team improves his/her time in that event.

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- The six athletes with the highest usaswimming.org World Rankings in individual Olympic Events from the combined results of all USA Swimming or FINA sanctioned meets.
- Relay lead-offs, time trials, swim-offs and intermediate splits will not be included.
- Times from Prelims, Semi-Finals and Finals (A, B, C and D) only will be used.
- Times from “approved meets” or “observed swims” will not be considered.
- The National Team roster will be selected according to the world rankings at www.usaswimming.org as of September 3rd, 2019 at 8 am Mountain Time.
- Times swum from January 1, 2019 through, and including, August 25, 2019 will be considered for selection to the National Team roster.
- If an athlete’s time is not in the world rankings at usaswimming.org database it is up to the athlete to contact USA Swimming with a proof of time by August 31, 2019.
- World Rankings Powered by USA Swimming is available at www.usaswimming.org > Times > Data Hub > World Rankings Powered by USA Swimming.