

**USA Swimming**  
**ATHLETE SELECTION PROCEDURES**  
**2019 World University Games**

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The 2019 World University Games (the "Championships") will be conducted in Naples, Italy, July 3-14, 2019, though the swimming competition dates are yet to be determined.

**DEFINITIONS**

Available Swimmer. "Available Swimmer" means a swimmer who (i) qualifies to be Selected to the Team in an Event according to these Selection Procedures and has complied with all eligibility requirements set forth in Sections 1.1-1.2 of these Selection Procedures; (ii) certifies to USA Swimming that he/she remains available to swim through the completion of the Championships; (iii) is at least 17 years of age, and no greater than 23 years of age, at the beginning of the Championships; (iv) is officially registered as proceeding towards a degree or diploma at a university or similar institution whose status is recognized by the appropriate national academic authority of the United States at the beginning of the Championships, or be a former student of such an institution who has obtained his/her academic degree or diploma in the year preceding the Championships (2018-2019 school year); and (v) indicates in writing that he or she will accept the invitation to be Selected to the Team when that invitation is offered by USA Swimming and to swim in the Event for which he/she qualifies in the Championships (except as otherwise provided herein). If a swimmer does not satisfy these requirements, then he/she is not considered an Available Swimmer.

Event. "Event" refers to those Events contested at the Championships.

FINA Points Table, 2018. FINA Points Table, 2018 means the applicable FINA Points Table (i.e., men or women) updated as of February 2018, for 2018, and found on the website [www.fina.org](http://www.fina.org).

Finals. "Finals" means the A, B and C Finals heats that are conducted at the Qualifying Competition from which the Qualifying Competition finish order is determined. The results of the A Finals of the Qualifying Competition will be used to determine the finish order for the top eight places. The results of the B Finals will be used to determine the place finish for 9<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> place and C Finals will be used to determine finish order for 17<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> place.

Head Coach. Unless otherwise indicated, "Head Coach" refers to the head coach of the Team for the applicable gender (i.e. the Men's Team Head Coach or Women's Team Head Coach).

Individual Olympic Event. "Individual Olympic Event" refers to those individual pool competition events contested at the Olympic Games.

Individual Non-Olympic Event. "Individual Non-Olympic Event" shall refer to those competition events (i) for individuals (as opposed to relays), (ii) held in long course

meters only, (iii) which are not held in the Olympic Games, but (iv) which are held at the Championships and the Qualifying Competition.

Modified World Ranking. See " World Ranking", below.

National Team Managing Director. "National Team Managing Director" refers to the USA Swimming National Team Managing Director, or his/her designee.

Qualifying Competition. "Qualifying Competition" means the 2018 Phillips 66 National Championships , held July 25-29, 2018, in Irvine, CA.

Relay-Only Swimmer. A Relay-Only Swimmer means a swimmer who has qualified for the Team, but has not qualified to swim in an individual Event.

Selected/ Selection/ Select to the Team. "Selected/Selection/Select to the Team" refers to the Team Selected by USA Swimming pursuant to Section 1.3 of these Selection Procedures.

Team. "Team" means the 2019 World University Games Team announced on or before October 30, 2018.

Technical Advisor. " Technical Advisor" refers to the USA Swimming National Team Technical Advisor, or his/her designee.

World Ranking. "World Ranking" means the World Ranking list printed from the [fina.org](http://fina.org) website at approximately 8:00 a.m. PT on July 25, 2018, and covering the period of January 1, 2017 through and including July 20, 2018.

Modified World Ranking. " Modified World Ranking" means the World Ranking list as modified by integrating all times from the Finals of the Qualifying Competition. An athlete's Modified World Ranking shall be determined by his/her time from the Finals of the Qualifying Competition. The results of the preliminary heats of the Qualifying Competition will be used to determine finish order immediately lower than those in the Finals (i.e., 25<sup>th</sup> place and below).

## 1. SELECTION SYSTEM:

1.1 *Provide the minimum eligibility requirements for an athlete to be considered to be Selected to the Team:*

1.1.1 In order to be considered for Selection to the Team, an athlete must, at the beginning of the Qualifying Competition:

- (a) be a registered athlete member of USA Swimming in good standing;
- (b) be a citizen of the United States; and
- (c) be eligible to represent the United States in the Championships.

In order to be considered for Selection to the Team, an athlete must, at the time of Selection to the Team, be an Available Swimmer.

1.1.2 Nationality/Passport requirements:

Athlete must hold a valid U.S. passport that will not expire for six months after the conclusion of the Championships.

1.1.3 Minimum International University Sports Federation (FISU), standards for participation:

To be eligible to compete at the Championships, a swimmer must, at the beginning of the Championships, be officially registered as proceeding towards a degree or diploma at a university or similar institution whose status is recognized by the appropriate national academic authority of the United States.

Former students of the institutions mentioned above, who have obtained their academic degree or diploma in the year preceding the Championships (2018-2019 school year), will be considered for the team, subject to FISU and other eligibility requirements.

1.1.4. Other requirements (if any):

- (a) An athlete must qualify for the Qualifying Competition, as described in Section 1.2, and compete in the Qualifying Competition.
- (b) Each swimmer that has been Selected to the Team must sign, return to USA Swimming, and abide by, the USA Swimming and BTI Events applicable competition forms for 2019 (forms will be made available prior to the Championships).
- (c) Each swimmer that has been Selected to the Team must comply with all applicable rules and requirements of FISU, BTI Events, WADA, USADA, and USA Swimming, including without limitation USA Swimming policies and protocols regarding Team preparation and participation, through the Championships.
- (d) To ensure that USA Swimming selects the best possible team for the World Championships, all swimmers who qualify for the World Championships are ineligible for selection to the Championships unless otherwise agreed to in writing by USA Swimming. Athletes will be allocated to the teams for these competitions in the following order of importance to USA Swimming and must swim in the competition to which they are assigned, unless otherwise excused pursuant to these Selection Procedures:

- (i) 2019 World Championships
- (ii) 2019 World University Games
- (iii) 2019 Pan American Games

(e) Section 1.1.4. (d) will not apply to the following swimmers if, and only if, they have meet all other requirements in these Selection Procedures to qualify for the Team and, via their respective selection procedures, the 2019 World Championships Team and the 2019 Pan American Games Team:

- (i) swimmers who qualify for the Championships solely as a Relay-Only Swimmer
- (ii) swimmers who qualify for the Championships solely in Individual Non-Olympic Events

## 1.2 Tryout Events:

1.2.1 *Provide the event names, dates and locations of all trials, events and camps to be used as part of the selection process:*

The Qualifying Competition

1.2.2 *Provide event names, dates, locations and description of how athletes qualify for the trials, events and camps listed above in 1.2.1 (if any):*

(a) To qualify for the Qualifying Competition, an athlete must achieve an applicable Qualifying Competition time standard between June 1, 2017 and the entry deadline for the Qualifying Competition. The Qualifying Competition time standards can be found at:

<https://www.usaswimming.org/Home/times/time-standards>

## 1.3 Comprehensive Selection Process:

This Section 1.3 sets forth the steps by which Available Swimmers will be selected for Selection to the Team. The process of determining who is eligible to be Selected to the Team will take place on or before October 30, 2018, after completion of the Qualifying Competition. Although USA Swimming retains the right to make changes to the results to address withdrawals and vacancies prior to the entry deadline. The specific steps for determining the athletes to be Selected to the Team are as follows:

1.3.1 **Team Size.** The maximum allowable Team size is twenty-six (26) men and twenty-six (26) women. The actual Team size will be determined once these Selection Procedures have been implemented. For purposes of these Selection Procedures, the men's and women's components of the Team will be considered separately. USA Swimming is under no obligation to Select to the Team a full team of 26 athletes in each, or either, gender.

1.3.2 **Qualifying Competition.** Performances at the Qualifying Competition, from among those eligible to compete in the Qualifying Competition as provided in Section 1.2 above, will be used to determine the Team. Performances at the Qualifying Competition will be prioritized using the priority system described below. The best finishing Available Swimmers will be Selected to the Team.

1.3.3 **Application of Priorities for Team Selection.** Performances in the Events at the Qualifying Competition will be prioritized for each gender as described in this Section 1.3.3.

These Priorities will be applied on or before October 1, 2018, after completion of the Qualifying Competition. Swimmers not qualifying via one of these priorities will not be eligible to be Selected to the Team, unless they are subsequently added to the Team as a replacement according to the process set forth in Section 4. If, after applying the priorities set forth below, as well as the procedures set forth in Section 1.3.4., there are fewer than twenty-six (26) men or twenty-six (26) women, or both, on the Team, then USA Swimming will not field a full Team, unless the Team is filled as a result of adding one or more replacements as provided in Section 4.

- (a) Priority #1. The first priority will be comprised of both (i) the four best finishing Available Swimmers based on finish order during the Finals of the Qualifying Competition in each of the 100-meter and 200-meter freestyle Events, and (ii) the best finishing Available Swimmer based on finish order during the Finals of the Qualifying Competition in each of the Individual Olympic Events other than the 100-meter and 200-meter freestyle.
- (b) Priority #2. The second priority will be comprised of the second best finishing Available Swimmer based on finish order during the Finals of the Qualifying Competition in each of the Individual Olympic Events other than the 100-meter and 200-meter freestyle.
- (c) Priority #3. The third priority will be comprised of the fifth best finishing Available Swimmer based on finish order during the Finals of the Qualifying Competition in each of the 100-meter and 200-meter freestyle.
- (d) Priority #4. The fourth priority will be comprised of the sixth best finishing Available Swimmer based on finish order during the Finals of the Qualifying Competition in each of the 100-meter and 200-meter freestyle.

#### 1.3.4 Selection of Relay Only Swimmers.

In the event that more Relay-Only Swimmers stand to be Selected to the Team than space on the Team the Relay-Only Swimmers will be ranked within their priority according to the Modified World Ranking list. Relay-Only Swimmers with the best Modified World Ranking will be eligible for Selection to the Team in order of priority. Relay-Only Swimmers will be added to the list of those to be Selected to the Team in order of priority.

#### 1.3.5 Procedure if Selections to the Team Stand to Exceed 26 Per Gender.

If the application of the procedures set forth in Sections 1.3.3 and 1.3.4. results in a list of either more than twenty-six (26) male or more than twenty-six (26) female swimmers (or both) to be Selected to the Team, then the swimmers of the gender with more than 26 swimmers to be Selected to the Team shall be ranked and Selected to the Team according to the following procedure:

- (a) All swimmers from Priority #1 shall be Selected to the Team.
- (b) All swimmers from Priority #2 will be Selected to the Team; provided, however, that if adding all swimmers from Priority #2 would result in more than twenty-six (26) swimmers for a gender to be Selected to the Team, then the swimmers

within Priority #2 shall be Selected to the Team in order of the best Modified World Ranking for the Individual Olympic Event for which they qualify until a maximum of twenty-six (26) swimmers for that gender are Selected to the Team.

- (c) If all Priority #2 swimmers are Selected to the Team and the maximum Team size of twenty-six (26) swimmers per gender has not been attained, then the same procedure of using the best Modified World Rankings will be used to rank the swimmers from Priority #3, and Priority #3 swimmers will be Selected to the Team in order of their Modified World Rankings until the team is full. If, after adding Priority #3 swimmers to the list of those to be Selected to the Team, the Team is not full, then Priority #4 swimmers will be Selected to the Team in order of their Modified World Rankings until the team is full, or until the list of Available Swimmers from Priority #1 through Priority #4 has been exhausted.

#### 1.3.6 Breaking a Tie.

- (a) Tie in Same Individual Olympic Event. In the instance where there is a tie between two swimmers in the same Individual Olympic Event for first place, both swimmers will be classified under Priority #1. In the instance where there is a tie between three or more swimmers for first place in the same Individual Olympic Event or where there is a tie between two or more swimmers in the same Individual Olympic Event for second place, a swim-off will be conducted at a time determined by the National Team Managing Director, Technical Advisor, the swimmers, and the personal coaches of the swimmers. If the parties are unable to agree on a date and time for the swim-off, then the date and time will be established by the National Team Managing Director. If the initial swim-off fails to break the tie, this process will continue until the tie is broken. The swimmers will be assigned to their respective Priorities based on their finish in the swim-off(s). The swim-off results will only be used to determine places of those involved in the swim-off and may not be used to change the finish order otherwise determined at the Qualifying Competition (for example, the winner of the swim-off between the second and third place finishers at the Qualifying Competition may not use his/her time in the swim-off to move to Priority #1 if the swim-off time is better than the time of the winner of the Qualifying Competition).
- (b) Tie in Determining Selections to Team Involving Swimmers from Different Individual Olympic Events. In the instance where the application of Modified World Rankings is used to rank swimmers to be Selected to the Team (e.g. Sections 1.3.6 ((b)-(c)), and where the application of the Modified World Rankings results in a tie between two or more swimmers in different Individual Olympic Events for the final position(s) on the Team, the tie will be broken as follows:
  - (i) Each swimmer's fastest performance swum in his/her Individual Olympic Event at the Finals of the Qualifying Competition will be ranked according to the FINA Points Table, 2018. The swimmer who has the best ranking shall be Selected to the Team.
  - (ii) If this fails to break the tie, each swimmer's performance swum in his/her Individual Olympic Event at the Finals of the Qualifying Competition will be converted into a ratio, using the swimmer's Qualifying Competition time as the denominator, and the FINA-approved World Record for that Individual Olympic

Event as of July 20, 2018 as the numerator, and the swimmer(s) with the highest percentage shall be Selected to the final position(s) on the Team.

(iii) If this fails to break the tie, the fastest time swum by each swimmer in his/her Individual Olympic Event during the period from January 1, 2017 through July 29, 2018 will be ranked according to the Modified World Ranking lists, and the swimmer(s) will be Selected to the Team in order of the best ranking.

(iv) If this fails to break the tie, then the swimmer with the highest Modified World Ranking in an Individual Olympic Event, other than his/her Individual Olympic Event involved in the tie, shall be Selected to the Team (e.g. if a swimmer's results in the 100m freestyle are involved in the tie, then that swimmer's highest Modified World Ranking in an Individual Olympic Event other than the 100m freestyle shall be considered).

(v) If this fails to break the tie, each swimmer's fastest performance swum in an Individual Olympic Event at the Finals of the Qualifying Competition, other than the Individual Olympic Event that is the subject of the tie, will be ranked according to the FINA Points Table, 2018. The swimmer who has the best ranking shall be Selected to the Team. If only one swimmer involved in the tie swam a second Event at the Qualifying Competition, then that swimmer will be Selected to the Team.

Announcement. Those officially Selected to the Team will be announced on or before October 30, 2018.

#### 1.3.7 Selection of Swimmers for Events.

- (a) The two best finishing Available Swimmers in all Individual Olympic Events at the Qualifying Competition will be given the opportunity to swim the corresponding Individual Olympic Event at the Championships (for example, the top two 200m butterfly finishers at the Qualifying Competition will swim the 200m butterfly at the Championships), provided that (i) both swimmers have been Selected to the Team pursuant to the procedures set forth in this Section 1.3; and (ii) both swimmers remain eligible, under these Selection Procedures, through the completion of that Individual Olympic Event at the Championships.
- (b) If a Priority 2 swimmer fails to make the Team because the Team is full, then the swimmer already on the Team who has recorded the fastest time in that vacant Individual Olympic Event during the period from January 1, 2017 through July 29, 2018 will serve as the replacement in that Individual Olympic Event.
- (c) If there is a vacancy in an Individual Olympic Event that arises on or after June 3, 2019, the replacement process set forth in Section 4 will be used to fill the vacancy in that Individual Olympic Event.
- (d) Individual non-Olympic Event Swimmers. Swimmers will be selected for Individual Non-Olympic Events at the Championships (M/W 50 Butterfly, M/W 50 Backstroke, M/W 50 Breaststroke) via the following method (FISU rules state the U.S. is allowed two entries per Event):

- (i) Individual Non-Olympic Event Entries – The Event entry opportunities for the Individual Non-Olympic Events will be given to those athletes who have Selected to the Team as Priority #1 and Priority #2 in the Events listed below:

<u>First Offer to Those on Team In:</u>		<u>non-Olympic event</u>
Men's/Women's 100 Butterfly	for	Men's/Women's 50 Butterfly
Men's/Women's 100 Backstroke	for	Men's/Women's 50 Backstroke
Men's/Women's 100 Breaststroke	for	Men's/Women's 50 Breaststroke

- (ii) Unfilled Individual Non-Olympic Event Positions – Should one or more swimmers from one or more of these Individual Non-Olympic Events decline the opportunity to swim the Individual Non-Olympic Events, unfilled position(s) shall, after consultation between the swimmer and Head Coach and National Team Managing Director, be filled by the Team member(s) with the highest World Ranking in the applicable Individual Non-Olympic Event as of July 30, 2018. If vacant Individual Non-Olympic Event positions are still not filled, those positions shall be filled from among other swimmers already on the Team at the discretion of the Head Coach, in consultation with the assistant coaches and the National Team Managing Director.

## 2 DISCRETIONARY SELECTION

*2.1 Provide rationale for utilizing discretionary selection (if any):*

**All swimmers who are Selected to the Team shall be eligible for selection to any and all relays to be held at the Championships.** The Head Coach in consultation with the National Team Managing Director, Technical Advisor, and the assistant coaches, shall select the swimmers for each relay conducted at the Championships. In selecting the relay teams, the Head Coach, the National Team Managing Director, Technical Advisor, and assistant shall consider all available relevant information, including but not limited to each Team member's Qualifying Competition performances (including preliminary times, time trials, swim-offs and relay lead-off times), past relay performances, past relay reaction times, relay exchange experience, Championships performances, personal best performances, Championships event schedule individual workload, other recent results and performances, consistency of performances, fatigue, health, fitness levels, training preparation, participation in relay training camps, scientific evaluation, attitude and team chemistry.

*2.2 List the discretionary criteria and explain how they will be used (if any):*

See Section 2.1

*2.3 Provide the name of the committee that will be responsible for making discretionary selections, along with a complete list of the members' titles currently serving on the committee:*

See Section 2.1



*2.4 Specify the process that will be used to identify and handle any potential conflicts of interest involving a member of the committee:*

In regards to relay selection, If the National Team Managing Director, Technical Advisor, or any of the Head Coaches or assistant coaches has a possible conflict of interest, he/she must disclose it. However, if such individual has relevant and necessary information with respect to athlete performance, he/she may provide such information, so long as it is provided in a fair manner.

### **3 REMOVAL OF ATHLETES**

- 3.1 An athlete who is to be Selected to the Team by USA Swimming may be removed for any of the following reasons, as determined by USA Swimming's National Team Managing Director in conjunction with the Technical Advisor. An athlete who is to be removed from the Team or an Event or from eligibility to be Selected to the Team, pursuant to the following provisions, has the right to a hearing per the USA Swimming Bylaws ([usaswimming.org](http://usaswimming.org)), the USOC's Bylaws, Section 9, or the applicable anti-doping code/protocol before such removal or declaration of ineligibility.
- 3.1.1 An athlete may choose to voluntarily withdraw from an Event or the Team. The athlete must submit in writing any withdrawal to the National Team Managing Director. An athlete considering withdrawal is strongly encouraged to submit the written withdrawal by April 1, 2019.
- 3.1.2 USA Swimming may remove an athlete who has an injury or illness, as certified by the approved Championship team physician assigned to the sport of swimming, that is likely to keep him or her from competing at peak levels in the Championship. If an athlete refuses verification of his/her illness or injury by the approved Championship team physician assigned to the sport of swimming (or his/her medical staff), his/her injury will be assumed to keep him or her from competing at peak levels in the Championship, and he/she may be removed.
- 3.1.3 An athlete may be removed if the National Team Managing Director, and Technical Advisor, in consultation with the Head Coaches, the USA Swimming Steering Committee Chairman and the USA Swimming Athletes' Vice Chair, determine that the swimmer is unable or unwilling to maintain a training regimen that is necessary for peak performance in the Championship (Participation and Commitment Agreement, which will be made available prior to acceptance to the Team.)
- 3.1.4 Any swimmer may be dismissed from the Team at any time if the swimmer violates any of the applicable FISU, BTI Events, local organizing committee, USA Swimming or other rules and regulations applicable to the Team or its members, including without limitation applicable Codes of Conduct or Honor Codes.
- 3.1.5 If a swimmer is alleged to have committed an anti-doping rule violation, that swimmer shall remain on the Team (or remain eligible to be Selected to the Team) until: (i) the swimmer is provisionally suspended or declared ineligible after a hearing conducted pursuant to the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency Protocol for Olympic Movement Testing or by FINA; (ii) the swimmer voluntarily accepts a provisional

suspension or sanction of ineligibility; or (iii) the swimmer voluntarily withdraws from the Team or relinquishes eligibility to be Selected to the Team.

## 4 REPLACEMENT OF ATHLETES

*4.1 Describe the selection and approval process for determining replacement athlete(s) should a vacancy occur:*

*4.1.1. Adjustments to the Team and Events from the time of Selections to the Team through June 3, 2019:*

- (a) If there is a vacancy in an Event that occurs between selection to the Team and June 3, 2019, the next eligible Available Swimmer from the Qualifying Competition will be added to the Team, however, **no swimmer who is already on the Team may be taken off the Team as a result of the application of this procedure.**
- (b) Filling Vacant Event Positions with Team Vacancy.
  - (i) Filling Vacant Event Positions in All Individual Olympic Events Other Than 100m and 200m Freestyle.

For all Individual Olympic Events except the 100m or 200m Freestyle events, if the Team is not full (fewer than twenty-six (26) swimmers per gender) after a swimmer declines a position in an Individual Olympic Event for any reason, or Individual Olympic Event positions otherwise become vacant, then the vacancy in any such Individual Olympic Event(s) shall be filled by the next fastest Available Swimmer in that Individual Olympic Event. If the next fastest Available Swimmer is already on the Team, and he/she agrees after consulting with the Head Coach and National Team Managing Director to swim in the additional Individual Olympic Event, then he/she shall serve as the replacement in that Individual Olympic Event. If he/she declines to swim in the additional Individual Olympic Event, then he/she shall not be considered an Available Swimmer for that Individual Olympic Event, and the next fastest Available Swimmer will be considered. If the next Available Swimmer is not already on the Team, then that swimmer will be selected according to Section 1.3.3. If adding the next Available Swimmer from each Individual Olympic Event left vacant would cause the Team to exceed the maximum number (twenty-six (26) per gender), then those who qualify as the next fastest Available Swimmer in the Individual Olympic Events left vacant shall be ranked according to the procedure described in Section 1.3.6. Those ranked highest according to that procedure shall be added to the Team in order until the Team reaches twenty-six (26) per gender, and any remaining Individual Olympic Event vacancy will be filled from within the Team pursuant to Section 4.1.1(b)(iii) below.

- (ii) Filling Vacant Positions in 100m or 200m Freestyle with Team Vacancy.

If a vacancy occurs in the 100m or 200m Freestyle Individual Olympic Event, the next highest Available Swimmer already on the Team will compete in the Individual Olympic Event, provided that he/she meets any applicable requirements set forth in these Selection Procedures, and no additional swimmer will be added to the Team. If the vacancy occurs due to the withdrawal of a Relay-Only Swimmer, then a replacement will be selected according to the procedures set forth in Section 4.1.1(b)(v) below.

(iii) Filling Vacant Event Position with No Team Vacancy.

If the Team is still full (twenty-six [26] per gender) after the withdrawal from an Individual Olympic Event, the vacancy in any Individual Olympic Event(s) will be filled by an Available Swimmer already on the Team. First priority will be given to the next highest place finisher at the Qualifying Competition. If no swimmer already on the Team swam the Individual Olympic Event at the Qualifying Competition, then the Available Swimmer on the Team with the highest World Ranking in the Individual Olympic Event will be selected; provided, however, that the replacement swimmer must agree, after consulting with the Head Coach National Team Managing Director, and Technical Advisor, to compete in the additional Individual Olympic Event. If the replacement swimmer does not agree to swim in the additional Individual Olympic Event, then this process will repeat until the vacant Individual Olympic Event is filled.

(iv) Filling Individual Non-Olympic Events.

Should one or more swimmers decline the opportunity to swim the Individual Non-Olympic events, the unfilled position(s) shall, after consultation between the swimmer and Head Coach and National Team Managing Director, and the Technical Advisor, be filled by the existing Team member(s) who has swum the fastest time (and the second-fastest time if two positions in the individual non-Olympic event are to be filled) in such event from January 1, 2017 through and including July 29, 2018. If vacant Individual Non-Olympic event positions are still not filled, those positions shall be filled from among other swimmers already on the Team at the discretion of the Head Coach, in consultation with the assistant coaches, the National Team Managing Director and Technical Advisor.

(v) Relay-Only Swimmer vacancy.

If the vacancy occurs because a Relay-Only Swimmer is no longer on the Team or withdraws from a position in a relay event, then the following procedure will be used:

- (1) If there is a vacancy available for a Relay-Only Swimmer pursuant to Sections 1.3.1 and 1.3.4 above, then the next best finishing Available Swimmer from the Event in which the vacating swimmer qualified for the Team will be added to the Team. For example, if only five Relay-Only Swimmers were on the Team, and if the sixth-place finisher in the 100m freestyle were to leave the Team,

then the seventh-place finisher in the 100m freestyle would be added to the Team, provided that he/she is an Available Swimmer.

- (2) If there are no vacancies available for Relay-Only Swimmers pursuant to Sections 1.3.1 and 1.3.4 above, then no swimmers will be added to the Team.

*4.1.2. Adjustments to the Team and Events after submission of Entries by Name to the Local Organizing Committee:*

- (a) After June 3, 2019, no swimmers will be added to the Team, and the Available Swimmer already on the Team who has recorded the fastest time in a vacant Event during the period from January 1, 2018, through June 3, 2019 will serve as the replacement in that Event; provided, however, that the replacement must agree, after consulting with the Head Coach, National Team Managing Director and Technical Advisor, to compete in the vacant Event. If the replacement does not agree to swim in the vacant Event, then this process will repeat until the vacant Event is filled.

## **5. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

USA Swimming will retain the approved Selection Procedures and all supporting documents, including scouting or evaluation forms, etc., and data from the selection process for six months past the date of the conclusion of the Championships.

## **6. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS**

In addition to the USA Swimming Competition forms, the BTI forms and Academic Eligibility forms must be completed and signed by the athlete as a condition of entry to the Championships

## **7. PUBLICITY/DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEDURES**

The Selection Procedures (complete and unaltered) will be posted/published by USA Swimming in the following locations:

USA Swimming website

## **8. DATE OF SELECTION**

The Selection of Athletes form will be published on the USA Swimming website on or before October 30, 2018.

## **9. MANDATORY TRAINING AND/OR COMPETITION**

*Specify the location, schedule and duration of mandatory training and/or competition, subject to change:*

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Site</u>
Depart U.S.	June 30	Washington, DC
Opening Ceremonies	July 3	Naples, Italy
Competition	July 4-11	Naples, Italy
Return home	July 12	

## 10. ANTI-DOPING REQUIREMENTS

Athletes must adhere to all FISU, WADA, FINA, USADA and USOC anti-doping protocols, policies and procedures, as applicable. This includes participation in Out-of-Competition Testing as required by the FISU, WADA, FINA, and USADA Rules, as applicable.

## 11. USA SWIMMING BYLAWS AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

USA Swimming Bylaws and Grievance Procedures can be found at: [usaswimming.org](http://usaswimming.org)

## 12. DISCLAIMER

These procedures are based on FISU, local organizing committee and/or FINA rules and regulations, as applicable and as presently known and understood. Any change in the Selection Procedures caused by a change in FISU, local organizing committee and/or FINA rules and regulations will be distributed to the affected athletes immediately. The Selection Procedures are based on the latest information available to USA Swimming. However, the Selection Procedures are always subject to unforeseen, intervening circumstances, and realistically may not have accounted for every possible contingency.

If any force of nature, or force majeure, should cause the alteration or cancellation of any of the selection events listed in this document, these Selection Procedures will be revised.

The terms and conditions of these written Selection Procedures shall take priority over any verbal explanation, clarification or interpretation of the Selection Procedures, and an athlete relies on a verbal explanation, clarification or interpretation of these Selection Procedures at his or her sole risk. Any request or question that would involve a formal clarification or interpretation of these Selection Procedures, or that would address an issue not otherwise covered in these Selection Procedures, should be submitted to the National Team Managing Director at USA Swimming in writing by no later than June 1, 2018, and the response to such request by USA Swimming must be provided in writing and, where appropriate, must be published promptly on the USA Swimming website.

An athlete who is Selected to the Team by virtue of an error or oversight by USA Swimming may be removed from the Team at any time.

ATTACHMENT A

# USA SWIMMING

## 2019 WORLD UNIVERSITY GAMES PARTICIPATION AND COMMITMENT

I agree to abide by the World University Games USA Swimming Athlete Selection Procedures, World University Games camps(s) and competition requirements, competition protocols, the Honor Code and the USA Swimming Code of Conduct.

I agree to fully commit to a comprehensive training program designed for a competitive performance at the 2019 World University Games. If for any reason I become unable to fulfill this commitment, I will immediately notify the National Team Managing Director.

I understand that I may be removed from the 2019 World University Games if circumstances interfere with my preparation for peak performance.

I give USA Swimming National Team Division permission to give out my contact information for World University Games Staff use:

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

I give USA Swimming National Team Division permission to give out my contact information for internal USA Swimming Staff use: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Printed  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date

If under 18:

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