

## **SWIMMER AND COACH NOMINATION CRITERIA 2019 FISU Games (Summer Universiade) – Open Water**

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<b>Tour Dates:</b>	June 30 – July 12, 2019 tbc
<b>Competition Dates:</b>	July 11, 2019 tbc
<b>Location:</b>	Naples, ITA
<b>Team Size:</b>	Up to four swimmers (two male and two female 10km swimmers)
<b>Eligibility Notes:</b>	Swimmers who have not already been selected to the 18 <sup>th</sup> FINA World Championships Open Water and/or 2019 Pan Am Games Open Water are eligible for FISU Games. A detailed description of the eligibility rules and confirmation of eligibility forms will be posted by U SPORTS to: <a href="https://usports.ca/en/international/universiades/summer-2019">https://usports.ca/en/international/universiades/summer-2019</a>
<b>Age Eligibility:</b>	At least 17 and less than 25 years of age on January 1, 2019 Born between and including, January 1, 1994 and December 31, 2001
<b>Team Leader:</b>	The Swimming Canada National Development Coach will be appointed Team Leader
<b>Head Coach:</b>	The Open Water Head Coach will be appointed
<b>Nomination Event:</b>	2019 Canadian Open Water Swimming Trials, <b>Cayman Islands, Saturday April 27, 2019 (See: Appendix B)</b>
<b>Participant Fees:</b>	Swimmers are responsible to fund all costs associated with participation (see Appendix A) Swimming Canada will support and fund the following team staff: <i>Team Leader (1), Team Manager (1), Open Water Head Coach (1), IST Staff (up to two dependent on combined pool and open water FISU Games Team size)</i> All additional coaches will be responsible to fund all costs associated with their participation (see Appendix A)

*Note:*

1. *Nomination is subject to qualification requirements outlined by Fédération Internationale du Sport Universitaire (FISU) and U SPORTS. Swimming Canada will submit all nominations to U SPORTS and will be notified in May 2019 of acceptance of the nominees.*
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### **I. INTRODUCTION & OBJECTIVES**

The purpose of this document is to set out the criteria to be used by Swimming Canada to nominate Swimmers to U SPORTS for the 2019 FISU Games Open Water events. In addition, this document sets out the criteria to identify Coaches eligible to be appointed to the 2019 FISU Games Team. Swimming Canada supports the opportunity for eligible swimmers to represent Canada in the FISU Games. The objective is to identify those eligible swimmers who have the potential to achieve high performance results at an international multi-sport competitive opportunity. The experience is expected to enhance their developmental path toward international high performance.

### **II. GENERAL INFORMATION – Swimmers**



Only Swimmers identified by these criteria will be considered for nomination. The following conditions must be satisfied to be eligible to be nominated for the 2019 FISU Games Open Water Team:

1. A Swimmer must be eligible to represent Canada in accordance with the eligibility requirement rules set out by FINA ([GR 1](#)), Swimming Canada ([CGR 1.2.1](#)), the FISU requirements, and must hold a Canadian passport, which expires no earlier than January 12, 2020.
2. Be a student who is registered for and pursuing a full program of study leading towards a degree or diploma at a post-secondary institution.
  - a. Status must be authorized by a document from the registrar of the institution.
  - b. Post-secondary institutions include community colleges, professional schools, technical schools, C.E.G.E.P., and universities, in Canada or outside of Canada.
  - c. or Be a former student who has graduated from a post-secondary institution as a student in good standing, in the year preceding the event.
- \*Graduation must be authorized by a document from the registrar of the institution.
3. A Swimmer must declare him/herself available for nomination prior to the Nomination Event Meet Entry (**date TBD**) deadline using the form at the following [link](#). Any Swimmer who does not declare themselves eligible by this deadline may not be considered for nomination to this team.
4. Nominated Swimmers will be required to attend a FISU Games Team meeting at the conclusion of the Open Water Trials.
5. Nominated Swimmers must sign the 2019 Swimming Canada Athlete Agreement upon nomination and prior to May 1, 2019. Where the Swimmer is under the age of 18 years, the Swimmer's parent or guardian must also sign this Agreement. Copies of the Swimming Canada Athlete Agreement are available upon request to Swimming Canada.
6. A nominated Swimmer must submit, by May 20, 2019 either a completed FISU Academic Eligibility Form, a letter of acceptance for September 2019 from a university or similar institute whose status is recognized by the appropriate national academic authority, or a degree/diploma dated anytime in 2018 from a university or similar institute whose status is recognized by the appropriate national academic authority.
7. Where official results are required for tie breaking, results including A Finals, B Finals, preliminaries, and timed finals are eligible. Results from time trials or official splits in an individual or relay event are not eligible.
8. Nomination does not guarantee selection. Selection is subject to U SPORTS approval of the nomination.
9. If nomination is declined or not approved by U SPORTS the nominated performance of the Swimmer will be disregarded for the purpose of these Criteria.

### **III. NOMINATION CRITERIA – Swimmers**

#### **Priority 1 – 10k Individual Nomination**

After the Team selection/nomination processes have been completed for the 18<sup>th</sup> FINA World Championships and 2019 Pan Am Games, the next two finishing eligible male Swimmers and the next two finishing eligible female Swimmers will be nominated provided they finish less than ninety seconds behind the second place eligible Canadian finisher in their respective event. *(Second place eligible Canadian finisher refers to a swimmer who is eligible for selection/nomination to any of the three Teams being filled at the 2019 Canadian Open Water Swimming Trials)*

### **IV. TIE BREAKING – Swimmers**

1. Where there is a tie in the Swimmer nomination process, swimmer performances from sanctioned competitions, between July 1 2018 and April 15, 2019, in the respective event (male 1500m LC /female 1500m LC) will be used in rank order to break the tie. Should a tie still exist, the Swimming Canada Selection Committee and the Swimming Canada High Performance Director shall then have full discretion to determine a tie breaking method, which they will apply.



## **V. COMPETITIVE READINESS - Swimmers**

1. “Competitive readiness” is defined as the ability of the Swimmer to achieve equal or superior performance(s) at the scheduled event, as compared to the performance(s) the Swimmer achieved in qualifying.
2. Swimmers who do not remain competitively ready by reason of lack of fitness, injury, or illness may be removed from the team. Swimmers and their personal coaches are required to immediately report any injury, illness or change in training that could affect their ability to compete at their highest level at the 2019 FISU Games, to Swimming Canada’s High Performance Director and the Team Leader in writing via email.
3. The High Performance Director and the Team Leader will make the final decision on competitive readiness in concert once nomination process is completed. These two individuals will have absolute discretion about which factors they will consider in making their final decision.
4. In the case of injuries or illnesses, the High Performance Director and the Team Leader will consider recommendations made by the National Team Physician in making their final decision.
5. Injured or ill Swimmers may be subject to a proof of readiness test to be determined by the High Performance Director and the Team Leader in consultation with the Swimmer’s personal Coach. This test will consist of a controlled performance such as a competition or observed test or time trial. These Swimmers will not travel with the team until this requirement has been satisfied. If it is determined that the Swimmer is not competitively ready once onsite at the event, he or she may be asked to return home immediately.

## **VI. REMOVAL OF A SWIMMER FROM TEAM**

1. Swimming Canada may, at any time, disqualify a Swimmer from being considered for nomination to the Canadian Team or remove a Swimmer after nomination based on current or past behavior of the Swimmer that is inconsistent with Swimming Canada’s Code of Conduct. A copy of this document is available upon request to Swimming Canada.
2. A Swimmer will be removed from being considered for nomination to the Canadian Team or be removed after selection if he/she is found to be in violation of any anti-doping policy or procedure as outlined by Swimming Canada, World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA), and the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport (CCES).

## **VII. GENERAL INFORMATION – Coaches**

1. To be eligible for appointment a Coach must:
  - a. have been resident in Canada and duly employed as a swimming coach by a Swimming Canada affiliated organization for 90 days prior to the first day of the Nomination Event
  - b. be a fully registered coach and member in good standing with the CSCTA and Swimming Canada as of October 15, 2018
  - c. have full NCCP Level 3 certification, or the equivalent in the new NCCP to at least NCCP Competition – Development status, is require for all coaches representing Team Canada at the Summer Universiades
  - d. provide a valid Police Record Check (PRC) to Swimming Canada
  - e. declare him/herself available for appointment prior to the Nomination Event Meet Entry deadline (date TBD) using the form at the following [link](#). Any Coach who does not declare him/herself eligible and available for appointment by this deadline may not be considered to be appointed as a coach for this event



- f. hold a passport that can be used for travel to Italy and which expires no earlier than January 12, 2020
  - g. abide by the CADP Agreement and WADA Code and have never had a violation of either the CADP or WADA code
- 2. All Coaches identified by these criteria must be a registered member of the Professional Coaching Department of the Coaching Association of Canada on or before May 31, 2019 either as a Chartered Professional Coach or as a Registered Coach.
  - 3. All Coaches identified by these criteria must agree with and sign the 2019 Swimming Canada Team Staff Agreement and FISU Team Agreement. Copies of the Team Staff Agreement are available upon request to Swimming Canada. Failure to do so will render the Coach as having officially declined selection, or nomination for selection.

#### **VIII. APPOINTMENT – Coaches**

- 1. The Swimming Canada High Performance Director has the authority and sole discretion to appoint the Open Water Head Coach to the 2019 FISU Games Team.

#### **IX. AMENDMENTS AND UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES**

##### **Unforeseen Circumstances**

- 1. Should the Swimming Canada Selection Committee determine that unforeseen or unusual circumstances have arisen during the process of applying these Criteria, the Selection Committee shall have the full and absolute discretion to resolve the matter as it sees fit, taking into account factors and circumstances that it deems relevant.
- 2. Any such exercise of discretion shall be subject to the Canadian administrative law principles of fairness.

##### **Changes to this Document**

- 3. Swimming Canada reserves the right to make changes to this document, which in its discretion are necessary. No such changes shall be made after the commencement of the Nomination Events unless the changes relate to the Swimming Canada Selection Committee exercising its discretion under the “Unforeseen Circumstances” provisions above.
- 4. Swimming Canada reserves the right to review and modify these Criteria or a decision related to the nomination process in the case of rule or policy changes from FINA, or qualification changes from FISU/U SPORTS which affect the criteria set out in this document.
- 5. Any changes to these Criteria shall be communicated directly to all Swimming Canada Carded Swimmers and Coaches, and Swimmers/Coaches who declared themselves eligible for nomination and published to the Swimming Canada website forthwith.

#### **X. APPEALS**

- 1. The Swimming Canada “Complaints, Disciplinary Action and Dispute Resolution Policy” and the Swimming Canada “Appeals Policy” govern all decisions made by Swimming Canada, including issues pertaining to selection. For a copy of these policies please contact Swimming Canada or refer to the following link: <https://www.swimming.ca/en/resources/board-governance/board-policies/>



*These criteria were duly created and approved by the Swimming Canada Selection Committee, which by its terms of reference have been properly delegated to perform this task by the Chief Executive Officer of Swimming Canada.*

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**See Appendices A and B below**



## APPENDIX 'A'

U SPORTS eligibility rules and information: <https://usports.ca/en/international/universiades>

2019 FISU Summer Universiade		
Expense Item	Details	Estimated Costs (CAD)
Flight	Return Flight to Naples, Italy ** inclusive of travel / medical insurance	\$1500 - \$1800
Participation	Inclusive of accommodations, meals, ground transportation, medical and mission staff support, Team Canada Kit, FISU Entry / Registration Fee, Operations / admin, on-site logistics and team activities	\$2850

\*Note these are estimated costs

## APPENDIX 'B'

### CANADIAN OPEN WATER SWIMMING TRIALS

Swimming Canada is pleased to announce a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has been signed with the Cayman Islands Aquatic Sports Association for the delivery of the 2019 Canadian Open Water Trials.

The Canadian Open Water Trials are to be held in the Cayman Islands on Saturday, April 27, 2019, with a rain date of Sunday, April 28, 2019.

#### EVENT DETAILS

Date: Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019 (backup date: Sunday April 28<sup>th</sup>)  
 Pre-event training: April 24 – 26, 2019  
 Entry Deadline: Monday, April 15, 2019  
 Check-in: 5:30 AM with medical check  
 Race: 7:00 AM Men's Start & 7:10 AM Women's Start  
 Course: 10km (6 x 1.66 loop); Start and Finish at Governors Square

A full technical package will now be finalized and circulated in the coming month.