# 2025 Open Water National Team

**Selection Summary** 



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\*Team will be announced by September 1, 2025

## **Performance Criteria**

USA Swimming will name up to 6 men and 6 women to the 2025 USA Swimming Open Water National Team using the following Priorities:

- Priority #1- Athletes who are named to the 2025 USA Swimming Open Water World Championships Team.
- Priority #2 Remaining open positions will be filled by the best finishing U.S.¹ athletes not already on the team from the 2025 USA Swimming 10K Open Water National Championships (held in Sarasota, Florida on April 4, 2025), until the Team is full (i.e., 6 men and 6 women). If there is a tie for the last spot(s) on the Team, USA Swimming will select all athletes in the tie, even if the Team then exceeds the maximum of 6 men and/or 6 women.
  - Athletes qualifying from Priority #2 must finish the 10K within 10 minutes of the firstplace swimmer's finishing time at the 10K Open Water National Championships.
  - Additionally, athletes qualifying from Priority #2 must achieve or have achieved a 2024 Olympic Trials Time Standard in the 1500 LCM Freestyle during the period of November 30, 2022, through August 31, 2025, as entered in USA Swimming's SWIMS database as of 11:59pm MT on August 31, 2025. If an athlete qualifies from Priority #2 but does not have the 1500 LCM Time Standard in this time period, then USA Swimming will select the next best finishing U.S. athlete in the 10K.
  - If there are not enough athletes that meet these limitations for USA Swimming to select a full Team of 6 men and/or 6 women, USA Swimming will not select a full Team.

### 1500 LCM Freestyle Time Standard

Men- 15:39.89 Women- 16:45.69

#### **General Criteria**

Athletes must be registered USA Swimming members in good standing at the time of the qualifying competition, at the time of selection, and throughout their term on the National Team. An athlete may be suspended from the National Team if they do not remain in good standing, including membership requirements and adherence to the SafeSport Code for the U.S. Olympic & Paralympic Movement, the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency Protocol, the World Anti-Doping Agency's Code, and any USA Swimming, U.S. Olympic & Paralympic Committee, World Aquatics, or International Olympic Committee rules and regulations. If an athlete who has qualified for, but has subsequently been suspended from, the National

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For purposes of these Selection Procedures, "U.S athletes" mean athletes who are eligible to represent the U.S. in international competition as April 4, 2025, at the time of selection, and throughout their time on the National Team.

Team is reinstated, or their suspension is reduced, by a court or body with competent jurisdiction such that the athlete becomes eligible during all or a portion of the term of the 2025 National Team, their National Team suspension will be lifted, in accordance with the order from the court or body. If an athlete who was otherwise eligible for selection to the National Team but was not in good standing at the time of selection due to any type of suspension or ineligibility determination, and the suspension or ineligibility determination is later overturned or reduced by a court or body with competent jurisdiction during the term of the 2025 National Team such that the athlete would have been eligible at the time of selection to the National Team, the athlete will be added to the team, in accordance with the order from the court or body. In any of the above scenarios where an athlete is added or reinstated to the National Team, no athlete will be removed as a result of that addition.

- Athletes must be eligible to represent the U.S. in international competition at the time of selection and throughout their time on the National Team Roster. If an athlete changes their sport nationally and is no longer eligible to represent the United States in international competition, they will be removed from the National Team and will not be replaced.
- Athletes aged 18 and over must apply for a USA Swimming criminal background screen within five days of being named to the National Team (or of turning 18 if this occurs during an athlete's tenure on the National Team) and must satisfactorily pass the background screen within 30 days.