



# Regional Relay Selection Policy

**Eligibility Criteria:** Swimmer must have entered, at least, one (1) individual event

Clubs are to supply the designated Otago Selector a listing of their available swimmers two (2) days to meet close of date advised on the published meet flyer

**Selection Criteria:** The selector must thoroughly read the relay entry criteria for the meet involved and make sure the relay teams comply with the required criteria

Consideration of selection will be based on recent top times, relay experience and past relay performance

Normally only one Relay team per relay event will be entered. This is so swimmers constantly have to vie for the right to swim in Otago relays. Further teams maybe selected where the time differential from the top team is within an appropriate time difference which would make the team competitive at the meet.

Consideration can be given to swimming swimmers up an age group if there is a lack of swimmers in an age group or if a younger swimmer will make the relay team faster than a team in that age group.

**Entry Process:** The designated Otago selector will select relay teams and process relay entries, including Swimmer's names, for all National and Regional Meets through the SNZ Database by the close off date advised on the meet flyer

**Announcement:** Relay Team/s will be announced at the commencement of each morning session of the meet by the Otago Regional Manager

**At the Meet:** Otago Regional Manager (ORM) will liaise with the Club Coaches to confirm availability of Swimmers selected or to change the swimmers selected, based on the Selection Criteria.

Otago Regional Manager may change the team members and/or alter the swimming order after considering meet performances. These changes may be made in consultation with an Otago Selector, if one is available

Club Managers or Coaches may discuss the makeup of the team and the swimming order and may request any changes considered to improve the team performance

It is the responsibility of Club Managers or Coaches to notify their Swimmers of selection and any changes

Otago Swim Caps will be issued upon announcement of the relay team. Remember there is one (1) swim cap issued per season, otherwise there is an incurred cost of \$10.00 each

The final decision as to who participates in the Otago Regional Relay Teams rests with the ORM