

INVITATION

To: II-1 (S14), II-2 (S18) and II-3 (S19) Swimmers
From: Oceania Asia Games Australian Team Coordinator
CC: Robyn Smith – Sport Inclusion Australia
Adam Pine, Melissa Wilson – Swimming Australia (SA)
Date: 23 March 2022
Subject: Virtua Oceania Asia Games, Brisbane 2022 - Expression of Interest

Event Outline

The Virtus Oceania Asia Games is being held on home soil, Brisbane, Australia **5 -11 November 2022**. Sport Inclusion Australia is working in partnership with Swimming Australia to coordinate the Australian Team. This event will feature 12 different sports (Athletics, Badminton, Basketball, Cycling, Equestrian, Judo, Rowing, Swimming, Table Tennis, Taekwondo, Tennis and Triathlon). The swimming component will be held at Chandler pool, Sleeman Complex from 5 - 11 November. The event is sanctioned by World Para Swimming (WPS) and will provide international classification opportunities for selected swimmers.

Expression of Interest Criteria

This invitation is extended to you by Sport Inclusion Australia and Swimming Australia based on you meeting the following criteria;

- a) You are a registered, financial member in good standing of a Swimming Australia affiliated swim club; and
- b) You expect to meet the performance standards outlined in the attached Selection Policy; and
- c) Hold current Virtus II-1 (S14), II-2 (S18), II-3 (S19) eligibility.

In order to be selected you must be willing to cover costs of your participation as outlined below.

Eligibility

It is important that if you don't have an Virtus Eligibility number, that you start the process as soon as possible. The forms can be downloaded <https://sportinclusionaustralia.org.au/eligibility/> (II-1, II-2 and II-3).

WPS International Classification

Classification will be offered at this competition for S14 swimmers. Selected swimmers will be chosen by SAL to complete international classification. Swimmers will be notified by SAL after the team is selected. For any enquiries relating to WPS international S14 classification email melissa.wilson@swimming.org.au.

Costs

The cost for athletes will be \$3,000 – \$3,500 (depending on final details), this includes:

- Uniform
- Transport
- All Meals
- INAS Levy
- Accommodation
- Insurance
- Entry Fees
- Staff and Administration contribution



Athletes will need some spending money for snacks, merchandise and some sightseeing. All other costs whilst in Brisbane are covered by the Games organisers.

If you would like to compete, please complete the attached Expression of Interest form and return to Games Coordinator no later than:

COB FRIDAY MAY 9 2022.

If you require further information please contact the Oceania Asia Games Coordinator on ggcoordinator@sportinclusionaustralia.org.au.

Thank you
Tracy Lawrence

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Oceania Asia Games
Brisbane, Australia
5-11 November 2022

To **Tracy Lawrence**
Oceania Asia Games Australian Team Coordinator
Sport Inclusion Australia

I am interested in competing in the Australian Global Games team to compete at the Virtus Oceania Asia Games in Brisbane, Australia from 5 – 11 November 2022.

Signed Date

Name

Address

Suburb..... Post Code

State

Email address

Telephone Contact

Please send to Sport Inclusion Australia as soon as possible on either:

Email: ggcoordinator@sportinclusionaustralia.org.au

Post: 4 Lowry Place, Benalla VIC 3672

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Selection Policy

1) Background

- a) For the purposes of this Selection Policy:
 - i) the Team is the **Australian Oceania Asia Games Swim Team** for the Virtus Oceania Asia Games
 - ii) the Competition is the **Virtus Oceania Asia Games**;
 - iii) the Competition will take place on **5 – 11 November 2022** in **Brisbane, Australia**;
 - iv) For II-1 (S14) swimmers the priority **Selection Meets** are **2022 Australian Age Championships, 2022 Australian Swimming Championships - MC, 2022 Para Grand Prix**; and
 - v) For II-2 and II-3 swimmers there are no Selection meets but the **Selection Period** is **1 October 2021 to 13 June 2022**.
- b) This Selection Policy details the process and criteria by which SIA will select athletes to the Team to compete at the Competition.

2) Team composition and size

- a) When selecting the Team, SIA will select the Team in accordance with this Selection Policy.
- b) The final composition of the Team is to be determined by SIA with advice from SA.
- c) SIA under advice from SA reserve the right to add additional athletes to the Team for the express purpose of attending WPS classification, to support SA High Performance objectives or in other extenuating circumstance not covered by these selection criteria.
- d) SIA is not required to select the maximum number of athletes.

3) Athlete Selection Process and Criteria

Eligibility for selection

- a) To be eligible for selection swimmers must meet the following criteria;
 - i) You are an Australian citizen; and
 - ii) You are a registered, financial member in good standing of SIA and Virtus; and
 - iii) You are a registered, financial member in good standing of a SAL affiliated swim club; and
 - iv) Hold a current Virtus International II-1 (S14), II-2 (S18) or II-3 (S19) eligibility.
- b) In addition, to be selected you must be willing to meet the costs of your participation as outlined in the attached EOI.

II-1 (S14) Criteria – Individual Events

- c) II-1 (S14) athletes must achieve a performance (swimming time) that is:
 - i) achieved at one or more of the Selection Meets; or
 - ii) if unable to attend Selection meets due to extenuating circumstances a performance achieved in any long course event from 1 October 2021– 13 June 2022 where results appear on SA results database; and
 - iii) equals or betters the Qualifying Time for that event listed in Appendix 1.
- d) If the number of qualifying athletes is greater than the event entry limits a ranking system will be applied to select the athletes. The number of top ranked athletes equal to the team size and composition limits will be selected. (See item 4 for details.)
- e) If no athlete equals or betters the SIA Qualifying Time for a specific individual event, then no athlete will be selected to the Team based purely on that specific Individual event. However, athletes selected to the Team for other Individual swimming events may be selected to compete in specific individual swimming event, subject to that athlete having met any applicable Oceania Asia Games minimum entry requirements.

II-2 and II-3 Criteria – Individual Events

- f) II-2 and II-3 athletes must achieve a performance (swimming time) that is:
 - i) achieved during the Selection Period; and
 - ii) achieved in any long course event at a SA approved competition; and
 - iii) equals or betters the Qualifying Time for that event listed in Appendix 1.
- g) If the number of qualifying athletes is greater than the event entry limits SIA at its sole discretion will select the athletes.
- h) If no athlete equals or betters the SIA Qualifying Time for a specific individual event, then no athlete will be selected to the Team based purely on that specific Individual event. However, athletes selected to the Team for other Individual swimming events may be selected to compete in specific individual swimming event, subject to that athlete having met any applicable Oceania Asia Games minimum entry requirements.

Criteria – Relay Events

- i) No relay swimmers will be selected for this Team.

4) Ranking System

The World Para Swimming three-per-nation world-ranking system (excluding Australians) operate as follows.

- a) The Ranking System is used to give each Athlete a ranking against each other athlete. It allows athletes who compete in different events to be compared by determining who has a higher ranking in their particular event.
- b) When ranking athletes, their time swum in the final of the applicable individual event at the Qualifying Event is used.
- c) That athlete's time is ranked against everyone in the world (except Australians) for the previous full calendar year for that event.
- d) The three-per-nation limit means that a maximum of three from a country can be ranked ahead of an athlete. For example, if an athlete is ranked 5th in the world based on the times considered at item 11 above, but athletes 1-4 are all from the USA, that athlete's ranking will be 4 (not 5). That athlete will then have their world ranking for that event (Event Rank).
- e) Where material to a selection, each athlete is ranked in this manner and given their Event Rank. The Event Rank of each athlete is then compared with all athletes (with the lower number for an Event Rank being the best) so that each athlete has a ranking.
- f) The athletes selected to the Team will be the number of athletes, in order of Ranking, that are equal to the number of positions to be filled. For example, if there were six positions to be filled, the top six-ranked athletes are selected to the Team.
- g) Where two or more athletes have the same Event Rank, and that Event Rank is material to selection to the Team (for example if the number of positions to be filled is 10 and athletes with a Priority Ranking of 9-11 had the same Event Rank), then the Multi-Class Point Score is used to separate them in accordance with the Selection Policy.
- h) If the tied athletes remain tied, then SIA will select the athlete(s) to the Team from the tied athletes at its absolute discretion.

Appendix 1 - Qualifying Times

Men		Events	Women	
II2 and II3	II1	FREESTYLE	II1	II2 and II3
00:41.00	00:34.00	50	00:37.00	00:47.00
01:28.00	01:15.00	100	01:20.00	01:40.00
03:12.00	02:42.00	200	02:52.00	03:40.00
07:00.00	06:00.00	400	06:26.00	07:50.00
14:19.00	12:24.00	800	15:15.00	16:00.00
26:30.00	23:10.00	1500	30:00.00	31:20.00
BREASTSTROKE				
00:52.00	00:44.00	50	00:50.00	00:56.00
01:54.00	01:38.00	100	01:55.00	02:00.00
04:00.00	03:30.00	200	03:58.00	04:30.00
BACKSTROKE				
00:45.00	00:40.00	50	00:48.00	00:59.00
01:42.00	01:26.00	100	01:40.00	02:03.00
03:40.00	03:14.00	200	03:55.00	04:15.00
BUTTERFLY				
00:45.00	00:35.00	50	00:48.00	01:00.00
01:35.00	01:26.00	100	01:44.00	02:08.00
03:40.00	03:00.00	200	03:52.00	04:22.00
MEDLEY				
03:40.00	03:05.00	200	03:35.00	04:00.00
07:30.00	06:12.00	400	07:20.00	08:35.00