



South Australian Sports Institute

SASI Swimming Program

Selection Criteria 2011

1 June 2011 – 30 April 2012

PART A – SASI Athlete Selection Criteria

PART B – SASI Swimming Specific Selection Criteria

PART C – Swimming Australia National Squad Athlete Selection Criteria

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SASI SQUAD SELECTION POLICY

APPLICABLE TO ALL SASI SPORTS PROGRAMS AND ATHLETES

1. ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for a SASI Scholarship:

- Athletes must be a citizen of Australia (or undertaking all reasonable steps to become an Australian citizen).
- Athletes must be a resident of South Australia for 3 months prior to selection.
- Athletes must be a registered athlete with the relevant South Australian State Sporting Organisation.
- Athletes must comply with the relevant sports interstate transfer policies.

Note:

- This eligibility requirement does not include athletes who will continue to be supported interstate or overseas if relocation to these areas is supported by the SASI Head Coach¹ as part of their development pathway (eg AIS, National Squads, etc).*
- Eligibility does not apply to visiting scholarships, ie athletes from other SIS/SAS programs.*

2. SELECTIONS

- Selections for SASI Squad programs will be conducted in consultation with State and National Sporting Organisations, and endorsed by the SASI Joint Management Committee (JMC).
- Selections for SASI Squad programs will be determined by a Selection Panel, which must include the SASI Head Coach¹.
- Sport specific selection criteria will be developed by the SASI Head Coach¹ and the Selection Panel, and will take into account any national criteria as part of the National High Performance Pathway.
- Scholarships can be offered as full or associate and will, as a principle, cover a 12 month period. Shorter periods may be offered (eg. 1 – 3 month trial). Reviews may be conducted by the Selection Panel and SASI reserve the right to add or delete athletes to/from a scholarship squad at any time.

3. ATHLETE OBLIGATIONS

All athletes who have been selected in the SASI Squad program must:

- Have the intention to compete and/or be involved in active training (including injury recovery and rehabilitation);

¹In the absence of a SASI Head Coach the Program Manager/Coordinator will fulfil this role

- Abide by the terms and conditions as outlined in the SASI Athlete Agreement and other SASI policies;
- Have met the sport specific selection criteria, or be selected as a developing potential elite athlete as determined by the appointed Selection Panel.

4. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

Achieving the nominated selection criteria does not automatically qualify the athlete for SASI Squad selection. Other factors that may be taken into consideration when determining final selections are:

- Whether the athlete has been charged with and/or convicted of a criminal offence;
- Whether the athlete has previously breached their Athlete Agreement or other SASI policies, as outlined in the SASI Athlete Agreement and the SASI Athlete Behaviour and Discipline Policy;
- Whether the athlete has previously behaved in a manner that has brought or has the capacity to bring SASI into disrepute;
- Where it has been clearly demonstrated, based on previous behaviour or information, that the athlete has the capacity to bring SASI into disrepute;
- Whether the athlete has been de-registered, suspended or denied membership with either their State or National Sporting Organisation;
- Where the Selection Panel determines that, notwithstanding achievement of the selection criteria, the athlete does not demonstrate the ability to progress to Australian representation at Junior and / or Senior level.

5. QUERIES ON SELECTION

- The SASI Program Manager or the SASI Head Coach¹, are the only officers authorised by SASI to respond to any questions concerning the athletes selected for SASI Squads, in accordance with this Selection policy and the sport specific selection policy.
- All questions concerning any aspect of selection must be in writing and addressed to the SASI Program Manager, or the SASI Head Coach¹, for consideration by the Selection Panel.

SASI Swimming Program Selection Criteria 2011 (1 June 2011 – 30 April 2012)

1. Eligibility

- Scholarship qualifying events include Olympic events only, unless additional events are included in the major international long course meet for the year. *Only athletes who are selected on the Australian Team for these additional events will be considered for scholarship.*
- Swimmers must be in full-time training and coached by a nationally accredited coach.
- 'Eligibility' does not necessarily guarantee a SASI scholarship offer. This will be dependant on the number of scholarships available and athletes will be ranked on performance and potential and will need to gain the necessary approval by the Joint Management Committee.
- Swimmers are eligible for a SASI Tier 4 Scholarship if 24 years or younger as at the first day of 2011 Australian National Championships.

2. SASI Swimming Scholarship Tiers

SASI Swimming Scholarships will be offered under the following tiers:

SASI TIER	NOMENCLATURE
ELITE – NATIONAL SQUAD	
Tier 1	
- Gold	World Class
- Silver	International
- Bronze	Developing International
SASI DEVELOPMENT	
Tier 2	Developing International
Tier 3	Potential International
Tier 4	Potential International
OPEN WATER – NATIONAL TEAM	

3. SASI Elite Scholarship – Tier 1

Swimmers selected on a Swimming Australia National Gold, Silver or Bronze Squad that meet the SAL performance requirements outlined in the attached Swimming Australia Athlete Selection Criteria. Swimmers must achieve these times at the 2011 Australian Swimming Championships.

4. SASI Development Scholarship - Tier 2 to 4

Swimmers who achieve a time equal to or faster than times for Development level, Tiers 2 – 4 as per the attached table are eligible for a *SASI Development level scholarship*. Athletes can move up through the tiers if a qualifying time is met at a major international long course meet during the scholarship period and subject to endorsement by the selection panel.

- o **Tier 2** - times are based on the average 4th place time at the Australian Championships for the previous four years, except the 100m and 200m Freestyle where the average 6th place time is used.
- o **Tier 3** – times are based on the average 6th place time at the Australian Championships for the previous four years, except the 100m and 200m Freestyle where the average 8th place time is used.
- o **Tier 4** – times are based on either the average 8th place time at the Australian Championships for the previous four years, or the time required to make the final, resulting in the time selected being the faster of the two. Except the 100m and 200m Freestyle where the average 10th place time is used.

Swimmers must achieve these times at any of the following events:

- 2011 Australian Swimming Championships
- 2011 Australian Age Championships

5. Open Water Athletes

Swimmers selected on the National Team for the major Open Water international competition for the year in the 10km event will be eligible for a SASI Open Water Swimming scholarship. The level of this scholarship and support will be at the discretion of the Joint Management Committee.

6. Form Stroke 50s and Reverse 800/1500 Freestyle

These events will only be considered if the major international long course meet for the year has these included. Only athletes who are selected on the National Team for these events will be considered for a scholarship.

7. Number of athletes

The SASI Swimming program will have a maximum of 10 athletes. If more than 10 athletes meet the selection criteria athletes will be ranked according to the 2011 FINA Point Score table and the top 10 athletes selected.

8. Additions to SASI Swimming Program

Swimmers may be added to the SASI squad under special circumstances. The decision for this would be at the discretion of the Joint Management Committee.

- Swimmers who make the senior National Team for a major international long course meet i.e., Olympic Games, World Championships, Pan Pacs and Commonwealth Games, in an Olympic event, who are not currently an Elite level scholarship holder will be up-graded to this level.
- Swimmers who achieve a qualifying time at a meet other than the major long course championship may be considered for addition to the program. This will

depend on the number of athletes in the program and support will be at the discretion of the Joint Management Committee.

- Qualified swimmers who move to South Australia from interstate will be considered for addition to the program. Swimmers who are current National Squad members will be eligible for immediate addition to the program, irrespective of the number already on scholarship.

9. Scholarship retention:

- Athletes are expected to progress within the tiering of scholarships and have a maximum of two years on a Tier 4 level scholarship.
- Athletes who re-qualify at a lower scholarship level than the one they are currently on or swim a slower time than the previous year, recorded at the Australian Championships (Open or Age) are not guaranteed re-selection. Retention of scholarships in these instances will be at the discretion of the Joint Management Committee.
- There will be performance and scholarship reviews every 6 months and scholarships may be terminated or down graded at the discretion of the Joint Management Committee. Athletes may also be added at this time, being at the discretion of the Joint Management Committee.



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SASI Swimming Program - 2011 Selection Times

Men

Scholarship Level / Event	50 FS	100 FS	200 FS	400 FS	1500 FS	100 BK	200 BK	100 BS	200 BS	100 BF	200 BF	200 IM	400 IM
SASI Elite – Tier 1*	Athletes selected on the Australian National Squads – Gold, Silver, Bronze												
SASI Development – Tier 2	0:22.49	0:49.71	1:48.62	3:51.53	15:28.23	0:55.14	2:01.32	1:02.75	2:14.58	0:52.93	1:59.27	2:02.69	4:24.92
SASI Development – Tier 3	0:22.68	0:50.20	1:49.84	3:53.56	15:37.00	0:55.76	2:02.79	1:03.33	2:16.46	0:53.53	2:01.08	2:04.70	4:27.24
SASI Development – Tier 4	0:22.90	***	1:50.39	3:58.32	15:49.90	0:56.80	2:05.17	1:04.45	2:21.10	0:53.96	2:02.46	2:05.91	4:29.21

Women

Scholarship Level / Event	50 FS	100 FS	200 FS	400 FS	800 FS	100 BK	200 BK	100 BS	200 BS	100 BF	200 BF	200 IM	400 IM
SASI Elite – Tier 1*	Athletes selected on the Australian National Squads – Gold, Silver, Bronze												
SASI Development – Tier 2	**	0:55.39	1:59.00	**	8:40.86	1:01.65	2:12.13	**	2:30.14	**	2:11.91	2:15.66	4:47.09
SASI Development – Tier 3	0:25.60	0:55.74	2:00.59	4:15.01	8:46.02	1:02.23	2:15.82	1:10.02	2:31.82	1:00.42	2:14.44	2:17.02	4:50.78
SASI Development – Tier 4	0:25.84	0:55.87	2:00.80	4:21.78	8:53.88	1:03.41	2:17.28	1:11.00	2:35.29	1:02.22	2:16.43	2:19.50	4:54.11

*SASI Elite – Tier 1, as per Swimming Australia's 2011 National Squad Athlete Selection Criteria

**SASI Development – Tier 2, these events are equivalent or faster than the selection time for Tier 1

***No Tier 4 selection time as 10th average is faster than Tier 3 selection time

Selection events include – 2011 Australian Swimming Championships and 2011 Australian Age Championships

2011 Swimming Australia National Squad Athlete Selection Criteria

Selection Events

- 2011 Australian OWS Championships – Sydney, 5-6 March 2011
- 2011 Telstra Australian Championships - Sydney, 1-8 April 2011

Eligibility

To be eligible for selection as a member of the Swimming Australian National Gold, Silver or Bronze Squad, the swimmer must be an Australian Citizen who is eligible to represent Australia according to the rules of FINA and is currently a registered member of Swimming Australia of good standing.

Performance requirements

Gold Squad Member

- Top 8 in the World in Olympic events for the Pool (based on 2010 FINA 2 per nation world rankings)
- Top 4 in the World in Relay events (based on 2010 FINA 1 per nation world rankings) as outlined below;
 - **Freestyle Relays** - The 6 highest ranked swimmers in the final of the 100m or 200m Freestyle events provided the total time of the first 3 plus fourth or fifth or sixth, less 1.5 seconds, is equal to or faster than the 4th world ranked time.
 - **Medley Relay** - The first placed finisher in the final of the 100m Backstroke, Butterfly, Breaststroke and Freestyle events, plus a maximum of 2 additional swimmers of differing strokes who when substituted into the team produce the next 2 highest combined times less 1.5 seconds which are equal to or faster than the 4th world ranked time.
- Top 3 in the World (based on 2010 IPC Swimming 3 per nation world rankings)
- Be the first or second available finisher in the Open Men's and Open Women's 10km event at the 2011 Australian Open Water Championships

Silver Squad Member

- Athletes ranked 9-16 in the World in Olympic events for the Pool (based on 2010 FINA 2 per nation world rankings)
- Athletes ranked 4-5 in the World (based on 2010 IPC Swimming 3 per nation world rankings)
- All other athletes selected on the Australian Swim Team for the 2011 FINA World OWS Championships Team

Bronze Squad Member

- Athletes ranked 17-25 in the World in Olympic events for the Pool (based on 2010 FINA 2 per nation world rankings)
- Athletes ranked 6-10 in the World (based on 2010 IPC Swimming 3 per nation world rankings) provided they meet the minimum Multi Class Points score (MCPS) listed below;
 - S1-5 – 450 points
 - S6-14 – 600 points
 - S15-16 – 800 points
- Be the third, fourth, fifth or sixth placed available finisher in the Open Men's and Open Women's 10km event at the 2011 Australian Open Water Championships