

2024 AUSTRALIAN OPEN WATER SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS OPEN & AGE QUALIFYING TIMES AND PROCEDURES

Further instructions outlining how to enter will be provided in the Information Book at a later date.

AGE

Age for all events is as at 31 December 2024.

ENTRY FEES

Individual Entry: \$40.00 per event. Relay Entry: \$75.00 per event.

ENTRY LIMITS & MEDALS

Swimmers can enter either their respective age or open event, but not both.

Swimmers can enter a maximum of 2 individual events and 1 relay.

Medals will be awarded for all Championship events. Where age groups are swum together, medals will be awarded to each age.

Entries close 11:59PM AEDT Tuesday 9th January, 2024. Entry times must be achieved before the entry closing date. Times swum after this date will not be accepted.

ENTRY INTO THE 10KM

Swimmers can enter using a 10km qualifying time, provided the time was achieved at a recognised 10km open water swimming event on or after 1 October 2022; OR

Age swimmers (18 & 19 years) can enter using a 7.5km time, provided the time was achieved at a recognised 7.5km open water swimming event on or after 1 October 2022; OR

Swimmers can enter using a 5km qualifying time, provided the time was achieved at a recognised 5km open water swimming event on or after 1 October 2022; OR

Swimmers who have not swum a 10km qualifying time may enter the 10km using a qualifying time for any stroke or distance for the 2024 Australian Swimming Championships provided the time was achieved on or after 1 January 2023.

- Where swimmers age up for the 2024 Australian Open Water Swimming Championships (as age is taken as at 31 December), they can use the time that would allow them entry into the age group they'll be eligible for at the 2024 Australian Swimming Championships (which is age as at the first day of competition).
 - The above clause is only for swimmers who are not entering with a 10km entry time. If you are entering on the basis of your Australian Championships qualification, your Aus Champs QT must meet the Aus Champs QT for the age you will be at the Aus Champs. You will still compete at Open Water as your age as at 31 December 2024.
- Swimmers wishing to enter the open event, must achieve an open qualifying time for the 2024 Australian Swimming Championships.

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ENTRY INTO THE 7.5KM (16 & 17 YEARS)

Swimmers can enter using a 7.5km qualifying time, provided the time was achieved at a recognised 7.5km open water swimming event on or after 1 October 2022; OR

Swimmers can enter using a 5km qualifying time, provided the time was achieved at a recognised 5km open water swimming event on or after 1 October 2022; OR

Swimmers can enter using a 5km pool time, provided the time was achieved at an approved 5km time trial on or after 1 October 2022; OR

Swimmers who have not swum a 7.5km qualifying time may enter the 7.5km using a qualifying time for any stroke or distance for the 2024 Australian Swimming Championships or 2024 Australian Age Swimming Championships, provided the time was achieved on or after 1 January 2023.

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 - The above clause is only for swimmers who are not entering with a 7.5km entry time. If you are entering on the basis of your Australian Championships or Age Championships QT, your Aus Champs or Age Champs QT must meet the Aus Champs QT or Age Champs QT for the age you will be at the Aus Champs or the Age Champs. You will still compete at Open Water as your age as at 31 December 2024.

ENTRY INTO THE 5KM

Swimmers can enter using a 5km qualifying time, provided the time was achieved at a recognised 5km open water swimming event on or after 1 October 2022; OR

Swimmers can enter using a 5km pool qualifying time, provided the time was achieved at an approved 5km time trial on or after 1 October 2022; OR

Swimmers who have not swum a 5km qualifying time may enter the 5km using a qualifying time for any stroke or distance for the 2024 Australian Swimming Championships or 2024 Australian Age Swimming Championships, provided the time was achieved on or after 1 January 2023.

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 - The above clause is only for swimmers who are not entering with a 5km entry time. If you are entering on the basis of your Australian Championships or Age Championships QT, your Aus Champs or Age Champs QT must meet the Aus Champs QT or Age Champs QT for the age you will be at the Aus Champs or the Age Champs. You will still compete at Open Water as your age as at 31 December 2024.
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ENTRY INTO THE MULTI-CLASS 5KM

Multi-class swimmers can enter using a 5km qualifying time, provided the time was achieved at a recognised 5km open water swimming event on or after 1 October 2022; OR

Multi-class swimmers can enter using a 5km pool qualifying time, provided the time was achieved at an approved 5km time trial on or after 1 October 2022.

MIXED GENDER RELAYS

The mixed gender relay events are staged as a typical relay, a gender mix of two males & two females is required. The course in total is 6km with each swimmer covering 1.5km (i.e., 4 x 1.5km).

All four swimmers must be from the same club. This event is limited to 14-15 years and open age.

CRITERIA FOR AN APPROVED OPEN WATER TIME

Open water times must be achieved at an approved open water swimming event.

CRITERIA FOR TIMES ACHIEVED IN SWIMMING WA OPEN WATER SERIES EVENTS WITH A BEACH FINISH

Due to extra distance swum for beach finishes achieved in Western Australia as part of the Swimming WA OW Series, 1 minute will be removed from your finish time to ascertain a distance appropriate Qualifying Time.

CRITERIA FOR AN APPROVED 5KM POOL TIME TRIAL

To achieve an approved 5km pool time trial a swimmer must swim a continuous 5km swim in a 50m long course pool under the designated pool qualifying time.

The swim must have an official Starter and Referee present to sign off on the result.

Time trial information for the claimed performance (date, location, name of swimmer and club) as well as the contact details for the swimmers' home coach must then be submitted to Swimming Australia via email events@swimming.org.au

CRITERIA FOR A POOL QUALIFYING TIME

Pool times must be achieved at a recognised event, in a 50m pool, using electronic timing.











AGE QUALIFYING TIMES

		BOYS		
AGE & EVENT	Open Water 5km Time	Pool 5km Time	Open Water 7.5km Time	Open Water 10km Time
18 & 19 Years 10km	1 Hour 4 Min	1 Hour	1 Hour 40 Min	2 Hours 15 Min
18 & 19 Years 5km				
16 & 17 Years 7.5km	1 Hour 7 Min	1 Hour 4 Min	1 Hour 50 Min	
16 & 17 Years 5km				
14 & 15 Years 5km	1 Hour 11 Min	1 Hour 8 Min		

		GIRLS		
AGE & EVENT	Open Water 5km Time	Pool 5km Time	Open Water 7.5km Time	Open Water 10km Time
18 & 19 Years 10km	1 Hour 10 Min	1 Hour 5 Min	1 Hour 47 Min	2 Hours 25 Min
18 & 19 Years 5km				
16 & 17 Years 7.5km	1 Hour 12 Min	1 Hour 9 Min	1 Hour 55 Min	
16 & 17 Years 5km				
14 & 15 Years 5km	1 Hour 16 Min	1 Hour 13 Min		

OPEN QUALIFYING TIMES

MEN	5KM		10KM
	Open Water	Pool 5km Time	Open Water
	1 Hour 4 Min	1 Hour	2 Hours 10 Min
MULTI-CLASS	1 Hour 20 Min	1 Hour 17 Min	
WOMEN	5KM		10KM
	1 Hour 10 Min	1 Hour 5 Min	2 Hours 20 Min
MULTI-CLASS	1 Hour 25 Min	1 Hour 22 Min	







