

USA SWIMMING

2011 OPEN WATER INTERNATIONAL TEAM AND NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION SUMMARY

The intent of this document is to give athletes and coaches an overview of the selection meets for the 2011 Open Water Nationals. All selection criteria and dates are posted at usaswimming.org and subject to change. Any questions can be directed to Lindsay Mintenko at lmintenko@usaswimming.org

QUALIFYING COMPETITION: 2011 USA SWIMMING OPEN WATER 10K NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Fort Lauderdale, FL June 10, 2011

2010 FINA Open Water World Championships – Shanghai, China; July 19-24 (Camp July 5-12)

- ❖ Two athletes per gender per event
- ❖ First place finisher will be selected to swim the 10K can elect to participate in the 5K, 25K, or both
- ❖ Second place finisher will be selected to swim the 10K can elect to participate in the 25K
- ❖ Third place finisher will be selected to swim in the 5K and be the replacement swimmer in the 10K. Can elect to participate in unfilled spot in the 25K
- ❖ Unfilled spots will be offered to fourth, fifth, and sixth place finishers until team is full, selection will not continue past the sixth place finisher
- ❖ Athletes must finish within ten minutes of the overall winner
- ❖ Selected athletes may not participate in the World University Games Open Water Events, but may participate in pool events

2011 World University Games -- Shenzhen, China; August 13 (depart Aug. 8)

- ❖ Officially registered as proceeding towards a degree or diploma at the university or similar institute whose status is recognized by an appropriate national academic authority within the U.S.
- ❖ A former student of an institution mentioned above who has obtained his/her academic degree or diploma in the year preceding the Championships.
- ❖ Is at least 17 years of age and less than 28 years of age on January 1, 2011
- ❖ Selected athletes may not participate in the World Championships Open Water Events, but may participate in pool events
- ❖ Best place finisher who is an Available swimmer in the 10K
- ❖ Must finish within ten minutes of the overall finisher

2011 Pan American Games 10K, Puerto Vallarta, Mexico; October 23, 2011 (depart Oct 19)

- ❖ Highest finishing Available Swimmers per gender for the 10K event
- ❖ May swim pool and open water events for which the athlete qualifies

2011-12 USA Swimming Open Water National Team

- ❖ The top six finishers at the 2011 Open Water 10K National Championships
- ❖ Athletes must finish within ten minutes of the first place overall winner

2011-12 USA Swimming Open Water National Youth Team

- ❖ Top three finishers at the 2011 Open Water 10K National Championships by athletes are 18U at the start date of the qualifying competition. Athletes starting University in Fall 2011 are eligible to make this team
- ❖ Athletes must finish within fifteen minutes of the overall winner
- ❖ Athletes who competed at the Olympic Games, World Championships [LCM or SCM], Japan Grand Prix, World University Games, Pan American Games (does not include 2011) or Pan Pacs for the USA National Team are not eligible.
- ❖ International Event TBD