



*1296A Kenmount Road
Paradise, NL, A1L 1N3
swimnl@sportnl.ca*

Swimming Newfoundland Labrador (SNL) Canada Games Selection Criteria

To qualify for the 2025 Canada Summer Games swimmers must meet the classification and eligibility criteria as outlined in the [2025 Canada Games Swimming Technical Package](#). For the Olympic program Female swimmers must be born 2009 or later and Males 2008 or later. Paralympic swimmers must be born between 2000-2012.

Additionally, all athletes must be residents of Newfoundland and Labrador and be registered members in good standing with Swimming Newfoundland and Labrador. Swimmers will be required to submit *Contenders Declaration to Compete* and *Letter of Commitment* form to SNL in December 2024. Contenders Declaration to Compete/Letter of Commitment form will be available on the SNL website in November.

Selection for the Canada Games Team will be made considering only those on the [Core Team](#) and based on long course results from the March 27 -30, 2025, East Coast Championships, and the Team NL Provincial Travel Team Meet May 15 -18, 2025, the Dr Ralph Hicken Invitational. If a long course meet becomes available in Newfoundland prior to May 18th the criteria will be adjusted.

Olympic Program Positions

A maximum of 12 males and 12 females will be selected to the team, and one male and one female alternate will be named. All swimmers must have a minimum of 395 [World Aquatics Scoring Points](#) (points) in an event for that event to be considered in any part of the selection process.

Event winners in all events excluding 100 IM, will be considered for selection.

In all scenarios noted below, swimmers must achieve the minimum points standard as well:

- In the event that there are greater than 12 swimmers ranked 1st, the swimmer(s) with the lowest points will not qualify for the team.
- In the event that there are less than 12 different swimmers ranked 1st, all of the second-place finishers will be considered according to the World Aquatics Scoring Points, in order of highest points achieved at the selection meets.
- In the event that the 12 positions are still not filled, after the event winners and second place finishers have been considered, the remaining spots will be filled according to which swimmers have the most third place rankings. In the event of a tie, the swimmer with the highest finishes, in the most events, will be selected.
- Alternates will be named according to the next highest rankings.

Additional Notes:

(a) Tie Breaking - Where there is a tie in the swimmer selection process, all other performances by the tied swimmers (excluding the tied performances) at the selection meets shall be ranked according to the point chart. The tie shall be broken by the selection of the swimmer with the highest ranked other performance that meets the minimum points.

(b) Event Entry - Selection does not guarantee specific event entry. Individual entries and relay team compositions will be determined by the Canada Games Head Coach.



*1296A Kenmount Road
Paradise, NL, A1L 1N3
swimnl@sportnl.ca*

(c) Amendments and Unforeseen Circumstances:

- In the event of unforeseen or unusual circumstances, as determined by the Swimming Newfoundland Labrador Selection Committee, the committee shall have the full discretion to resolve the matter as it sees fit, considering factors and circumstances that it deems relevant. All such requests must be submitted in writing to the selection committee prior to the end of the selection meet.
- Should a swimmer who is SNC Canadian Swimming Championship or Canadian Swimming Trials qualified for the 2024-2025 season, be unable to compete due to unforeseen or unusual circumstances as determined by the Swimming Newfoundland Labrador Selection Committee, they will retain a position on the Canada Games Team.
- The Head Coach has the discretion to alter selection due to unforeseen circumstances if agreed upon by the Selection Committee.

Paralympic Positions

Para swimmers must compete in at least two sanctioned competitions between the dates of Oct 1, 2024, and May 18, 2025. Swimmers must compete in the Para events offered at Canada Games. Coaches are to refer to the [2025 Canada Games Swimming Technical Package](#)

Classification must be completed 90 days prior to the start of the games.

An S-14 athlete may compete in only PARA events or only Special Olympic events. Classification must be completed 90 days prior to the games.

Swimmers will be selected based on the highest ranking [SNC Para Points](#) in individual events, based on personal best times from Oct 1, 2024 to May 18, 2025.

Special Olympics Positions

Special Olympics swimmers must compete in at least two sanctioned competitions between the dates of September 01, 2024, and May 18, 2025. and meet the eligibility criteria (section 4) in the [Canada Games Technical Package](#).

Selection criteria specific for Special Olympics Athletes will follow.