

Jersey Amateur Swimming Association

Island Games Selection Policy and Qualification Standards for Orkney 2025

Background

The Jersey Amateur Swimming Association ("JASA") has a long and distinguished association with the Island Games and has consistently sent a strong and competitive team. To ensure the selection process is clear and equitable, JASA has developed this Selection Policy and Qualification Standards document.

The intended outcome of the Selection Policy and Qualification Standard is to send swimmers capable of making an individual final and then give preference to those best placed to make a podium. Strength across the range of individual events will also increase the likelihood of success within the relays.

1. Eligibility

1.1. Registration

Any swimmer seeking selection must return the Athlete Registration Form and £350 non-refundable* deposit to the Team Manager (TM) not later 13th October 2024

The Athlete Registration Form can be found at the end of this document.

Clubs are invited to liaise with swimmers who may be temporarily residing outside of the Island.

1.2. Residential Status

Swimmers will need to be regarded as a Jersey resident. JASA define this as someone who was:

- a) born in Jersey
- b) has lived permanently in the Island for at least twelve months prior to opening ceremony of the 2025 games continues to live in Jersey on the same basis until the date of competition.
- c) Is normally resident in Jersey, but is following a programme of study, involved in military service or is regarded as temporarily training outside the Island.

1.3. Acceptance

A written acknowledgement will be sent by the TM to all swimmers who have registered confirming acceptance or seeking clarification as may be necessary. This will be done by 31st October 2024.

2. Preparation

2.1. Training

All swimmers will need to be able to prove they are training regularly upon request from 1st

October 2024, including details of all swims at designated Short Course (25 metre pool) and Long Course (50 metre pool) meets.

Adequate fitness to complete a five-day intensive competition is a fundamental consideration for team selection.

Swimmers regularly failing to complete adequate basic training without acceptable explanation will be deselected by the Team Manager.

3. Qualification

From this point on it is necessary that all of the requirements under Eligibility and Preparation are met and continue to be met through to the end of Orkney 2025

3.1. Team Size

The intention is that the team should consist of 8 male and 8 female swimmers. In total therefore the team size will be a maximum of 16.

All team members will need to meet all the relevant (minimum) qualification criteria. The team size may therefore be less than sixteen, but the anticipated minimum is 6 male / open and 6 females. This could also see a bigger team size for sex, for example 10 females and 6 males / open.

3.2. Qualifying Swims

All Qualifying Swims under the Short Course standards must be achieved in a Short Course Metres (SCM) pool in a Swim England (or equivalent home association) Level 2 or Level 3 licensed meet.

All Qualifying Swims under the Long Course standards must be achieved in a Long Course Metres (LCM) pool in a Swim England (or equivalent home association) Level 1 or Level 3 licensed meet.

Swims completed during the period commencing 30th June 2024 and ending on 1st April 2025 or 2025 JASA Island Championships, whichever is later, will count towards qualification.

It is the Athlete's responsibility to notify all qualifying swims to the Team Manager.

Conversion of Long Course Yards or Short Course Yards swims is not permitted.

3.3. Competition Swims

Each competitor must swim a minimum of four qualifying Meets during the qualification period – a minimum of two must be in 2025. A qualifying meet is one which meets the criteria at 3.2

3.4. Podium Times

Tables in Section 8 set out the bronze Medal Time ('MT') for each event based on an average of the previous Island Games.

3.5. Podium Potential Standard Qualification Standard

JASA has set a minimum Qualification Standard ('QS') for each event based on an expectation this will be sufficient to make the final of each event. The Qualification Standard has been set with reference to an average of 6th place at Island Games or where a previous qualification standard was faster.

3.6. Development Times

These may be used to aid selection should there be a lack of Podium or potential podium times achieved by swimmers allowing JASA the opportunity to use our allocated places for preparation for future Island Games.

4. Selection process for team places (see also the separate Athlete Guidance)

JASA will give priority to swimmers in the top two places in any one event, with added emphasis where one or both lie within a Podium time

4.1. Registration / Preparation / Qualification

Swimmers will need to satisfy all the requirements set out within this policy document.

4.2. Top Two

Place first or second in any one individual event. Should that yield more swimmers than places available, the best performance, in percentage terms, (from any one event) relative to an event Podium Time will take precedence. If places are still available, then selection will come from;

4.3. 100 Freestyle

The team will then be made up of the fastest four 100-metre freestyle swimmers with a minimum Qualifying Standard in that event and to the extent not already selected. A 100-metre freestyle swimmer without a Qualifying Standard in that event, will not take precedence over an otherwise qualified swimmer but sitting outside of the top two in any event.

4.4. Discretion

In the unlikely event of team places still being available the JASA Executive may then, in exceptional circumstances, look to the next fastest swimmers without a Podium or Potential podium Standard reached from the development times.

Should it not be possible to fulfil the team using the laid down Selection Policy and Qualifying Standard process, the JASA Executive reserves the right to consider alternative options, including sending a smaller team.

4.5. Tied team place

In the unlikely event of a place being tied on percentages the calculation will be extended from two decimal places to three, or more as is needed.

4.6. Notification

The Team Manager will ensure regular communication with club coaches throughout the qualifying period with the intention that these be notified to at least all swimmers who are registered. The actual team will be announced within one week of the end of the 2025 Island Championships.

4.7. Agreement and Publication of the Team

To agree the team, the Team Manager will confirm to the JASA Executive the intended swimmers as soon as possible after the 2025 Island Championships (expected in April or May 2025). JASA will allow itself several days to review all information presented by the Team Manager before announcing the team. In particular, JASA will want prior confirmation from the Team Manager that Head Coaches of all relevant clubs are fully satisfied that the Team Manager is in possession of all relevant information on which to reach a decision.

Once announced the team is considered as finalised, save for the policy on reserves.

Once selection has been confirmed by the JASA Executive, TM should contact the swimmers directly including any swimmers who have not been selected. Contact will be in the form of an e-mail to the address stated on the Athlete Registration Form.

The Presidents of all relevant clubs will be advised of the full team for onward communication within their clubs as well as JEP etc once all swimmers have been informed. TM should send a confirmation email/letter regarding selection.

4.8. Reserves

The Team Manager, in consultation with a club Head Coach, and agreement of the JASA Executive may consider sending a reserve swimmer should a team member become unavailable, and / or failure to meet the ongoing requirements of the Qualification Standard.

5. De-selection

5.1. Anti-doping

Athletes suspended by their Governing Body as a result of ongoing or concluded anti-doping violation allegations will not be considered for selection and, if previously selected, will be de-selected from JASA KPMG Team Jersey 2025. The athlete will forfeit all sums paid to date.

5.2. Form and Fitness Issues – Injury Management

Where form and fitness issues are identified at or after selection, a fitness test may be used to determine that the athlete is capable of performing to the level required for the

Games. The format will be determined by JASA after discussion with the Head Coach, Team Manager and head coach from the relevant club. This will be specific to swimming and the athlete's condition and may include input from relevant medical staff. Any selection or de-selection decision, following such a test, will be final.

5.3. Code of Conduct

Athletes registering for consideration during the qualifying period will be required to meet the JASA Island Games 2025 Code of Conduct at all times. Failure to do so may result in the Athlete being de-selected

6. Appeals

6.1. Informal notification and resolution

In the first instance it is the role of the Team Manager and his / her team to resolve any unforeseen issues that may arise. In the unlikely event of that not proving possible the expectation is that issues can be brought to the JASA Executive for a final ruling.

6.2. Making an appeal

An appeal against non-selection is entirely a matter for the Athlete, the Athlete's swimming club and JASA.

In the first instance, appeals must be made in writing to the President of the Athlete's swimming club. The relevant club President will then pass the appeal to the Team Manager. Direct appeals to the Head Coach, Team Manager or JASA by athletes or their families will not be considered.

6.3. Appeals shall only be considered if they address the selection process as set out in this document, clarification of fact or provision of new and relevant information or evidence. Grounds for appeal do not include eligibility, health or times achieved out of the periods identified within this policy document.

7. Appointment of team staff

7.1. Team Manager

An Orkney 2025 Team Manager will be appointed by JASA by 30th October 2024.

7.2. Team Coach

An Orkney 2025 Team Coach will be appointed by JASA by 31st December 2024.

7.3. Other appointments

The final complement of team staff attending the Games will be determined by JASA nearer to the Games.

8. Qualification Standard

FEMALE				DISTANCE	EVENT	MALE			
Short Course						Short course			
Podium	Podium Potential	Development 2009 born or later				Podium	Podium Potential	Development 2009 Born or later	
26.74	27.01	27.28		50	FREE	22.97	23.43	24.58	
58.08	59.22	1.00.36		100	FREE	50.94	51.96	54.41	
2.03.69	2.06.11	2.08.54		200	FREE	1.52.32	1.54.52	1.57.83	
4.25.06	4.30.25	4.35.45		400	FREE	3.59.29	4.03.98	4.11.30	
9.08.45	9.19.21	9.29.96		800	FREE	8.19.09	8.28.88	8.38.66	
17.26.41	17.46.93	18.22.10		1500	FREE	15.51.28	16.09.94	16.41.91	
29.54	30.12	31.82		50	BACK	26.21	26.73	28.02	
1.03.97	1.05.32	1.08.23		100	BACK	56.61	57.59	1.00.23	
2.17.46	2.20.15	2.24.56		200	BACK	2.04.31	2.07.96	2.12.84	
33.18	33.51	36.65		50	BREAST	29.43	30.02	32.49	
1.10.96	1.11.67	1.17.28		100	BREAST	1.03.04	1.05.32	1.08.54	
2.37.37	2.40.23	2.46.78		200	BREAST	2.19.93	2.22.71	2.28.20	
28.29	29.19	29.92		50	FLY	25.25	25.74	27.02	
1.02.25	1.03.48	1.07.80		100	FLY	55.83	56.60	59.98	
2.20.02	2.23.98	2.27.90		200	FLY	2.04.37	2.06.81	2.14.63	
1.06.07	1.07.39	1.08.71		100	IM	56.90	58.64	1.00.24	
2.21.50	2.24.28	2.27.05		200	IM	2.06.10	2.08.53	2.14.96	
4.59.64	5.05.51	5.15.32		400	IM	4.28.26	4.33.52	4.44.46	
4.25.98 (1.06.49)				4x100 IM		3.54.68 (58.67)			
3.57.29 (59.32)				4x100 Free		3.32.25 (53.06)			
Long Course				DISTANCE	EVENT	Long Course			
Podium	Podium Potential	Development				Podium	Podium Potential	Development	
27.51	27.77	28.03		50	FREE	23.86	24.30	25.41	
59.50	1.00.61	1.01.73		100	FREE	52.55	53.54	55.92	
2.06.46	2.08.83	2.11.21		200	FREE	1.55.36	1.57.50	2.00.73	
4.30.30	4.35.39	4.40.50		400	FREE	4.05.07	4.09.65	4.16.81	
9.18.88	9.29.44	9.40.01		800	FREE	8.30.50	8.40.08	8.49.66	
17.45.92	18.06.08	18.40.66		1500	FREE	16.12.66	16.30.93	17.02.26	
30.21	30.78	32.40		50	BACK	26.96	27.47	28.72	
1.05.21	1.06.54	1.09.40		100	BACK	58.01	58.96	1.01.55	
2.19.86	2.22.15	2.26.80		200	BACK	2.06.96	2.10.53	2.15.32	
34.11	34.43	37.50		50	BREAST	30.47	31.04	33.44	
1.12.71	1.13.40	1.18.90		100	BREAST	1.05.00	1.07.21	1.10.35	
2.40.69	2.43.49	2.49.90		200	BREAST	2.23.64	2.26.35	2.31.71	
28.95	29.83	30.50		50	FLY	25.99	26.46	27.71	
1.03.46	1.04.66	1.08.90		100	FLY	57.17	57.92	1.01.20	
2.22.26	2.26.16	2.30.00		200	FLY	2.06.88	2.09.27	2.16.90	
				100	IM				
2.24.26	2.26.99	2.29.71		200	IM	2.09.18	2.11.55	2.17.84	
5.04.29	5.10.07	5.19.75		400	IM	4.33.44	4.38.60	4.49.35	

ATHLETE REGISTRATION FORM

To be completed by any Athlete wishing to be considered for selection to the Jersey Swim Team at Orkney 2025. Forms must be received by the Team Manager before 13th October 2024.

Athletes full name (as on passport)	
Athlete date of birth	
Postal address include post code	
Athlete mobile	
Athlete e-mail	
For Athletes below the age of 18, please also complete the fields below	
Parent / Guardian full name	
Parent / Guardian contact number	
Parent / Guardian contact e-mail	

The 13th October 2024 registration deadline has been chosen to benefit Athletes studying off-island in order that they can discuss their 2024/25 season schedule with their Coach and agree release to compete in Orkney 2025 Island Games.

To register, please include a cheque payable to 'Jersey Amateur Swimming Association' for the £350 deposit or transfer funds to:

Account Name: Jersey Amateur Swimming Association
Account Number: 58122268
Sort code: 30-94-61
Bank Name: Lloyds Bank, Broad Street, St Helier, Jersey

Cheque payments will be banked immediately after the registration close date / payment due date and are non-refundable. *

Direct bank transfers must be received by close of business on the registration close date / payment due date.

Athlete Registration Forms will not be accepted after 13th October 2024 save for athletes who are not members of the JASA member clubs. Registration will be refused if the accompanying deposit payment is not received by 13th October 2024.

We anticipate Orkney 2025 to be one of the more expensive Island Games of recent years and have established a payment schedule that must be met given JASA's onward commitment to airlines, accommodation providers and the Island Games Association of Jersey.

Deadline	Additional payment due	Total paid
By 13 th October 2024	£350	£350
By 31 st December 2024	£350	£700
By 28 th February 2025	£350	£1,050
By 31 st March 2025	£350	£1,400
By 30 th April 2025	£300	£1,700
By 31 st May 2025	Residual balance	To be confirmed

In registering for Orkney 2025 you acknowledge the obligation to meet these stage payments and accept that the athlete may be de-registered and / or de-selected if the payment schedule is not met at any stage and prior sums paid may be forfeited.

Please contact JASA Treasurer, Richard Corrigan (richard_corrigan@hotmail.co.uk or 07700 712230) if you need to make separate arrangements e.g. due to financial hardship or ease of budgeting the costs in some other way.

I confirm that I have read and agree to abide by the Selection Policy & Qualification Standards, issued by the Jersey Amateur Swimming Association, for the Jersey Swim Team at Orkney Island Games.

I confirm that I will meet the required payment schedule – or enter into an alternative payment arrangement in advance – and risk loss of prior sums paid if I fail to meet the payment schedule.

Signed	
Date	
Parent / Guardian signature (if athlete <18 years old)	
Date	

****Deposits will be refunded if the Athlete is not selected or in the event of Athlete withdrawal under medical certification.***

Athletes withdrawing after confirmation of selection will lose deposits unless injured or selected for higher representation.