



## QUALIFICATION SYSTEM FOR THE SWIMMING COMPETITIONS OF THE TOKYO 2020 OLYMPIC GAMES

- \* The Qualification period for individual entries is: 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019 – 29<sup>th</sup> June 2020.
- \* The Qualification period for relay entries is: 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019 – 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2020.
- \* Please note that only the swimming qualifying times achieved at competitions approved **in advance** by FINA can be accepted as entry times for these Games.
- \* FINA will **ONLY** recognise the swimming competitions where referees and starters included on the FINA Swimming Officials Lists N° 19 and N° 20 are officiating.

In accordance with FINA Rule BL 12 ([link](#)), the following events are considered as qualifiers for the swimming competition of the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games:

- Tier 1.** 18<sup>th</sup> FINA World Championships 2019, Gwangju (KOR)
- Tier 2.** 7<sup>th</sup> FINA World Junior Swimming Championships 2019, Budapest (HUN)  
FINA Swimming World Cup 2019 (if conducted in 50 m pools)
- Tier 3.** Continental Championships  
Continental Junior Championships  
Regional Championships  
Regional Games where Swimming is included
- Tier 4.** Member Federations' International Competitions

Every National Federation organising a Continental or Regional competition must apply to FINA for approval prior to the event being held for the results to be considered.

*A maximum of four (4) competitions per year will be allowed per National Federation. The results will only be taken into consideration if the rankings show the participation of swimmers from other National Federations than the host federation.*

- Tier 5.** **National Trials**  
**National Championships**

*A maximum of two (2) events per year will be approved per National Federation.*



**Please find attached the following documents:**

- \* FINA OQT / “A” & OST / “B” Qualifying times
- \* Application Form for competitions from tiers 3, 4 & 5

The qualifying system for Swimming can be found on the FINA website:

<https://www.fina.org/event/xxxii-olympic-games>

**The form must be returned to the FINA Office in accordance with the following deadlines:**

- \* **For competitions in 2019 - no later than 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018**
- \* **For competitions in 2020 - no later than 1<sup>st</sup> November 2019**

**NO APPLICATION WILL BE CONSIDERED AFTER THE ABOVE ESTABLISHED DEADLINES**

**The approved events will be automatically confirmed for the FINA World Calendar.**

Please note that competitions taking place after 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019 and which have been previously approved as qualifying meets for the FINA World Championships Gwangju 2019 will be automatically considered for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games. There is no need to re-apply.

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**Timing Systems:**

- \* It is very important to indicate on the “Application Form” the **INFORMATION ON THE TIMING SYSTEM**. **Electronic Timing is mandatory.**
  - \* The official results should be sent to FINA in pdf format **and** in an electronic file (either Lenex or Hy-Tek cl2/sdif) **IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE COMPETITION** to <mailto:rankings@fina.org>.
  - \* The full date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy) of each athlete must be included in the results file.
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The quota of **878** swimmers for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games ([link](#)) remains with the priority order as follows:

1. All athletes with Olympic Qualifying Times (A)
2. Relay athletes only
3. Universality Places
4. Invited athletes who have achieved an Olympic Selection Time (B)

Additional swimmers having achieved an OST / “B” time may be invited to ensure that all NOCs represented at the 2019 FINA World Championships in Gwangju (KOR) will have an eligible swimmer to participate in the Olympic Games.

In this case, NOCs can only enter **one (1) athlete (male or female)** having achieved an OST/“B” Time. Swimmers invited through OST/“B” Time are only allowed to compete in the events for which they received the FINA invitation.