

Fédération Internationale de Natation (FINA) Swimming

EVENTS

Men

50m freestyle
100m freestyle
200m freestyle
400m freestyle
1'500m freestyle
100m backstroke
200m backstroke
100m breaststroke
200m breaststroke
100m butterfly
200m butterfly
200m individual medley
400m individual medley
4 x 100m freestyle relay
4 x 200m freestyle relay
4 x 100m medley relay
10km marathon swim (see annex)

Women

50m freestyle
100m freestyle
200m freestyle
400m freestyle
800m freestyle
100m backstroke
200m backstroke
100m breaststroke
200m breaststroke
100m butterfly
200m butterfly
200m individual medley
400m individual medley
4 x 100m freestyle relay
4 x 200m freestyle relay
4 x 100m medley relay
10km marathon swim (see annex)

ATHLETE / NF/NOC QUOTA

Athlete numbers: The target for swimming is 800 athletes

Maximum per NF/NOC: Individual events – An NF/NOC may enter a maximum of two (2) qualified athletes in each individual event if both entered athletes meet the A qualification standard for the respective event, or one (1) athlete per event if they have met the B qualification standard only

Relay events - For relay events, an NF/NOC may enter a maximum of one (1) qualified relay team

NF/NOCs without qualified athletes – NFs/NOCs may enter swimmers regardless of time standard as follows:

- having no swimmer qualified: one (1) man and one (1) woman
- having one swimmer qualified: one (1) swimmer of the other sex

provided that:

- the swimmer(s) participated in the 12th FINA World Championships – Melbourne 2007
- FINA will decide which swimmers will be invited to take part at the Olympic Games based on their performance.

QUALIFICATION SYSTEM**1. 'A' and 'B' qualifying standard - individuals***FINA Rule BL 8.3.6.1*

For each individual event at the Olympic Games the FINA Bureau will establish Standard Entry Times on two levels: A and B, of which B shall be easier to achieve. If a National Federation/NOC enters only one swimmer per event all swimmers entered must meet the qualifying B standard time. If two swimmers are entered in the same event, both of them must meet the qualifying A standard time. Standard entry times can only be achieved in competitions approved for that purpose by FINA.

2. NFs/NOCs without qualified athletes*FINA Rule BL 8.3.6.2*

National Federations/NOCs may enter swimmers regardless of time standard as follows:

- having no swimmer qualified: one man and one woman
- having one swimmer qualified: one swimmer of the other sex

provided that:

- the swimmer(s) participated in the 12th FINA World Championships – Melbourne 2007
- FINA will decide which swimmers will be invited to take part at the Olympic Games based on their performance.

NFs/NOCs without qualified entries must submit their applications for entries to FINA for approval by **15 June 2008**.

3. Relay teams*FINA Rule BL 8.3.6.3*

Each NF/NOC may enter only one team in each relay event. All swimmers entered in individual events can be used in relays. In the Olympic Games, not more than sixteen (16) teams can be entered in each relay competition. The top twelve (12) finishers at the 12th FINA World Championships – Melbourne 2007 shall be qualified based upon the results achieved. The four (4) other teams shall be selected by FINA on the basis of the fastest times achieved in the fifteen-month period before the Olympic Games in competitions approved for that purpose by FINA.

The NFs/NOCs must confirm to FINA the participation of their qualified relay team by no later than **31 May 2008**.

Each NF/NOC may enter additional swimmers for the relays only, provided that they have achieved the 'B' standard for the stroke and distance.

The following formula shall apply:

One (1) relay	- two (2) extra swimmers
Two (2) relays	- four (4) extra swimmers
Three (3) relays	- six (6) extra swimmers
Four (4) relays	- ten (10) extra swimmers
Five (5) relays	- twelve (12) extra swimmers
Six (6) relays	- sixteen (16) extra swimmers

FINA A & B QUALIFYING TIME STANDARDS

		A - 2 Entries			B - 1 Entry		
		M	S	1/100	M	S	1/100
MEN'S STANDARD	50 Freestyle	00	22	35	00	23	13
	100 Freestyle	00	49	23	00	50	95
	200 Freestyle	01	48	72	01	52	53
	400 Freestyle	03	49	96	03	58	01
	800 Freestyle						
	1500 Freestyle	15	13	16	15	45	12
	100 Backstroke	00	55	14	00	57	07
	200 Backstroke	01	59	72	02	03	91
	100 Breaststroke	01	01	57	01	03	72
	200 Breaststroke	02	13	69	02	18	37
	100 Butterfly	00	52	86	00	54	71
	200 Butterfly	01	57	67	02	01	79
	200 I. M.	02	01	40	02	05	65
	400 I. M.	04	18	40	04	27	44

WOMEN'S STANDARD	50 Freestyle	00	25	43	00	26	32
	100 Freestyle	00	55	24	00	57	17
	200 Freestyle	01	59	29	02	03	47
	400 Freestyle	04	11	26	04	20	05
	800 Freestyle	08	35	98	08	54	04
	1500 Freestyle						
	100 Backstroke	01	01	70	01	03	86
	200 Backstroke	02	12	73	02	17	38
	100 Breaststroke	01	09	01	01	11	43
	200 Breaststroke	02	28	21	02	33	40
	100 Butterfly	00	59	35	01	01	43
	200 Butterfly	02	10	84	02	15	42
	200 I. M.	02	15	27	02	19	97
	400 I. M.	04	45	08	04	55	06

Qualification period

The qualifying time standards must be obtained at any of the specified competitions held in the period **15 March 2007 to 15 July 2008**.

Qualification events

Qualifying time standards must be obtained at any of the following competitions:

- Continental Championships
- National Olympic Trials, to be approved in advance by FINA
- International Competitions, to be approved in advance by FINA

Only times achieved at FINA recognised competitions can be accepted as entry times for the Beijing 2008 Olympic Games.

QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

15 March 2007	Start of the qualifying time period
17 March – 1 April 2007	12 th FINA World Championships, Melbourne (AUS)
5 – 20 July 2007	All Africa Games, Algiers (ALG)
13 – 29 July 2007	Pan American Games, Rio de Janeiro (BRA)
2008	Oceania Championships, <i>date and location to be confirmed</i> ASIA, <i>date and location to be confirmed</i>
31 May 2008	NFs/NOCs to confirm to FINA the participation of their qualified relay teams
15 June 2008	NFs/NOCs without qualified entries to submit their application to FINA for approval
2008	European Swimming Championships, Eindhoven (NED), <i>date to be confirmed</i>
15 July 2008	Conclusion of the qualifying time period
23 July 2008	Deadline for Beijing 2008 Organising Committee to receive entry forms submitted by NOCs

DATES / PROCESS OF CONFIRMATION OF PLACES

NFs/NOCs must confirm to FINA the participation of their qualified relay team by **no later than 31 May 2008**.

NFs/NOCs shall submit the entry forms for their qualified athletes and teams to BOCOG by the **deadline of 23 July 2008**. These entries shall be verified and approved by BOCOG in liaison with FINA.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA POSITIONS

If a qualified relay team will not participate at the Beijing 2008 Olympic Games, FINA will select the next relay team on the basis of the fastest time achieved in the period of **15 March 2007 to 15 July 2008**.

Fédération Internationale de Natation (FINA) Swimming annex - Marathon swimming
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EVENTS

10km	Men	Women
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NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

<u>Athletes:</u>	25 men 25 women Total of 50 athletes
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<u>Maximum per NF/NOC:</u>	Two (2) Marathon Swimmers per event
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QUALIFICATION SYSTEM – ALL ENTRIES TO BE CONFIRMED BY FINA

NF/NOC Entries per Event1. 5th FINA World Open Water Swimming Championships 2008

The first ten (10) finalists from the 10km event – men and women – will qualify.

20 Marathon Swimmers (10 Men & 10 Women)

2. Continental Representation

The first eligible finisher in the 10km event – Men and Women – from each of the five (5) Continental Championships will qualify.

10 Marathon Swimmers (5 Men and 5 Women)

In the event that a NF/NOC has previously qualified one (1) or two (2) swimmers, the selection process will move to the next eligible finisher in the Continental Championships event to ensure that each of these competitions yields a competitor.

3. Host nation

One (1) male and one (1) female marathon swimmer from the Host nation, if not previously qualified, will qualify.

2 Marathon Swimmers (1 Man & 1 Woman)

If the Host nation qualifies two (2) athletes through the Point 1 above or one (1) athlete through the Point 2 above, then this slot will be added to Point 4 and allow it to yield an additional 10th qualification place.

4. FINA Olympic Marathon Swim Qualifier

NFs/NOCs not having qualified swimmers through points 1, 2 or 3 above may elect to send two (2) athletes per event. Each NF/NOC will qualify only one (1) athlete (per event). All remaining qualification places will be filled at this competition. The swimmers already qualified through points 1, 2 or 3 may participate in this competition.

QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

29 April – 4 May 2008	5 th FINA World Open Water Swimming Championships, Seville (ESP)
19 May 2008	NFs/NOCs to confirm to FINA the participation of their Marathon Swimmers
31 May – 1 June 2008	FINA Olympic Marathon Swim Qualifier, Beijing (CHN)
23 July 2008	Deadline for Beijing 2008 Organising Committee to receive entry forms submitted by NOCs

DATES / PROCESS OF CONFIRMATION OF PLACES

The NFs/NOCs must confirm to FINA the participation of their Marathon Swimmers not later than **19 May 2008**.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA POSITIONS

Should an NF/NOC not enter a qualified athlete, the unused quota place will be transferred to the next ranked athlete from the FINA Olympic Marathon Swim Qualifier.

Fédération Internationale de Natation (FINA) Diving

EVENTS

	Men	Women
Synchronised Diving	Springboard (3m)	Springboard (3m)
	Platform (10m)	Platform (10m)
Individual Diving	Springboard (3m)	Springboard (3m)
	Platform (10m)	Platform (10m)

ATHLETE / NF/NOC QUOTA

Athlete quota: 68 men
68 women
Total of 136 athletes

Maximum per NF/NOC: a maximum of one (1) synchronised diving team in each event, and a maximum of two (2) divers in each individual event

QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

NF/NOC Entries per Event

FINA Rule BL 8.3.8.3.1.1

An NF/NOC may enter up to two (2) divers for each individual event (springboard or platform) and up to two (2) divers in each synchronised diving event (springboard or platform) on the same height, for which the divers and/or federation team is qualified.

2008 Olympic Qualification System:

Phase I

FINA World Championships, Melbourne (AUS) 2007

Individual Diving Events: 3 Metre and 10 Metre Men and Women

12 Finalists (earned qualification positions for their NF/NOC)

Synchronised Diving Events: 3 Metre and 10 Metre Men and Women

Top Three (3) Finalists plus the host nation (CHN)

Phase II

FINA World Cup 2008, Beijing (CHN)

Individual Diving Events: 3 Metre and 10 Metre Men and Women

18 Semi-Finalists (earned qualification positions for their NF/NOC to a maximum of two (2) per NF/NOC)

To qualify for the remaining ranked placings, those divers competing in the World Cup will dive on Day 6, or in accordance with the agreed schedule of the World Cup programme, representing their NF/NOC to secure a provisional placing.

Note: A point standard will be established for each individual event for Men and Women.

Synchronised Diving Events: 3 Metre and 10 Metre Men and Women

Top Four (4) placed teams, excluding those teams previously qualified in Phase I.

Synchronised Diving (Springboard and Platform)

FINA Rule BL 8.3.8.3.2

There shall be eight (8) synchronised diving teams in each event. Synchronised diving teams shall be qualified by NF/NOC according to the following:

1. 12th FINA World Championships – Melbourne 2007

The first three (3) teams from the 12th FINA World Championships, Melbourne 2007, will qualify
3 teams

2. 16th FINA Diving World Cup – Beijing 2008

The first four (4) additional teams from the 16th FINA Diving World Cup 2008, will qualify
4 teams

3. Host nation

The Host nation can automatically enter in the following events:

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| • 3m Springboard | Men | 1 team |
| | Women | 1 team |
| • 10m Platform | Men | 1 team |
| | Women | 1 team |

Individual Diving (Springboard and Platform)

FINA Rule BL 8.3.8.3.3.4

Individual divers shall be qualified by NF/NOC according to the following:

1. 12th FINA World Championships – Melbourne 2007

The first twelve (12) finalists in each individual event from the 12th FINA World Championships – Melbourne 2007
12 divers

2. 16th FINA Diving World Cup – Beijing 2008

Additional divers up to a maximum of thirty-four (34) in each event from the 16th FINA Diving World Cup 2008
up to 22 divers

QUALIFICATION TIMELINE	
17 March – 1 April 2007	12 th FINA World Championships, Melbourne (AUS)
19 – 24 February 2008	16 th FINA Diving World Cup, Beijing (CHN)
1 June 2008	FINA to confirm the number of qualification places to NFs/NOCs
23 June 2008	NFs/NOCs to confirm use of qualification places by event
23 July 2008	Deadline for Beijing 2008 Organising Committee to receive entry forms submitted by NOCs

DATES / PROCESS OF CONFIRMATION OF PLACES*FINA Rule BL 8.3.8.3.1.2*

Following the conclusion of the 16th FINA Diving World Cup 2008, and not later than fourteen (14) days thereafter each NF/NOC will be notified of the number of divers that each NF/NOC may enter in the Olympic Games. The total number of divers to be entered shall not exceed one hundred and thirty-six (136).

FINA Rule BL 8.3.8.3.1.3

No later than 23 June 2008, the NF/NOC shall advise FINA of the number of the allowed divers that the NF/NOC will enter in each event. If a diver will be entered both as a team member in synchronised diving and as an individual competitor at the same height, that diver should only be counted as one person. (E.g.: If both synchronised divers in springboard also compete individually in springboard, the total number of springboard divers shall be reported as two (2)).

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA POSITIONS**Synchronised Diving (Springboard and Platform)***FINA Rule BL 8.3.8.3.2*

If any of the eight (8) qualified teams withdraws it shall be replaced by the next ranked team at the 16th FINA Diving World Cup.

Individual Diving (Springboard and Platform)*FINA Rule BL 8.3.8.3.3.5*

If a diver qualified in accordance with BL 8.3.8.3.3.4 has not been entered to the Olympic Games, a substitute shall be selected according to the same rule subject to having fulfilled the requirements in BL 8.3.8.3.3.1, to the extent that the aggregate of all entries does not exceed one hundred and thirty-six (136).

Fédération Internationale de Natation (FINA) Water polo

EVENTS

- 12-team tournament for men
8-team tournament for women

ATHLETE / NF/NOC QUOTA

<u>Athlete quota:</u>	156 men's players (12 teams of 13 players each) 104 women's players (8 teams of 13 players each) Total of 260 athletes
<u>Maximum per NF/NOC:</u>	1 men's team of 13 players and 1 women's team of 13 players (<i>FINA Rule BL 8.3.10</i>)

QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

Olympic Tournament for Men (12 teams)

The competition shall be between twelve (12) teams selected in the following manner:

1. Continental Championships/Host nation

FINA Rule BL 8.3.10.1.2

Automatically one (1) team from the continental championships of the five (5) continents. The host nation will be the representative of that continent

5 teams

2. 2007 World League

FINA Rule BL 8.3.10.1.3

The first team from the 2007 World League. If this team has already qualified as the continental representative then the next ranked team from the World League qualifies

1 team

3. 12th FINA World Championships – Melbourne 2007

FINA Rule BL 8.3.10.1.4

The first three (3) teams from the 12th FINA World Championships Melbourne 2007. If any of these three (3) teams has already qualified as the continental representative or from the 2007 World League (BL 8.3.10.1.4), the next ranked team at the 2007 World Championships from its respective continent qualifies

3 teams

4. Olympic Games Qualification Tournament

FINA Rule BL 8.3.10.1.5

The other three (3) teams are to come from the highest placed teams at the Olympic Games Qualification Tournament - Men

3 teams

Olympic Tournament for Women (8 teams)

The competition shall be between eight (8) teams selected in the following manner:

1. Continental Championships/Host nation

FINA Rule BL 8.3.10.3.2

Automatically one (1) team from each continental championships of the five (5) continents. The host nation will be the representative of that continent

5 teams

2. Olympic Games Qualification Tournament

FINA Rule BL 8.3.10.3.3

The other three (3) teams qualify from the Olympic Games Qualification Tournament – Women

3 teams

QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Men

17 March – 1 April 2007	12 th FINA World Championships, Melbourne (AUS)
2007	World League, <i>date and location to be confirmed</i>
September 2007	European Water Polo Qualification Tournament, <i>date and location to be confirmed</i>
5 – 20 July 2007	All Africa Games, Algiers (ALG)
13 - 29 July 2007	Pan American Games, Rio de Janeiro (BRA)
2008	Oceania Championships, <i>date and location to be confirmed</i>
2008	Olympic Games Men's Water Polo Olympic Qualification Tournament, <i>date and location to be confirmed</i>
23 July 2008	Deadline for Beijing 2008 Organising Committee to receive entry forms submitted by NOCs

Women

September 2007	European Water Polo Qualification Tournament, <i>date and location to be confirmed</i>
13 - 29 July 2007	Pan American Games, Rio de Janeiro (BRA)
5 – 20 July 2007	All Africa Games, Algiers (ALG)
2008	Oceania Championships, <i>date and location to be confirmed</i>
2008	Olympic Games Women's Water Polo Qualification Tournament, <i>date and location to be confirmed</i>
23 July 2008	Deadline for Beijing 2008 Organising Committee to receive entry forms submitted by NOCs

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA POSITIONS

Men's tournament

FINA Rule BL 8.3.10.1.6

If, for any reason, no team enters from a continent, or if there is an unfilled vacancy from among the teams qualified from the 2007 World League or the 12th FINA World Championships – Melbourne 2007, the next ranking team(s) will then be taken in order from their placing at the Olympic Games Qualification Tournament – Men.

Women's tournament

FINA Rule BL 8.3.10.3.4

If, for any reason, qualified teams do not wish to participate in the Olympic Games, the next ranking team(s) will then be taken in order from their placing at the Olympic Games Qualification Tournament – Women.

Fédération Internationale de Natation (FINA) Synchronised Swimming

EVENTS

Women

Team competition

Duet competition

ATHLETE / NF/NOC QUOTA

Athlete quota: 8 teams of 9 athletes (72 athletes)
16 additional duets of 2 athletes (32 athletes)
Total of 104 athletes

Maximum per NF/NOC: one (1) team with a maximum of nine (9) athletes, and one (1) duet pair with two (2) athletes. NFs/NOCs entered in both the team and duet competitions may enter a maximum of nine (9) athletes

QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

Team Qualification (8 teams)

FINA Rule BL 8.3.9.5.1

1. Continental Championships

Automatically one (1) team from the Continental Championships of the five (5) continents. The host nation will be representative of that continent

5 teams

2. Olympic Qualifying Tournament

The top three (3) placed teams from the Olympic Qualifying Tournament qualify for the Olympic Games

3 teams

Duet Qualification (24 duets)

1. NFs/NOCs qualified in the team event

FINA Rule BL 8.3.9.5.2

The eight (8) NFs/NOCs qualified for the teams event may also enter a duet in the duet competition, using the same athletes as entered for the team event

8 duets

2. Olympic Qualifying Tournament

FINA Rule BL 8.3.9.5.2

In addition to the eight (8) duets of NFs/NOCs qualified through the team event, one (1) duet from each continent not represented, plus the next ranked duets for a total of twenty-four (24) duets from the Olympic Qualifying Tournament qualify for the Olympic Games

16 duets

QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

TBC	Continental Championships: Africa, Asia and Oceania, <i>date and location to be confirmed</i>
July 2007	European Synchronised Swimming Cup, <i>location to be confirmed</i>
13 – 29 July 2007	Pan American Games, Rio de Janeiro (BRA)
16 – 20 April 2008	Synchronised Swimming Olympic Qualification Tournament, Beijing (CHN)
15 May 2008	NFs/NOCs to confirm the participation of their team/duet to FINA
23 July 2008	Deadline for Beijing 2008 Organising Committee to receive entry forms submitted by NOCs

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA POSITIONS

The NFs/NOCs must confirm to FINA the participation of their synchronised swimming team and duet by not later than **15 May 2008**.

Should an NF/NOC not enter a qualified team or duet, the unused quota place will be transferred to the next highest ranked duet(s) or teams(s) from the Olympic Games Qualifying Tournament.