

USA SWIMMING

2011-2012 NATIONAL TEAM, NATIONAL JUNIOR TEAM SELECTION SUMMARY

The intent of this document is to give athletes and coaches an overview of the National Team and National Junior Team selection for the 2011-2012 season. All selection criteria and dates are subject to change. Any questions can be directed to Lindsay Mintenko at lmintenko@usaswimming.org

USA SWIMMING 2011-2012 NATIONAL TEAM

Team will be announced September 1, 2011

- ❖ The top six athletes in Olympic Events from the combined results of the 2011 FINA World Championships, 2011 ConocoPhillips National Championships and the 2011 World University Games
- ❖ Times from Prelims, Semi-Finals and Finals (A, B and C) only will be used
- ❖ Relay lead offs and time trials will not be included *
- ❖ Funding Structure:
- ❖ September 1, 2011- June 30, 2012
 - Athletes who are ranked in the Top 16 in an Olympic event according to the FINA.org World Rankings as of September 1, 2011 and are a member of the 2011-12 USA Swimming National Team; up to 52 athletes are eligible to receive monthly assistance
- ❖ July 1, 2012- August 31, 2012:
 - 2012 Olympic Team Members who signed the 2011-12 APA will continue to receive the APA stipend.
 - 2012 Olympic Team Members who did not sign the 2011-12 APA will receive the standard monthly stipend.

* See Addendum

2010-2011 OPEN WATER NATIONAL TEAM

Team will be announced June 13, 2011

- ❖ The top six American finishers at the 2011 Open Water 10K National Championships
- ❖ Athletes must finish within ten minutes of the first place overall winner
- ❖ Funding Structure:
- ❖ August 1, 2011- June 30, 2012:
 - Athletes who will be nominated to the 2012 Olympic Team
 - If no male or female athlete qualifies for the 2012 Olympic Team, athletes who have finished in the Top 16 at the 2011 FINA Open Water World Championships in the 10K; up to 2 men and 2 women.
 - If only one male and/or one female athlete qualifies for the 2012 Olympic Team and an additional athlete finishes in the top 16 at the 2011 FINA Open Water World Championships, then both athletes will receive monthly assistance.
 - If no athlete(s) meet the first criteria then the top two place finishers at the 2011 USA Swimming National Championships in the 10K will receive assistance
- ❖ July 1, 2012- August 31, 2012:
 - 2012 Olympic Team Members who signed the 2011-12 APA will continue to receive the APA stipend.
 - 2012 Olympic Team Members who did not sign the 2011-12 APA will receive the standard monthly stipend.

2011-2012 USA SWIMMING NATIONAL JUNIOR TEAM

Team will be announced September 1, 2011

- ❖ The top six athletes in Olympic events from the 2011 ConocoPhillips National Championships
- ❖ Athletes must be 18U at the start date of the 2011 ConocoPhillips National Championships
- ❖ Athletes starting University in Fall 2011 are eligible to make this team
- ❖ Times from prelims and finals only will be used Relay lead offs and time trials will not be considered
- ❖ Athletes who competed at the Olympic Games, World Championships [LCM or SCM], Japan Grand Prix, World University Games, or Pan Pacs for the USA National Team are not eligible.

2011-2012 USA SWIMMING OPEN WATER NATIONAL JUNIOR TEAM

Team will be announced June 13, 2011

- ❖ Top three American finishers at the 2011 Open Water 10K National Championships by athletes who 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, or Pan Pacs for the USA National Team are not eligible.

*ADDENDUM TO 2011-2012 NATIONAL TEAM CRITERIA

Current (as of September 2010): The USA Swimming 2011-2012 National Team qualifying criteria is the top six swimmers in each Olympic individual event, once times are compared from the following three events: 2011 World Championships (July 24-31, 2011) - prelims, semis and finals; 2011 ConocoPhillips USA Swimming National Championships (August 2-6, 2011) - finals only; and 2011 World University Games (August 8-14, 2011) - A & B finals only. Time Trial Swims, relay lead offs and swim offs are not included.

Addendum (as of November 5, 2010): Given the back to back timing of the 2011 World Championships in Shanghai, and the 2011 ConocoPhillips National Championships in Palo Alto, California, it may be very difficult for those athletes competing in Shanghai to come back and swim optimal times in Palo Alto, California at the 2011 ConocoPhillips National Championships. Athletes who have qualified for the 2011 World Championships Team as relay-only swimmers are compromising their opportunity to qualify for the 2011-2012 National Team as they will not have the opportunity to post an individual time at the 2011 World Championships and it will be difficult for them to turn in an optimal performance in Palo Alto, California at the National Championships. USA Swimming has decided to offer the 2011 World Championship relay-only athletes an opportunity to swim an individual time in Shanghai in an organized time trial. That time will count for the purposes of qualifying for the 2011-2012 National Team. Athletes will have one opportunity to swim a time trial in each relay-only position for which they have qualified (in other words, a 4 x 100 Freestyle relay-only swimmer would swim a single time trial in the 100 Freestyle; 4 x 200 Freestyle relay-only swimmers would swim a single time trial in the 200 Freestyle; and an athlete who qualified as relay-only swimmer in the 4 x 100 Freestyle Relay and the 4 x 200 Freestyle Relay would have the opportunity to swim time trials in both the 100 and 200 Freestyles.)

Time Trials will be conducted on a date and time coordinated with FINA and the 2011 World Championship Team Head Coaches.

Athletes who are on the 2011 World Championships team in an individual event will not have the time trial opportunity, as they will have opportunities to qualify for the 2011-2012 National Team in their individual events (in Shanghai). Nothing in this addendum will preclude any 2011 World Championship Team members (individual event or relay-only) from swimming at the Conoco Phillips National Championships in Palo Alto, California, August 2-6, 2011, and having those times count for 2011-2012 National Team eligibility.

In addition, at the 2011 World Championships (July 24-31, 2011), 2011 ConocoPhillips USA Swimming National Championships (August 2-6, 2011), and the 2011 World University Games (August 8-14, 2011) – time from prelims, semis and finals will be considered for selection to the National Team.