



South Australian Sports Institute

**SASI Swimming Program
Selection Criteria 2019/20**

1 July 2019 – 30 June 2020

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SASI SQUAD SELECTION POLICY

APPLICABLE TO ALL SASI SPORTS PROGRAMS AND ATHLETES

1. ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for a SASI Scholarship:

- Athletes must be an Australian citizen (or undertaking all reasonable steps to become an Australian citizen).
- Athletes must be a resident of South Australia for 3 months prior to selection, unless the athlete is a national team/squad member and the transition to SA is supported by program partners.
- Athletes must be a registered athlete with the relevant South Australian State Sporting Organisation.
- Athletes must comply with the relevant sports interstate transfer policies.

Note:

- This eligibility requirement does not include athletes who will continue to be supported interstate or overseas if relocation to these areas is supported by the SASI Head Coach¹ as part of their development pathway (eg National Squads).*
- Eligibility does not apply to visiting scholarships, ie athletes from other SIS/SAS programs.*

2. SELECTIONS

- Selections for SASI Squad programs will be conducted in consultation with State and National Sporting Organisations, and endorsed by the SASI Joint Management Committee (JMC).
- Selections for SASI Squad programs will be determined by a Selection Panel, which must include the SASI Head Coach¹.
- Sport specific selection criteria will be developed by the SASI Head Coach¹ and the Selection Panel, and will take into account any national criteria as part of the National High Performance Pathway.
- Scholarships can be offered as full or associate and will, as a principle, cover a 12 month period. Shorter periods may be offered (eg.1 – 3 month trial). Reviews may be conducted by the Selection Panel and SASI reserve the right to add or remove athletes to/from a scholarship squad at any time.

¹In the absence of a SASI Head Coach the Program Manager/Coordinator will fulfil this role

3. ATHLETE OBLIGATIONS

All athletes who have been selected in the SASI Squad program must:

- Have the intention to compete and/or be involved in active training (including injury recovery and rehabilitation);
- Abide by the terms and conditions as outlined in the SASI Athlete Agreement and other SASI policies;
- Have met the sport specific selection criteria, or be selected as a developing potential elite athlete as determined by the appointed Selection Panel.

4. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

Achieving the nominated selection criteria does not automatically qualify the athlete for SASI Squad selection. Other factors that may be taken into consideration when determining final selections are:

- Whether the athlete has been charged with and/or convicted of a criminal offence;

- Whether the athlete has previously breached their Athlete Agreement or other SASI policies, as outlined in the SASI Athlete Agreement and the SASI Athlete Behaviour and Discipline Policy;
- Whether the athlete has previously behaved in a manner that has brought or has the capacity to bring SASI into disrepute;
- Where it has been clearly demonstrated, based on previous behaviour or information, that the athlete has the capacity to bring SASI into disrepute;
- Whether the athlete has been de-registered, suspended or denied membership with either their State or National Sporting Organisation;
- Where the Selection Panel determines that, notwithstanding achievement of the selection criteria, the athlete has not demonstrated the ability to progress/ improve to Australian representation at Junior and / or Senior level.

5. QUERIES ON SELECTION

- The SASI Program Manager or the SASI Head Coach¹, are the only officers authorised by SASI to respond to any questions concerning the athletes selected for SASI Squads, in accordance with this Selection policy and the sport specific selection policy.
- All questions concerning any aspect of selection must be in writing and addressed to the SASI Program Manager, or the SASI Head Coach¹, for consideration by the Selection Panel.

SASI Swimming Program Selection Criteria 2019/20

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1. Eligibility

- Scholarship qualifying events include Olympic events only.
- Qualifying events are limited to:
 - o **Australian Open Championships**
 - o **National Age Championships**
 - o **World Championship Selection Trials**

- Swimmers must be in full-time training and coached by a nationally accredited coach.
- 'Eligibility' does not necessarily guarantee a SASI scholarship offer.

Olympic Events

Women													
50 FS	100 FS	200 FS	400 FS	800 FS	1500 FS	100 BK	200 BK	100 BS	200 BS	100 BF	200 BF	200 IM	400 IM
Men													
50 FS	100 FS	200 FS	400 FS	800 FS	1500 FS	100 BK	200 BK	100 BS	200 BS	100 BF	200 BF	200 IM	400 IM

2. SASI Swimming Scholarship Categories

SASI SCHOLARSHIP
<p>CRITERIA</p> <p>1. <u>SAL Categorisation levels</u>: Podium, Podium Ready, Podium Potential, International</p> <p>2. <u>Qualifying results will only come from the following events</u>: Australian Open Championships, National Age Championships, World Championships Selection Trials.</p> <p>3. Long Course results only</p> <p><u>OPEN WATER 10km</u>: Top 3 at the National Open Water Championships in 2019 (Senior only)</p>

SASI ASSOCIATE SCHOLARSHIP

CRITERIA

1. SAL Categorisation levels: **Developing, Emerging**
2. Qualifying results will only come from the following events: **Australian Open Championships, National Age Championships, World Championships Selection Trials.**
3. Long Course results only
4. Athletes performing at or better than the % of SAL benchmark times identified per age category below.

Males

- a) Open – 3%
- b) 20/21 yrs - 4%
- c) 18/19 yrs - 5%
- d) 17/u yrs - 6%

Females

- a) Open - 3%
- b) 19/20 yrs – 4%
- c) 17/18 yrs - 5%
- d) 16/u yrs - 6%

**Multi Class athletes please refer to section 7*

SASI Swimming Scholarship Selection

Selections for the SASI Swimming Program each scholarship year will be made by the SASI Swimming Selection Panel and will be ratified by the Program Joint Management Committee (JMC).

The SASI Swimming Selection Panel will consist of the SASI Head Coach, the SASI Assistant Coach (if applicable), the SASI HP Coordinator, the South Australia State Coach and a representative from Swimming South Australia.

Selection of Swimmers for the SASI program will be based on the following three parameters:

(a) show improvement in their year-by-year results in National competition,

(b) fulfill the eligibility requirements to be considered for a SASI scholarship (Part A of this document) and

(c) achieve one or both sets of criteria as listed above for SASI Scholarship or Associate Scholarship

Scholarship Levels

a) SASI Scholarship

A SASI Scholarship will be offered to athletes who meet the selection criteria and eligibility requirements outlined in Swimming Australia's categorisation criteria (as described in Appendix A) for the Podium, Podium Ready, Podium Potential and International levels.

Athlete support will be prioritised and tiered based on each athlete's categorisation level and dependant on number of scholarship athletes within the swimming program.

b) Open Water Scholarships

Medallists at the 2019 Australian Open Water Swimming Championships in the 10km senior event only will be offered a SASI Scholarship. The level of this scholarship and support will be at the discretion of SASI.

c) **SASI Associate Scholarships**

A SASI Associate Scholarship will be offered to athletes that achieve the selection criteria as decided by the SASI Swimming Selection Panel and ratified by Swimming Australia.

Specialist support and activities agreed to by the Joint Management Committee will be delivered with the aim of strengthening the development pathway for talented South Australian swimmers onto junior and senior national squads and teams.

Additions to SASI Swimming Program

Swimmers may be added to the SASI Program with support of a scholarship under special circumstances. The decision for this would be at the discretion of the Joint Management Committee.

- Swimmers who make the senior National Team for a major international long course meet i.e., Olympic Games, World Championships, Pan Pacs and Commonwealth Games, in an Olympic event, who are not currently on scholarship will be eligible for support.
- Swimmers who achieve a qualifying time at a meet other than the major long course championship may be considered for addition to the program. This will depend on the number of athletes in the program and support will be at the discretion of the Joint Management Committee.
- Qualified swimmers who move to South Australia from interstate will be considered for addition to the program. Swimmers who are current National Squad members in Olympic events will be eligible for immediate addition to the program with the approval of SAL, irrespective of the number already on scholarship.
- Swimmers identified by the National Head Coach and who have been invited and attend national team camps will be considered at the discretion of the JMC.
- Junior swimmers who achieve the SASI Selection Criteria early in a competition season.

6. Scholarship retention

- Swimmers who have been on SASI Scholarship for the previous year must show an appropriate performance progression at the 2018 National Championships in comparison to the time performed at the 2017 National Championships in the event in which they qualified or qualify in another event. With the exception of Podium and Podium Ready athletes who will need to maintain performance.
- Athletes who re-qualify at a lower scholarship level than the one they are currently on or swim a slower time than the previous year, recorded at the Australian Championships (Open or Age) are not guaranteed re-selection. Retention of scholarships in these instances will be at the discretion of the Joint Management Committee.
- There will be performance and scholarship reviews every 6 months and scholarships may be terminated or downgraded at the discretion of the Joint Management Committee. Athletes may also be added at this time, being at the discretion of the Joint Management Committee.

7. Multi Class Athletes

The SASI Individual Athlete Program (IAP) provides support to athletes with a disability competing in Paralympic events.

To gain support through this program individual athletes must lodge an application for an IAP scholarship. Scholarship applications are called in October/November each year for scholarships that are offered on a calendar year basis.

APPENDIX A

SAL Athlete Categorisation Performance Criteria 2017 – 2020 (Olympic Pool Performance Pathway)

	SAL CATEGORY	DESCRIPTOR
SCHOLARSHIP	PODIUM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Athlete who had medal performance in an individual Olympic event, at a World Championship or Olympics in the previous 24 months (inclusive of 2 benchmark events). • Finalist member of a relay team who had medal performance in Olympic events or at a World Championships or Olympics at the most recent benchmark event. <p><i>And considered capable of a medal performance at the next international benchmark event (Olympic Games or World Championships)</i></p>
	PODIUM READY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual or finalist member of a relay team, who placed 4th – 8th in Olympic events, at a World Championship or Olympics in the previous 12 months (most recent benchmark event). • For years where there has not been an Olympic Games or World Championships with the last 12 months (2018), the following rankings for Pool athlete based of the Virtual World Championships will be relevant: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Individual swimmer ranked 1st – 8th - Finalist member of relay team ranked 1st – 8th <p>Note: For years where there has not been an Olympic Games or World Championships within the last 12 months (2018).</p> <p><i>And considered capable of progressing to Podium in the next two years</i></p>
	PODIUM POTENTIAL	<p><u>PODIUM POTENTIAL A</u> An athlete who is a member of the current benchmark team (selected in an Olympic event), who also qualified for their first benchmark team with the last 24 months (two most recent benchmark teams) <i>And considered capable of progressing to Podium Ready</i></p> <p><u>PODIUM POTENTIAL B</u> An athlete who did not qualify for the most recent benchmark team but who was a member of the previous benchmark team (selected in an Olympic event) and is still deemed as having potential to progress to Podium Ready level. An athlete who did not qualify for the most recent benchmark team but who has achieved a time in the current calendar year at the Australian Championships or a designated international meet that is ranked top 8 in the work (based on previous year 2/nation world rankings). <i>And considered capable of progressing to Podium Ready in the next two years</i></p>

	INTERNATIONAL	An athlete who is a member of the current benchmark team, but who has not progressed to and maintained Podium Ready category or higher within 24 months of making their first benchmark team.
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ASSOCIATE SCHOLARSHIP	DEVELOPING	An athlete who is a current member of the SAL Youth Transition Squad. <i>And considered capable of progressing to at least Podium Potential in the next two years.</i>
	EMERGING	An athlete who is a current member of the SAL Junior International Benchmark Team (Olympic event athlete selected on the Junior Benchmark Team have achieved a qualifying standard equal to or better than 8 th in to the final at the most recent Senior World Championships +5%.) <i>And considered capable of progressing to at least Developing in the next two years.</i>

Note: SAL Commonwealth Gold is not applicable

ASSOCIATE SCHOLARSHIP - ADDITIONS

TALENT	Junior swimmers who are currently not supported by an Associate Scholarship but have been identified by the SASI Head Coach, State Head Coach and SSA Athlete and Coach Performance Officer who have a positive performance trajectory and who have achieved or bettered the % benchmark time for their age.
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APPENDIX B

SASI Swimming Program – 2019/20 Selection Times

Men														
Scholarship Level / Event	50 FS	100 FS	200 FS	400 FS	800 FS	1500 FS	100 BK	200 BK	100 BS	200 BS	100 BF	200 BF	200 IM	400 IM
Benchmark	21.77	48.31	01:46.28	03:46.14	07:50.97	14:59.32	53.76	01:56.11	59.24	02:08.80	51.31	01:55.58	01:57.81	04:15.69
3% of Benchmark (Open)	22.42	49.76	01:49.47	03:52.92	08:05.10	15:26.30	55.37	01:59.59	61.02	02:12.66	52.85	01:59.05	02:01.34	04:23.36
4% of Benchmark (20/21yrs)	22.64	50.24	01:50.53	03:55.19	08:09.81	15:35.29	55.91	02:00.75	61.61	02:13.95	53.36	02:00.20	02:02.52	04:25.92
5% of Benchmark (18/19yrs)	22.86	50.73	01:51.59	03:57.45	08:14.52	15:44.29	56.45	02:01.92	62.20	02:15.24	53.88	02:01.36	02:03.70	04:28.47
6% of Benchmark (17/U)	23.08	51.21	01:52.66	03:59.71	08:19.23	15:53.28	56.99	02:03.08	62.79	02:16.53	54.39	02:02.51	02:04.88	04:31.03

Women														
Scholarship Level / Event	50 FS	100 FS	200 FS	400 FS	800 FS	1500 FS	100 BK	200 BK	100 BS	200 BS	100 BF	200 BF	200 IM	400 IM
Benchmark	24.59	53.20	01:56.34	04:06.48	08:30.66	16:20.98	59.82	02:07.64	66.81	02:23.81	57.64	02:07.82	02:10.45	04:37.14
3% of Benchmark (Open)	25.33	54.80	01:59.83	04:13.87	08:45.98	16:50.41	61.61	02:11.47	68.81	02:28.12	59.37	02:11.65	02:14.36	04:45.45
4% of Benchmark (19/20yrs)	25.57	55.33	02:00.99	04:16.34	08:51.09	17:00.22	62.21	02:12.75	69.48	02:29.56	59.95	02:12.93	02:15.67	04:48.23
5% of Benchmark (17/18yrs)	25.82	55.86	02:02.16	04:18.80	08:56.19	17:10.03	62.81	02:14.02	70.15	02:31.00	60.52	02:14.21	02:16.97	04:51.00
6% of Benchmark (16/U)	26.07	56.39	02:03.32	04:21.27	09:01.30	17:19.84	63.41	02:15.30	70.82	02:32.44	61.10	02:15.49	02:18.28	04:53.77