

TELSTRA AUSTRALIAN DOLPHINS SQUADS

Eligibility

To be eligible for selection as a member of the Telstra Australian Dolphins Squads, the swimmer must be an Australian Citizen who is eligible to represent Australia according to the rules of FINA and is currently a registered member of Swimming Australia Ltd and of good standing.

Selection Criteria

Pool Swimmers

Period: January 2007 – March 2008

Gold Squad: All swimmers that are selected on the 2007 World Championship Team.

Silver Squad: The second, third and fourth placed Australians in individual Olympic events other than the 100m freestyle and 200m freestyle at the 2007 Australian Championships and the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth Australian place getters in the 100m freestyle and 200m freestyle finals at the 2007 Australian Championships if not selected in the major team.

Bronze Squad: All other swimmers selected onto teams to represent Australia not included in the Gold or Silver Squad (ie. Oceania, Junior Pan Pacs, etc.).

Priority 4: The selectors may recommend for inclusion in the Telstra Dolphins Squad swimmers who have not met the above criteria if they have achieved or are listed in the Top 50 FINA Long Course World Rankings to 31 December 2006 provided they are:

1. Not retired;
2. Not absent overseas;
3. Still training at the level required for international success or are participating in a rehabilitation program after injury.

Open Water Swimmers

Period: January 2007 – December 2007

Gold Squad: All open water swimmers that are selected in the 2007 Australian World Championship Team.

Silver Squad: The 2nd placed Australians in the 5km and 25km events and 3rd – 5th placed Australians in the 10km event at the 2007 Australian Open Water Swimming Championships if not selected in the 2007 World Championship Team.
Athletes selected onto the 2007 Junior Pan Pac Team.

Paralympic Program Swimmers

Period: January 2007 – March 2008

Additional Eligibility:

Swimmers (S1 – S14) will be considered, but must be eligible to represent Australia according to the rules of IPC Swimming and they must be able to satisfy SAL that their classification is correct.

Gold Squad: All swimmers that swim a Priority 1 selection time at either the 2006 IPC Swimming World Championships OR 2007 Telstra Australian Championships

Silver Squad: All swimmers that swim a Priority 2 selection time at either the 2006 IPC Swimming World Championships OR 2007 Telstra Australian Championships

General

1. In exceptional circumstances the Swimming Australia Selectors have discretion to recommend additions to the Telstra Dolphins Squads throughout the period of the Squads formation.
2. Periodical reviews will be carried out in respect to swimmers commitment to training and competition of all Telstra Dolphins Squad members.