



CRITERIA FOR SELECTING ALTERNATES FOR JAMAICA NATIONAL TEAMS FOR SWIMMING (including Open Water)

1. These criteria will apply to all National Team Selection for Swimming (including Open Water), save and except where the selection rules for the relevant competition does not allow for the selection of alternates.
2. An “Alternate” is a competitor selected in accordance with these rules to compete as a substitute for an athlete who:
 - a. Is an Automatic Qualifier (as defined below);
 - b. But is unavailable to represent Jamaica at the relevant event for which National Team Selection is being considered; and
 - c. At least 48 hours prior to the final date for submission of entries to the organizers of the upcoming competition, the ASAJ has confirmed information that the Automatic Qualifier will not be available to compete at the relevant competition.
3. For the purposes of these guidelines, an “Automatic Qualifier” is an athlete who, based on the rankings of all athletes registered with the ASAJ with times recorded during the qualifying period, satisfies the original criteria for National Team Selection.
4. To be eligible for selection, an Alternate must:
 - a. Satisfy the minimum qualification time standards established by the ASAJ for the National Team Selection, for example 2 “AAA” times for CCCAN and 2 “AA” times for CARIFTA.
 - b. Satisfy all other criteria established for automatic selection, save and except for the ranking criteria; for example, the athlete should have 2 “AAA” times for CCCAN but was not ranked 1st or 2nd in at least two events based on the complete ranking which includes the Automatic Qualifiers.
5. An Alternate may be selected based on the rules for individual events and also for relays.
6. For the selection of Alternates, the Hy-Tek rankings must be reseeded by omitting the unavailable Automatic Qualifier(s). The highest ranked Alternate(s) (based on Rule 4 above) is to be selected to fill the vacancy that arose due to the unavailability of the Automatic Qualifier(s). Where there’s a tie, the tie is broken by selecting the athlete with the highest AQUA points.
7. Alternates cannot be selected to substitute for Alternates. In other words, Alternates are only selected to substitute for Automatic Qualifiers.



8. Automatic Qualifiers who are not selected to the team shall first be selected as alternates; for example in the case of the Goodwill games or CARIFTA where the Team size may be limited by the summons and some automatic qualifiers may not have originally been named to the team, they shall first be named alternates before the application of Rule 6 above.
9. The final publication of the National Team for the relevant competition is to include the names of all Automatic Qualifiers and Alternates.
10. All Team Members including Alternates will be ratified by the council of the ASAJ.

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