

Competition, Location	2024 Australian Open Championships Gold Coast, Australia
Competition Dates	17-20 April 2024
Qualification Window	As per Swimming Australia – 1 st Jan 2023 – 28 March 2024 SAQ window ends March 17, 2024 (End of 54 th SNAG)
Initial Release Date	23 Jan 2024
NOTES	<p>Overseas Based Swimmers (OBS) are eligible for selection although cost of travel will follow that for Locally Based Swimmers (LBS), anything above will be responsibility of athlete regardless of funding level achieved (not including SPEX Scholars). For LBS, travel costs include the round trip to competition location from Singapore. Costs incurred from any travel deviations will have to be borne by the athlete.</p> <p>This competition has three funding levels: (See Table 1 and 2 for Competition Fees allocation)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tier 1 – Fully funded (includes SPEX Scholars) • Tier 2 – 50% of costs (Tracie to provide cost estimate) • Tier 3 – Self Funded
Selection Events	<p>53rd SNAG – March 2023 32nd Sea Games – May 2023 18th SNSC – June 2023 World Championships, Fukuoka – July 2023 Commonwealth Youth Games – Aug 2023 World Juniors – Sept 2023 Asian Games – Sept 2023 Japan Open – Dec 2023 54th SNAG – March 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overseas Based Athletes not returning for SGP based National Qualification meets can utilize the following standardised windows where the SGP meet falls to substitute those meets with eligible qualification meets within the Qualification Window (Ends 17th March 2024): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Trimester 1 – January 1 to April 30 ○ Trimester 2 – May 1 to August 31 ○ Trimester 3 – Sept 1 to Dec 31 • Overseas Based Athletes selected meets must comply with World Aquatics rules. Submission of these meets must be received prior to the selected event and by the latest at Singapore Aquatics (SAQ) by 1700hrs, prior to participation in their selection meet. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Nomination of Overseas meet is to be sent to sonya.porter@sqaquatics.org.sg ○ The overseas based athlete is responsible to seek clarification from the host country that the meet is officiated under World Aquatics rules. ○ Any times submitted that are not from an eligible qualifying sanctioned event will NOT be accepted. ○ Official results must be sent directly to SAQ within two days of the meet conclusion, at latest by 17 March 2024. ○ Send results to tracie.tan@sqaquatics.org.sg

<p>Age Criteria</p>	<p>This is an Open Meet for athletes attaining the minimum time standards. There is an Age Classification only for Men 19-20yrs and Women 18-19yrs: (Age as of 17 April 2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age Category refers to Finals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A Final ○ Age Final ○ B Final <p>As per Swimming Australia Competition Rules</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The minimum age for swimmers at open Australian swimming events is 13 years for females, 14 years for males and 12 years for MC swimmers as at the first day of competition
<p>Eligibility</p>	<p>To be considered for selection, a swimmer must meet ALL the following eligibility criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be a Singapore citizen, eligible to represent Singapore. • Be a registered member of SAQ in good standing. • Have a signed current SAQ Athlete Agreement. • Have competed in an above qualification meet unless granted an exemption under the provisions of the criteria by the SAQ Selection committee. This exemption will only be granted due to extenuating circumstances. On request of SAQ, evidence shall be provided of the extenuating circumstances, prior to the exemption being considered. Extenuating circumstances can include but is not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Injury or Illness b. Equipment Failure c. Travel Delays d. Bereavement e. Such other circumstances as the selectors may consider to be relevant. • Continues to train for, behave and act towards peak swimming performance. • Be available to fulfil the Team Commitments as listed below and any additional commitments following selection, as allowed by the permanent geographical training location. • Not used or administered any substance which, if it had been detected as being present in the athlete’s body tissue or fluids, would have constituted doping, or used any prohibited method or committed any other doping offence as defined in ADS’s, WADA or WA’s Anti-Doping By-law.
<p>Team Commitments</p>	<p>All swimmers and officials must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comply with the provisions of the SAQ Athletes/Officials Agreement at all times. • Conform to SAQ requirements regarding team participation. This includes, but may not be limited to, providing an acceptable training plan, attendance at a pre-event camp and wearing team uniform as required. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Make themselves available for all team activities designated by SAQ. b. Pre-travel Briefing session (Dates TBD) • Not act in such a manner as to bring the athlete or SAQ into public disrepute. • All swimmers and officials are required to appear at events and platforms whereby their images and presence are used to achieve SAQ’s objectives.

<p>Performance Requirements</p>	<p>To be considered for selection for individual events for the 2024 Australian Open Championships, swimmers are required to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Achieve the minimum time standard as set by Swim Australia for the meet. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Table 1 – Wildcard Standards • SAQ will not restrict the number of swimmers traveling to the meet if the Wildcard Standard is achieved. However: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Wildcard swimmers will be required to provide their own coach and responsible for all expenses and travel arrangements for the meet. b. There will be no limit to qualifiers per event. • The selection of athletes that have met all the eligibility and Tier 1 & 2 Performance Requirements will be announced on March 18, 2024. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Total Team numbers will be restricted to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. SPEX Athletes – No restriction ii. Tier 1 and 2 – Combined up to 6 fully funded swimmers. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Swimmers will be ranked by highest swimming points (FP) if more have achieved the Performance Requirements than funds available. 2. Tie for final spot will be broken by ranking of next highest qualifying FP and so on. 3. If a swimmer declines invitation, an invitation will be sent to next eligible swimmer. iii. Junior Carding Group A – Can use this as their International Meet for 2024 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This will be in addition to the maximum funded spots. iv. All additional eligible swimmers will fall under the Wildcard category. <p>Criteria for Selection for Relay Events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Selections for relays will be done from within the total team selected for the 2024 Australian Open Championships. • SAQ philosophy is to ensure that the best possible relay team is on the blocks representing Singapore at the Championship meet. The final composition of the team will be determined by the coaching and management staff at the competition.
<p>Coaches Selection</p>	<p>There will not be a Head Coach nomination for this meet. Coaches will be selected as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. SPEX Athlete Nominated Coach 2. Up to 2 coaches at a ratio of 1-6 for Tier 1-2 qualified swimmers <p>Coaches must be registered as NROC and CoachSAQ members to be selected.</p> <p>The coaches will be selected in accordance of the following priority.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Nominated Coach (Coach of record) based on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Highest rank of Tier 1-2 swimmers selected, then b. Total number of Tier 1-2 swimmers selected.

	<p>2. Nominated Club Coach based on the number of tier 1+2 swimmers on the team</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The National Head Coach will have the discretion to add coaches to the team for development purposes.
<p>Competition Fees</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The individual fees for the 2024 Australian Open Championship shall be as follows. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. This is a SELF-FUNDED meet, except for those achieving Tier 1 & 2 criteria (Table 2) b. Funding Eligibility Tiers (1, 2) determine the cost swimmers are responsible for (See Table 2) c. SAQ will cover the cost of coaches selected to the team for Tier 1& 2 athletes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. All Wildcard athletes are responsible for their own coaches costs d. There will not be a team kit provided for this championship. • To accept the invitation to travel, Tier 2 swimmers are required to make payment for travel along with their completed athlete agreement co-signed by a parent or guardian if under 18 years of age by the 24th March, 2024. • A package of information including associated costs will be posted to SAQ Website as soon as details are received from the host. <p>Costs based on return flights from Singapore.</p>
<p>Notes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Singapore Aquatics may amend these selection criteria at any time in its sole discretion by giving adequate notice to those swimmers who meet the eligibility criteria. • If a swimmer is unable to satisfy SAQ requirements after selection and needs to withdraw from the team, SAQ may at their discretion select the next swimmer who has met all the eligibility and performance requirements. SAQ reserve the right to request that any swimmer being considered for selection under the provisions of this clause undertakes a fitness test, the parameters of which will be determined by the National Head Coach at his/her sole discretion. <p>The selection committee will consist of the following.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vice-President (Swimming) • Assistant Secretary General (Swimming) • National Head Coach • Technical Director • National Training Centre Head Coach <p>The appeals committee will consist of the following</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SAQ President • SAQ Secretary General • Ho Mun Wai
<p>Approved Date</p>	<p>23 January 2024</p>

Table 1 – Wildcard Standards (Tier 3 – Self Funded)

QUALIFYING TIMES
2024 Australian Open Championships
 Gold Coast Aquatic Centre, Southport QLD
 17-20 April 2024

MEN OPEN & 19-20 YRS	EVENT	WOMEN OPEN & 18-19 YRS
24.22	50m Freestyle	27.72
53.77	100m Freestyle	59.30
1:57.65	200m Freestyle	2:09.96
4:11.78	400m Freestyle	4:34.88
8:40.74	800m Freestyle	9:26.99
16:35.66	1500m Freestyle	17:50.96
28.17	50m Backstroke	31.34
1:00.50	100m Backstroke	1:07.65
2:12.69	200m Backstroke	2:26.61
30.96	50m Breaststroke	35.31
1:07.69	100m Breaststroke	1:16.57
2:26.66	200m Breaststroke	2:44.84
26.41	50m Butterfly	29.32
58.58	100m Butterfly	1:04.69
2:11.72	200m Butterfly	2:26.23
2:12.46	200m Individual Medley	2:26.50
4:46.56	400m Individual Medley	5:13.15
RELAYS		
3:32.42	4 x 100m Free	3:57.94
7:49.28	4 x 200m Free	8:39.37
3:53.07	4 x 100m Medley	4:23.54
4:08.15	MIXED 4 x 100m Medley	4:08.15

Age as at 17th April, 2024.

Only Long Course times can be used to enter this event.

Qualifying times must be achieved after 1st January, 2023.

Entries close 11:59pm AEDT Thursday 28th March, 2024 - Times achieved after the closing date will not be accepted under any circumstances.



Table 2 – Tier 1&2 Funding Criteria

2024 Australian Open Championships				
Event	Women - Qualification Times			
	Open 18-19 YRS WildCard	Funding Eligibility Cuts - % from SEAG Gold		
		Tier 2 - 3%	Tier 1-1%	SG Gold
50 Free	0:27.72	0:25.79	0:25.29	0:25.04
100 Free	0:59.30	0:57.50	0:56.39	0:55.83
200 Free	2:09.96	2:05.41	2:02.98	2:01.76
400 Free	4:34.88	4:22.83	4:17.72	4:15.17
800 Free	9:26.99	8:56.68	8:46.26	8:41.05
1500 Free	17:50.96	17:06.63	16:46.70	16:36.73
50 Back	0:31.34	0:29.76	0:29.18	0:28.89
100 Back	1:07.65	1:03.49	1:02.26	1:01.64
200 Back	2:26.61	2:17.20	2:14.53	2:13.20
50 Breast	0:35.31	0:32.16	0:31.53	0:31.22
100 Breast	1:16.57	1:09.98	1:08.62	1:07.94
200 Breast	2:44.84	2:32.94	2:29.97	2:28.49
50 Fly	0:29.32	0:27.45	0:26.92	0:26.65
100 Fly	1:04.69	1:00.79	0:59.61	0:59.02
200 Fly	2:26.23	2:14.55	2:11.94	2:10.63
200 IM	2:26.50	2:18.52	2:15.83	2:14.49
400 IM	5:13.15	4:55.87	4:50.12	4:47.25

2024 Australian Age Championships				
Event	MENS - Qualification Times			
	Open 19-20Yrs WildCard	Funding Eligibility Cuts - % from SEAG Gold		
		B-3%	A-1%	SG Gold
50 Free	0:24.22	0:22.61	0:22.17	0:21.95
100 Free	0:53.77	0:50.26	0:49.29	0:48.80
200 Free	1:57.65	1:52.18	1:50.00	1:48.91
400 Free	4:11.78	3:56.38	3:51.80	3:49.50
800 Free	8:40.74	8:11.98	8:02.43	7:57.65
1500 Free	16:35.66	15:38.58	15:20.35	15:11.24
50 Back	0:28.17	0:25.91	0:25.41	0:25.16
100 Back	1:00.50	0:56.88	0:55.77	0:55.22
200 Back	2:12.69	2:04.93	2:02.50	2:01.29
50 Breast	0:30.96	0:28.53	0:27.98	0:27.70
100 Breast	1:07.69	1:02.80	1:01.58	1:00.97
200 Breast	2:26.66	2:15.39	2:12.76	2:11.45
50 Fly	0:26.41	0:24.15	0:23.68	0:23.45
100 Fly	0:58.58	0:53.60	0:52.56	0:52.04
200 Fly	2:11.72	2:03.02	2:00.63	1:59.44
200 IM	2:12.46	2:04.92	2:02.49	2:01.28
400 IM	4:46.56	4:26.89	4:21.71	4:19.12

Tier 3 - Self Funded Note: Age as of 17 April 2024
 Tier 2 - 50% of total travel cost
 Tier 1 - Fully Funded

Regardless of funding level achieved there is a total limit to funding available per trip.