



1. POLICY PURPOSE

1.1. This selection policy outlines the process to select the swimming (pool) team to represent Swim England NE Region at the 2026 AP Race London International.

2. PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES

2.1 The objectives for this event are to maximise race experience for athletes on a trajectory for a Swim England or Aquatics GB programme.

3. TEAM SIZE

3.1 Up to a maximum of 44 athletes will be selected for the 2026 AP Race London International. There is no obligation on Swim England NE Region to select 44 athletes and the total team size will be determined by the Director of Aquatics (HOA) at their complete discretion.

4. SELECTION PROCESS

4.1 Swimmers must be born in 2009 or earlier to be eligible for selection.

4.2 Selections will be based on long course performances during 2025-2026 and taken from swimmingresults.org - rankings. Swimmers will be ranked for selection based on the highest number of World Aquatics points in Olympic individual events.

5. SELECTION NOTIFICATIONS

5.1 All athletes selected will be notified by email on or before the end of April 2026. Athletes will be informed of the costs associated with this event in their selection pack. A £50 Deposit must be paid by with the remaining balance paid in full or in instalments by 20th May 2026.

SELECTION POLICY GENERAL CONDITIONS ELIGIBILITY

Swimmers must: Be a member of a Swim England NE Region affiliated club (ranked club) and actively training and competing within the Region, born 2009 or earlier (i.e. 17yrs and over during 2026). Have completed a Selection Acceptance Form to confirm they will be available to participate by the deadline to be imposed by Swim England NE Region. Failure to do so will be interpreted as non-availability by Swim England NE Region. Selection Acceptance Forms will be provided by Swim England NE Region to qualifying team members. Be available to fulfil all team commitments from the time of selection through to the AP Race London International 2026. **TEAM COMMITMENTS** All Team members will be required to: Comply with the Swim England NE Region Code of Conduct. A breach of the Swim England NE Region Code of Conduct may result in de-selection from the team. Adhere to all prescribed travel arrangements which might involve different travel dates to other members of the team. Abide by media protocols of the Swim England NE Region. Athletes must only speak to the media or comment on social media about their own performances.

WITHDRAWALS AND REPLACEMENTS If for any reason a swimmer is unable or unwilling to fully comply with the Team Commitments they may be withdrawn from the team. Swimmers becoming unfit due to illness or injury (physical or mental) at any time following their selection must notify Swim England NE Region. In the event of injury or illness athletes may be deselected.

Refunds will be made if replacement swimmer can be found. No refunds will be possible after close of entries.