

Swimming Wellington

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Swimming Wellington Competition parameters

National Championships:

- See SNZ requirements [here](#)

Regional Championships:

- Open to current, financial, competitive swimmers
- Run to SNZ/FINA rules, a national qualifying meet
- Swimming Wellington is meet organiser
- Age varies by meet (age group; 12 year & under; 13 years and over).
- Qualifying times achieved at any meet in the database can be used to qualify (Tiers 1, 2 & 3).
- Qualifying period a maximum of two years from the date of the meet.

Tier 1 meets:

- Open to current, financial, competitive swimmers
- Run to FINA/SNZ rules, a national qualifying meet
- Swimming Wellington is meet organiser
- Senior meet, 13&O only.
- (currently) no qualifying times. One 'no time' (NT) permitted
- Times achieved at any meet in the database can be used as entry times

Tier 2 meets:

- Open to current, financial, club and competitive swimmers
- Run to SNZ/FINA rules, a national qualifying meet
- Meets assigned on Swimming Wellington calendar. SW appoints one club as meet organiser
- There are no qualifying times
- Organisers may limit 'NTs'
- Times achieved at any meet in the database can be used as entry times

Tier 3 meets:

- Open to all swimmers, but specifically intended to cater for new or 'novice' swimmers .
- Meets to be run as 'non-SNZ approved'.
- SW clubs are meet organiser, a regional qualifying meet
- No qualifying times and NTs permitted.
- For 'non-SNZ approved' meets organisers are encouraged to use a 'skills correction' sheet to help educate, encourage and develop new swimmers.

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Long-Term Athlete Development Pathway / Competition Levels

As per Swimming New Zealand's guidelines the regional pathway has been designed with Long Term Athlete Development (LTAD) in mind. Swimmers can target each level of competition from participation at grassroots to performance at a national level. See below the Wellington and SNZ event structures.

LEVEL	Events	Long Term Athlete Development (LTAD)
High Performance	International Comps/NZ National Teams	Training to Win/Perform
Performance	NZ Swimming Championships National Age Group Swimming Championships	Training to Compete/Perform
Competitive	Division II Swimming Championship Major Regional Championships	Training to Train/Develop
Regional	Regional Swimming	Skill Development/Participate
Local	Inter Club, Club Champs, Club Meets	Fundamentals/Play

	National Championships	Regional Championships	Tier 1 (National Qualifying meet)	Tier 2 (National Qualifying meet)	Tier 3 (Regional Qualifying meet)
Membership status	Competitive members	Competitive members	Competitive members	Club & Competitive members	Club & Competitive members
Age range	Junior or senior specific	Junior or senior specific	13yrs & Over	All ages	All ages
Qualifying times	Qualifying times achieved from 'National Qualifying' meets or Regional Champs	Qualifying times achieved from any meets in the SNZ database	Entry times achieved from any meets in the SNZ database (No qualifying times)	Entry times achieved from any meets in the SNZ database (No qualifying times)	N/A

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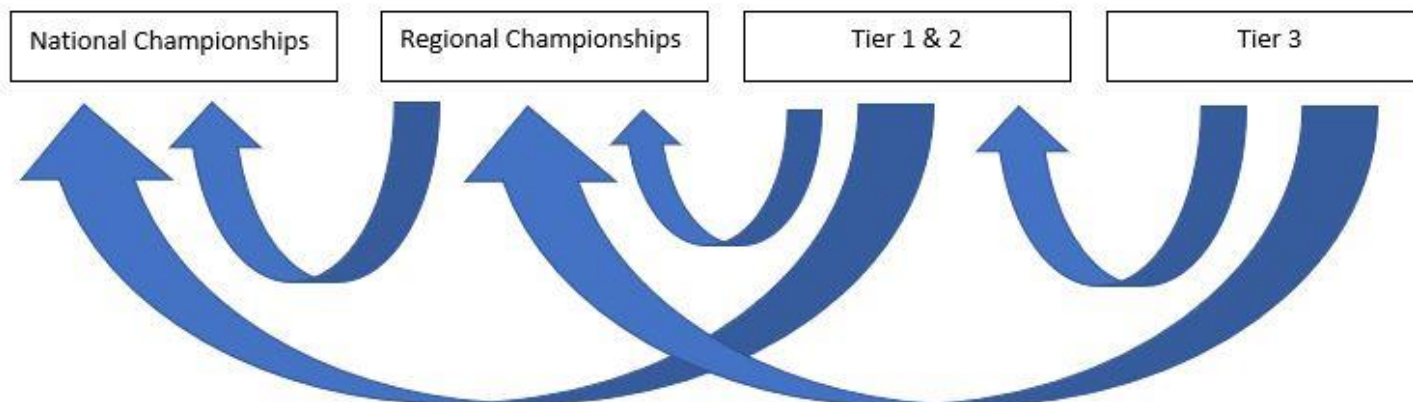
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Qualifying Times Structure

The below diagram shows which times can be used to enter each tier of competition in the Wellington region.

Times achieved can be used to qualify for different meets.

Swimmers are encouraged to participate at each level to learn the skills needed to race at every tier on the pathway.



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