



2026 National Diversity Select Camp Selection Criteria

General Criteria:

All athletes must meet the following criteria to be eligible for the 2026 National Diversity Select Camp.

- ❖ All athletes must be registered USA Swimming members at the time of the qualifying performance and at the time of the camp.
- ❖ All athletes must be registered USA Swimming Premium athlete members in good standing. Flex members must upgrade their membership to be eligible to attend.
- ❖ Athletes may represent an underrepresented community and/or an ethnically underrepresented population that is less than 10% of the current USA Swimming Athlete Premium membership base. These populations can include African American/Black, Hispanic/Latino, Asian or Pacific Islander, Native American and others. Other athletes may be accepted if they represent another diverse demographic. Diversity can be, but is not limited to, racial, geographical, cultural, or financial backgrounds.
- ❖ Athletes must be US citizens* and have not represented any other World Aquatics Federation at international competition.
- ❖ Eligible athletes will be 14 or 15 years old *as of the day of the qualifying swims submitted on the application*. The qualification period is January 1, 2025, through August 31, 2025.
- ❖ Athletes who have previously attended a National Diversity Select Camp, National Select Camp, or a National Team and/or National Junior Team camp are not eligible. Athletes can attend both Zone Select Camp and National Diversity Select Camp but cannot attend both camps within the same year.
- ❖ Athletes who have represented USA Swimming internationally are not eligible for camp.

Qualification Standard:

The National Diversity Select Camp will consist of 28 athletes from each competition category.

Athletes must have achieved at least one National Diversity Select Camp time standard as shown [here](#) to apply for selection. These times are the AAAA National Motivational Times for 13-14 year olds, even if the swimmer applying is 15 at the time of the swim. Times must have been achieved in a USA Swimming sanctioned or approved meet (able to be proven in the SWIMS database) between January 1, 2025 and August 31, 2025.

Selection Criteria:

- ❖ The fastest 2 applicants in each of the 14 Olympic pool events (***excluding the 50's of stroke***) will be invited for a total of 28 athletes from each competition category. Only Long Course Meters events will be accepted.
- ❖ Doubles will be resolved by placing the athlete in their highest HY-tec power point event.
- ❖ The event qualifying period is January 1, 2025, through August 31, 2025. Athletes will be 14 or 15 years old as of the day of the qualifying swim submitted on the application.

**Athletes can be dual citizens, but their sport nation must be the United States, and they must have resided in the United States for at least twelve (12) months prior to the camp/ competition, according to World Aquatics rules.*