

2019 Western Canada Summer Games Para-swimming Selection Criteria

Required Dates:	July 8 (Equipment, Edmonton) TBC - July 31 to August 8 (Staging, Calgary or Edmonton) TBC - August 8 to 13 (Western Games, Swift Current, SK)
Competition dates:	August 10 to 13
Program Cost:	\$TBC
Competition Location:	Swift Current, Saskatchewan
Team Size:	4 Swimmers (2 Male / 2 Female)
Eligibility:	Swimmers born between 1994 and 2006

Swimmers with a Physical, Intellectual or Visual Impairment:

Para swimmers must have a Swimming Canada level **2** classification **and at least one 2018-2019 Para Swimming Provincial Standard** to be eligible for selection. For complete information please refer Para swimming information in the Western Canada Summer Games technical package.

There will be no classifications done at the Western Canada Summer Games.

Level 2 classification must be completed **no later than June 15, 2019**.

A swimmer with an intellectual impairment may choose to compete as a Special Olympics swimmer OR in sport class S/SB/SM14 but not both. Swimmers choosing to compete in the Special Olympics events must meet the participation guidelines determined by Special Olympics.

Excluded from the Games are:

- Athletes that have held an SR1 or SR2 card (as defined by Sport Canada's Athlete Assistance Program) at any time.
- Able body athletes that have held Senior cards (as defined by Sport Canada's Athlete Assistance Program) at any time; para athletes that have held a Senior card (as defined by Sport Canada's Athlete Assistance Program) for two years or more.
- Athletes who have competed for any nation at any Pan American Games, Commonwealth Games, Olympic Games, FISU Games, Pan Pacific Championships, Senior World Aquatic Championships, Paralympic Games, Para Swimming World Championships or Special Olympics World Games.

Selection Period:	March 14 to April 14, 2019 (Start of Spring Championships to end of Western Championships)
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- Declaration of Intent:** Swimmers must complete the online 'Declaration of Availability' form prior to Sunday March 17, 2019. Swimmers not completing the declaration will not be eligible for selection <http://www.tfaforms.com/333326>
- Selection Process:** The intent is to select a team, which has the greatest medal potential at the 2019 Western Canada Summer Games.
- Eligible para swimmers will be selected based results achieved during the selection period. Two swimmers per gender will be selected, regardless of classification, based on the top scoring performance of events offered at the 2019 Western Canada Summer Games. In the event of a tie the next highest scoring swim will be used until the tie is broken. Swims will be scored using the para points calculator available on the Swimming Canada website.