



DNZ Selection Policy and Procedures

APPLICATION

Divers wishing to be selected for a team representing DNZ, coaches and Selectors

INTRODUCTION

It is the intention of DNZ that all divers attending international events as a member of a New Zealand team have sufficient ability to represent their country in a suitable manner. The selection standards have been determined to embrace the principles of Long-Term Athlete Development.

This policy should be read in conjunction with the current [DNZ Qualifying Standards document](#) which from time to time sets out the points standards to be achieved by divers wishing to be considered for selection for the various teams.

POLICY

1. Subject to any other requirements set out in any event specific policy required by an event organiser, any diver who, at the designated trial(s) competition achieves points that equal or better the points and any degree of difficulty standards set will be selected.
2. The Selectors may select divers who do not achieve the points standards for an event if they consider it appropriate and desirable for a diver to compete in the event for their development.

RELATED PROCEDURES

Selection

3. Selectors must submit their selections for the final team to the DNZ Board for approval by the end of January each year.
4. Divers selected for a DNZ team, if they have not already done so, must sign the current [DNZ Athletes' Agreement](#).
5. DNZ Administrative Support is to advise Clubs and athletes of selection once approved by the DNZ Board.

Selection of synchronised diving teams

6. Where one diver achieves points that equal or better the points and any degree of difficulty standards set for a particular event, and where that diver is consistently competing as part of a synchronised diving team, with similar degree of difficulty as the standards, the second diver may be selected to compete in the Synchronised Diving events with the diver who has been successful in the individual event, should the selectors consider this appropriate in the circumstances



Selection Events

7. Selection Events for the various competitions to which DNZ is likely to send a team will be notified from time to time and promulgated on the DNZ website www.divingnewzealand.org.nz

Maintenance of Diving Standards

8. The Selectors may require any diver selected for any DNZ team who suffers an injury or whose form, in the opinion of the Selectors, is otherwise in question, to undergo assessment as to fitness or suitability to compete in the event(s) for which they have been selected
9. The Selectors shall have a discretion to determine the appropriate assessment to be carried out

DNZ Squads

10. The Selectors may select a diver to be a member of a DNZ Squad in accordance with the criteria and procedures prescribed in the [DNZ Squad Selection Criteria Policy and Procedures](#)
11. As general rule, a diver must be a member of a DNZ Squad in order to be eligible for selection to a DNZ team
12. In exceptional circumstances, the Selectors may select a diver who is not a member of a DNZ Squad to a DNZ team
13. Any diver selected to be a member of a DNZ Squad is required to sign the DNZ Athletes' Agreement as issued from time to time and to comply with all terms and conditions of such Agreement

Coaches' report

14. The coach of any diver selected as a member of the DNZ Squad may submit a report on their diver(s) at such intervals and containing such information as may be required from time to time by the Selectors
15. As a general rule the reports should include information about training programmes completed, new dives learned, injuries sustained and any other matter concerning any diver about whom the Selectors may wish to be informed

Selection of Junior Teams

16. On the assumption that divers are selected to DNZ Age or Junior Elite Squads because they have met a sufficient standard, a diver that is a member of a DNZ squad can be selected in advance of qualifying events for competitions to take place in that year, unless they are required to actually provide a qualifying score by the organisers or there are limited spots available.

For example, this would apply to events such as Australian Age, Australian Schools Games, Singapore National Championships and other overseas junior events.



17. In consultation with their coach, such divers can be recommended directly by the coaches for selection in December/January through the current selection channels applicable to their level, with the aim of such recommendations being submitted to the DNZ Board for approval by the end of January each year.
18. In order to show fitness, all divers selected through this means will still need to compete in the national competitions that they otherwise would have attended had they needed to go through the previous qualifying process, prior to the international competitions they have been selected for. If a diver cannot compete in at least one of these events due to extenuating circumstances they will be required to apply for an exemption in order to attend the overseas event from the DNZ Board.
Ideally, they should attend national competitions that occur after their trip (and this should be encouraged).
19. Thereafter, all team managers and coaches would ideally be appointed.
20. NOTE: Teams for World Aquatics World Junior Championships & the DNZ National Senior Team selections will be made by the DNZ Selection Panel on recommendation from the DNZ Performance Manager.

KEY RELEVANT DOCUMENTS

Include the following:

[DNZ Standards document](#)

[DNZ Athletes' Agreement](#)

[DNZ Squad Selection Criteria Policy and Procedures](#)

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