

# Swimming New Zealand Policy

**Title:** New Zealand Records



**Number:** 003

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## PURPOSE

To outline the policy of under what conditions a New Zealand Swimming Record can be set and what process is to be followed to have the record registered with SNZ.

## POLICY

1. SNZ shall maintain a register of all New Zealand long-course and short-course individual, New Zealand long-course and short-course relay records.
2. To be eligible to hold a New Zealand Record a swimmer must be a financial competitive swimmer member of Swimming NZ, as well as be a New Zealand Citizen or hold New Zealand Permanent Residency and have lived in New Zealand for a period longer than six (6) months.
3. New Zealand Records will be accepted only when times are recorded by Automatic Officiating Equipment (electronic timing), or, in the event of a timing malfunction, when times are recorded by full Semi-Automatic timing, and shall be recognised to 100th of a second.
4. New Zealand Records cannot be set using manual timing.
5. Swimmers will be recognised as joint holders of a NZ Record when more than one swimmer records the same time.
6. Butterfly, Backstroke, Breaststroke and Individual Medley records cannot be set in Freestyle events.
7. Individual New Zealand Records cannot be set in mixed gender events.
8. The distances for New Zealand individual and relay records and age-group records for males and females shall be as listed, with some relays listed for mixed teams as stated:

Long Course Open & Age Group Records	50m – FR, BK, BR, FL 100m – FR, BK, BR, FL 200m – FR, BK, BR, FL, IM 400m – FR, IM 800m – FR 1500m – FR
Long Course – Para Open Records	50m – FR, BK, BR, FL 100m – FR, BK, BR, FL 150m – IM 200m – FR, BK, BR, FL, IM 400m – FR, IM

	800m – FR 1500m – FR
Long Course – Para Age Group Records	50m – FR, BK, BR, FL 100m – FR, BK, BR, FL 150m – IM 200m – FR, IM 400m – FR
Long Course & Short Course Open NZ Relay Records only	4 x 50m MED (Short Course only) 4 x 50m MED (Mixed – Short Course only) 4 x 50m FR (Short Course only) 4 x 50m FR (Mixed – Short Course only) 4 x 100m MED 4 x 100m MED (Mixed) 4 x 100m FR 4 x 100m FR (Mixed) 4 x 200m FR
Long & Short Course - Para	4 x 100m MED 4 x 100m MED (Mixed) 4 x 100m FR 4 x 100m FR (Mixed)
Short Course Open & Age Group Records	50m – FR, BK, BR, FL 100m – FR, BK, BR, FL, IM 200m – FR, BK, BR, FL, IM 400m – FR, IM 800m – FR 1500m – FR
Short Course – Para Open Records	50m – FR, BK, BR, FL 100m – FR, BK, BR, FL, IM 150m – IM 200m – FR, BK, BR, FL, IM 400m – FR, IM 800m – FR 1500m – FR

Short Course – Para Age Group Records	50m – FR, BK, BR, FL 100m – FR, BK, BR, FL 150m – IM 200m – FR, IM 400m – FR
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9. New Zealand Open Records will be recognised for males and females for ages 13+ years.
10. New Zealand Para Open Records will be recognised for males and females for ages 13+ years.
11. New Zealand Age Group Records will be recognized for males and females in yearly ages as follows: 13 years, 14 years, 15 years, 16 years, 17 years, and 18 years. Age will be determined as at the date of the swim.
12. New Zealand Para Age Records will be recognised for males and females as 16 & under (minimum of 13 years). Age will be determined as at the date of the swim.
13. A swimmer in an individual event may apply for a record for an intermediate distance provided such swimmer completes the scheduled distance of the original event.
14. The NZ Relay Record shall be the fastest time recorded by 4 eligible New Zealanders.
15. The first (lead-off) swimmer in a relay event may establish a record for an individual record distance. This individual performance shall not be nullified by any subsequent team disqualifications after the record is achieved. The only exception to this is if it's a mixed relay event.
16. SNZ will issue Record Certificates for all ratified records when requested as digital or hard copy. These can be submitted via email or online – [click here](#)

**The Minimum Standard of Officiating for a NZ Open or Age Group Record to be set is:**

- An Officiated Meet
- Referee – A minimum of 1 (one) qualified or registered is required.
- Judge of Stroke – There must be at least 2 x JOSs (i.e. one on each side of the pool – can include referees acting as JOS if there is more than one referee listed). Minimum qualification is qualified and registered JOS
- Starter (1) – qualified and registered
- Inspector of Turns – minimum of one (1) qualified and registered IOT for every three (3) lanes at both ends of pool (8 for a 10-lane pool, 6 for an 8-lane pool, 4 for a 6-lane pool)
- Timekeeper – one (1) per lane when electronic timing is used (this can be the back-up button)

**Application & processing of New Zealand Records**

At the following swimming competitions SNZ will automatically process all Open & Age Group Records which are set or broken, as long as the competition meets the criteria in policy 007 for an Officiated Meet, (as listed above).

- New Zealand Swimming Championships
- New Zealand Age Group Swimming Championships
- New Zealand Short Course Swimming Championships

- New Zealand Secondary School Swimming Championships
- Division II Swimming Competition

### **New Zealand Teams**

At the Olympic Games, Paralympic Games, World Championships (50m/25m), World Para Swimming (WPS) World Championships, Pan Pacific Championships, Commonwealth Games, Junior World Championships, Junior Pan Pacific Championships, Oceania Championships or any other international meet where an official New Zealand Team is competing, the New Zealand Team Manager is to submit the appropriate information to SNZ.

### **Notification of NZ Records from All Other Meets**

To have a NZ Record ratified by SNZ from any other swimming meet the following must occur:

- Official Result file – MM or WinGrodan - to be supplied
- If within New Zealand the competition must be an Officiated Meet and comply with the requirements outlined in Policy 007 for an Officiated Meet. NZ Records cannot be set at Development Meets.
- A completed New Zealand Record application form (available on the SNZ Website).