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## MEMORANDUM

**TO: ALL FINA MEMBER FEDERATIONS**  
**FROM: FINA, Lausanne**  
**DATE: 21<sup>st</sup> June 2018**  
**RE: 14<sup>th</sup> FINA WORLD SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS (25M) 2018**  
**11 - 16 December 2018 // Hangzhou (CHN)**  
**50m STANDARD TIMES**

Dear Sirs,

As per the published Memorandum sent on 11<sup>TH</sup> December 2017 for "Swimming Qualification Events and Times" for the 25m Championships (see below), time standards have been introduced for the first time for Hangzhou 2018.

The FINA TSC has decided to apply the long course Gwangju 2019 time standards for Hangzhou in addition to the previously published 25m standard times. This allows federations to enter swimmers who meet the approved short course OR long course standards.

A summary of the entries rules is listed below:

- FINA A/B/U qualification rules are still in force as per the FINA Handbook
- National Federations will be able to submit times for athletes from qualifying competitions in 25m distance or 50m distance.
- Qualifying competitions must have been previously approved by FINA and fall within the qualification period of:
  - 01 August 2017 – 22 November 2018 for **25m Competitions (for Hangzhou 2018)**
  - 01 March 2018 – 22 November 2018 for **50m Competitions (for Gwangju 2019)**
- All entry times **MUST** be included in the FINA World Swimming Rankings in order to be validated
- When submitting sport entries, it must be stated if the entry time is from an approved 25m or 50m competition
- 25m entry times will be checked against qualifications standards for FINA World Swimming Championships (25m) Hangzhou 2018
- 50m entry times will be checked against qualifications standards for FINA World Championships Gwangju 2019
- There is no restriction on an athlete entering with times from both 25m and 50m competitions according to the FINA A/B/U rules
- All entry times will be seeded as per FINA rules regardless of whether the entry time was achieved in a 25m or 50m pool
- 50m entry times will not be converted

Below are the 50m Standard times that will be applied for the 14<sup>th</sup> FINA World Swimming Championships (25m) 2018 – Hangzhou (CHN).

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## 50m Standard Times

MEN		Events	WOMEN	
A	B		A	B
22.18	22.96	50m Freestyle	25.04	25.92
48.8	50.51	100m Freestyle	54.49	56.4
1:47.40	1:51.16	200m Freestyle	1:58.66	2:02.81
3:48.15	3:56.14	400m Freestyle	4:10.57	4:19.34
//////////	//////////	800m Freestyle	8:38.56	8:56.71
15:07.38	15:39.14	1500m Freestyle	//////////	//////////
25.17	26.05	50m Backstroke	28.22	29.21
54.06	55.95	100m Backstroke	1:00.59	1:02.71
1:58.34	2:02.48	200m Backstroke	2:11.53	2:16.13
27.39	28.35	50m Breaststroke	31.22	32.31
59.95	1:02.05	100m Breaststroke	1:07.43	1:09.79
2:11.00	2:15.59	200m Breaststroke	2:25.91	2:31.02
23.66	24.49	50m Butterfly	26.34	27.26
51.96	53.78	100m Butterfly	58.48	1:00.53
1:56.71	2:00.80	200m Butterfly	2:09.21	2:13.73
2:00.22	2:04.43	200m Individual Medley	2:13.03	2:17.69
4:17.90	4:26.93	400m Individual Medley	4:43.06	4:52.97

**Note: for the 100m IM only the short-course times are applicable.**

We thank you for your kind attention and remain at your disposal for any further information you may need.

Yours Sincerely,

Cornel Marculescu  
Executive Director

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**FROM: FINA, Lausanne**

**DATE: 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

**RE: 14<sup>th</sup> FINA WORLD SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS (25M) 2018  
11 - 16 December 2018 // Hangzhou (CHN)  
SWIMMING QUALIFYING EVENTS & TIMES**

Dear Sirs,

Following our correspondence of 7<sup>th</sup> August 2017, please refer to the updated qualifying A and B times to be implemented for the Swimming competitions at the **14<sup>th</sup> FINA World Swimming Championships (25m)** to be held in Hangzhou (CHN) from 11<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> December 2018.

**1. STANDARD TIMES:**

A Standard = 16<sup>th</sup> place from Windsor (CAN) 2016

B Standard = + 3.5%

**Men's Standard**

**Women's Standard**

A – 2 Entries	B – 1 Entry		A – 2 Entries	B – 1 Entry
0.21.71	0.22.47	50 m Freestyle	0.24.60	0.25.46
0.47.78	0.49.45	100 m Freestyle	0.53.78	0.55.66
1.45.02	1.48.70	200 m Freestyle	1.56.52	2.00.59
3.44.09	3.51.93	400 m Freestyle	4.07.29	4.15.95
////////////////	////////////////	800 m Freestyle	8.35.69	8.53.74
14.49.29	15.20.42	1500 m Freestyle	////////////////	////////////////
0.23.98	0.24.82	50 m Backstroke	0.27.01	0.27.96
0.51.61	0.53.42	100 m Backstroke	0.58.08	1.00.11
1.53.35	1.57.32	200 m Backstroke	2.07.19	2.11.64
0.26.77	0.27.71	50 m Breaststroke	0.30.70	0.31.77
0.58.18	1.00.21	100 m Breaststroke	1.06.18	1.08.50
2.06.83	2.11.27	200 m Breaststroke	2.24.60	2.29.66
0.23.22	0.24.03	50 m Butterfly	0.26.26	0.27.18
0.51.56	0.53.36	100 m Butterfly	0.58.28	1.00.31
1.54.84	1.58.86	200 m Butterfly	2.09.76	2.14.30
0.53.57	0.55.44	100 m Ind. Medley	1.01.21	1.03.35
1.56.69	2.00.77	200 m Ind. Medley	2.12.46	2.17.09
4.10.27	4.19.03	400 m Ind. Medley	4.43.43	4.53.35

1 Team	4 x 50 m Freestyle	1 Team
1 Team	4 x 100 m Freestyle	1 Team
1 Team	4 x 200 m Freestyle	1 Team
1 Team	4 x 50 m Medley	1 Team
1 Team	4 x 100 m Medley	1 Team

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4 x 50 m Freestyle Mix	1 Team
4 x 50 m Medley Mix	1 Team

## 2. QUALIFICATION PERIOD: 1<sup>st</sup> AUGUST 2017 – 22<sup>nd</sup> NOVEMBER 2018:

If a National Federations enters only one (1) swimmer per event all swimmers entered must meet the qualifying B standard time. If two (2) swimmers are entered in the same event, both of them must meet the qualifying A standard time.

Federations may enter swimmers regardless of standard time as follows:

# having no swimmer qualified: two (2) men and two (2) women; \*

# having one (1) or two (2) swimmers qualified, additional swimmers up to a maximum of four (4) swimmers (two (2) men and two (2) women);

# having three (3) swimmers qualified one (1) additional swimmer provided that both gender are represented.

\* *Note: Please refer to FINA Rule BL 9.3.6 and BL 9.3.6.2*

**BL 9.3.6** The minimum age for swimmers competing in the Olympic Games, FINA World Championships and FINA World Swimming Championships (25m) shall be the same as the minimum age for the FINA World Junior Swimming Championships: Women, 14 years of age, and Men, 15 years of age, on 31st December in the year of competition, except younger athletes may participate in these competitions if they have achieved at least the “B” Standard Entry Time in the respective event.

**BL 9.3.6.2** At the World Championships, National Federations may enter swimmers who have not achieved either Standard Entry Time as follows:

a) With no swimmers who have achieved the “A” or “B” Standard Entry Time: National Federations may enter up to four (4) swimmers, two (2) men and two (2) women. b) With one (1) or two (2) swimmers who has achieved the “A” or “B” Standard Entry Time: National Federations may enter up to a maximum of four (4) swimmers (two (2) men and two (2) women), and with three (3) swimmers who have achieved the “A” or “B” Standard Entry Time, one (1) additional swimmer provided that both genders are represented. c) The swimmers who have not achieved either Standard Entry Time will only be permitted to enter up to two (2) individual events each. d) An individual entry for a swimmer without an “A” or “B” Standard Entry Time must be in an event where no other swimmer from the National Federation has been entered.

Swimmers entered without qualifying time must have participated in the National Championships of the Federation. These swimmers will be allowed to enter in two (2) different events each, but they cannot swim in the same event, p.a. 50 m Freestyle.

### Gender Relays:

- 4x50 m Freestyle, 4x100m Freestyle, 4x200m Freestyle, 4x50 m Medley,
- 4x100m Medley – Men & Women – 1 Relay per Federation
- Mixed Relays: 4x50 m Freestyle, 4x50m Medley – 1 Relay per Federation.

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### 3. QUALIFYING EVENTS – SEE BL 12:

- # Continental Championships 2017 and 2018
- # International Competitions,
- # National Competitions

*FINA will only accept entry times which have been achieved at competitions officially approved by FINA.*

### 4. APPLICATION FOR QUALIFYING EVENTS:

If your Federation will organise an International Competition or a National Qualifying Meet where the swimmers could achieve the FINA “A” and “B” Qualifying Standard Times, please fill out the attached “Application Form” and return it to the FINA Office in Lausanne (SUI) as soon as possible taking into account the following:

*Competitions held between 1<sup>st</sup> August 2017 and 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017 should be approved before they take place. Competitions held in 2018 should be approved by FINA not later than 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017.*

**NO APPLICATION FOR A NATIONAL AND/OR INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION WILL BE CONSIDERED AFTER 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2017.**

We would like to draw your attention to the following:

- it is very important to indicate on the “Application Form” the INFORMATION ON THE TIMING SYSTEM to be used at the competitions to be organised by the National Federations where the swimmers could achieve the FINA “A” and “B” Qualifying Standard Times.

- FINA will only recognise the swimming competitions where Referees and Starters included on the FINA Swimming Officials Lists N° 18 and N° 19.

- In order for FINA to endorse the Swimming Qualifying Time Standards achieved at approved competitions, the National Federation / Organiser **must** send to the FINA Office in Lausanne (SUI) the official results in an electronic file (ONLY Lenex or Hy-Tek cl2/sdif will be accepted) IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE COMPETITION. No .pdf or .excel files will be accepted.

We thank you for your kind attention and remain at your disposal for any further information you may need.

Yours Sincerely,



Cornel Marculescu  
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