

MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL FINA MEMBER FEDERATIONS

FROM: FINA, Lausanne

DATE: 21 January 2015

**RE: QUALIFICATION SYSTEM
FOR SWIMMING COMPETITIONS
RIO 2016 OLYMPIC GAMES**

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Dear Sirs,

We have the pleasure to forward to you this correspondence relating to the **RIO 2016 OLYMPIC GAMES**.

Please find attached the document which refers to the **Swimming Qualification System** for **Rio 2016**.

Please note that only the swimming qualifying times achieved at competitions approved by FINA can be accepted as entry times for these Games.

Please refer below and attached to important information:

A. List of the “Qualification System” in accordance with FINA Rule BL 12:

Tier 1. 16th FINA World Championships 2015, Kazan (RUS)

**Tier 2. 5th FINA World Junior Swimming Championships 2015,
Singapore (SIN)
FINA Swimming World Cup (if conducted in 50 m pools)**

**Tier 3. Continental Championships
Continental Junior Championships
Regional Championships
Regional Games where Swimming is included**

Tier 4. Member Federations International Competitions

**Tier 5. National Trials
National Championships**

B. Qualification period: 1 March 2015 – 3 July 2016

C. FINA OQT / “A” & OST / “B” Qualifying times as attached.

D. Application Form (attached) for Tiers 3, 4 and 5 must be returned to the FINA Office as follows:

- For competitions in 2015 **not later than 15th February 2015**
- For competitions in 2016 **not later than 1st November 2015**

NO APPLICATION WILL BE CONSIDERED AFTER THE ABOVE ESTABLISHED DEADLINES.

- It is very important to indicate on the "Application Form" the **INFORMATION ON THE TIMING SYSTEM**. Electronic Timing is mandatory.

- FINA will **ONLY** recognise the swimming competitions where referees and starters included on the FINA Swimming Officials Lists N° 17 and N° 18 are officiating.

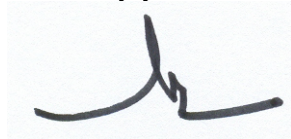
E. The approved events will be automatically confirmed for the FINA World Calendar

Please note that competitions taking place after 1st March 2015 and which have been previously approved as qualifying meets for Kazan 2015 will be automatically considered for Rio 2016 Olympic Games. There is no need to re-apply.

- The official results should be sent to FINA in an electronic file (either Lenex or Hy-Tek cl2/sdif) **IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE COMPETITION**. The results are to be loaded directly into the rankings database as explained in the attached document - "Federation Online Submission to FINA for Swimming Events".

We look forward to hearing from you and please do not hesitate to contact the FINA Office for any additional information or assistance you may need concerning the qualification procedure for the Rio 2016 Olympic Games.

Sincerely yours,



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FINA A & B QUALIFYING TIME STANDARDS

Olympic Games 2016, Rio de Janeiro (BRA)

Qualifying period: 1 March 2015 – 3 July 2016 only at FINA approved events

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Men's Standard

Women's Standard

OQT / A 2 Entries	OST / B 1 Entry		OQT / A 2 Entries	OST / B 1 Entry
0.22.27	0.23.05	50m Freestyle	0.25.28	0.26.17
0.48.99	0.50.70	100m Freestyle	0.54.43	0.56.34
1.47.97	1.51.75	200m Freestyle	1.58.96	2.03.13
3.50.44	3.58.51	400m Freestyle	4.09.08	4.17.80
////////////////	////////////////	800m Freestyle	8.33.97	8.51.96
15.14.77	15.46.79	1500m Freestyle	////////////////	//////////////// //
0.54.36	0.56.26	100m Backstroke	1.00.25	1.02.36
1.58.22	2.02.36	200m Backstroke	2.10.60	2.15.17
1.00.57	1.02.69	100m Breaststroke	1.07.85	1.10.22
2.11.66	2.16.27	200m Breaststroke	2.26.94	2.32.08
0.52.36	0.54.19	100m Butterfly	0.58.74	1.00.80
1.56.97	2.01.06	200m Butterfly	2.09.33	2.13.86
2.00.28	2.04.39	200m Ind. Medley	2.14.26	2.18.96
4.16.71	4.25.69	400m Ind. Medley	4.43.46	4.53.38

Relays:

- 4x100m Freestyle, 4x200m Freestyle, 4x100m Medley – Men & Women
- One (1) Relay per Federation – Maximum 16 Teams

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