



**Florida Swimming, Inc.
2008 FS Southern Zone Team
July 29 – August 3, 2008
Georgia Tech, Atlanta, Georgia
Selection Procedure**

**Team Selection:**

Forty-eight (48) swimmers will be selected for the team; seven (7) girls and seven (7) boys from the 11-12 and 13-14 age divisions, 10 girls and boys from the 15-18 age divisions. Swimmers must be registered 2008 Florida swimming athletes in good standing 120 days prior to or the first day of the meet, July 29, 2008, to be eligible. Any swimmer who has EVER achieved a time faster than or equal to the 2008 USA Swimming Summer National Championships Time Standards, in an individual event, prior to the entry deadline for the 2008 Zone Championships will be ineligible for participation on the team. Swimmers achieving the USA Swimming Junior National Championship or 2008 USA Swimming Spring National Championship time standards **are** eligible for the Zone Team.

Event Selection for the 11&12, 13&14 Age Groups

Seven (7) girls and seven (7) boys from the 11-12 and 13-14 age divisions will be selected for the Zone Team. The Top 5 swimmers from each age group will be chosen by April 14th, 2008. Selection will be based on the Florida Swimming Short Course Top 10 Rankings using the same high point system that is used for the Florida Swimming "Swimmer of the Year". The sixth and seventh swimmer will be selected from the 2008 Florida Swimming L/C Junior Olympics. Selection will be based on high point totals and will be chosen on the last day of the meet. In each age division, a male and female alternate will be selected. In the event that an athlete is unable to attend, the alternate will fill the spot that has been forfeited. Alternates will not travel to the meet unless filling a forfeited spot.

11 & 12, 13 & 14 Application Information:

The top five will be contacted in April & May of 2008, and an application with a deposit of \$375.00 must be received by May 30, 2008. Applications can be downloaded from the Florida Web Site. Each form must be filled out in full by the athlete and coach and signed by the parent. The 11&12-13&14 swimmers must notify the Age Group Chair, Sherwood Watts (941-922-9622 ext. 323 or swatts@sarasota-ymca.org) with their intentions to accept or decline this invitation. The final two swimmers will be selected on the last day of the 2008 L/C Junior Olympic Championships. Swimmers must notify the Head Zone Coach By Monday, July 21st, 2008, with their intentions to accept or decline the invitation. In the event a swimmer is selected and declines the invitation, the next eligible swimmer will then be selected and notified.

Event Selection for the 15 to 18 Age Groups

Ten (10) girls and ten (10) boys will be selected for the Zone Team. Swimmers will be notified in April & May 2008. Selection will be based on the Florida Swimming Short Course Top 10 Rankings using the same high point system that is used for the Florida Swimming Swimmer of the Year. In each age division, a male and female alternate will be selected. In the event that an athlete is unable to attend, the alternate will fill the spot that has been forfeited. Alternates will not travel to the meet unless filling a forfeited spot.

15 to 18 Application Information:

The top ten (10) will be contacted by the end of May 2008, and an application with a deposit of \$375.00 must be received by May 31, 2008. Applications can be downloaded from the Florida Swimming Web Site. Each form must be filled out in full by the athlete, swim coach, and signed by the parent.

The 15 to 18 swimmers must notify the Age Group Chair, Sherwood Watts (941 922 9622 ext 323 or swatts@sarasota-ymca.org) with their intentions to accept or decline the invitation. In the event a swimmer is selected and declines the invitation to swim, the next eligible swimmer will then be selected and notified.

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