



MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL FINA MEMBER FEDERATIONS

FROM: FINA, Lausanne

DATE: 2 December 2008

**RE: 1st YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES – SINGAPORE 2010
QUALIFYING PROCEDURE FOR SWIMMING**

Dear Sirs,

We have the pleasure to forward you this correspondence relating to the ***Qualification Procedure for SWIMMING*** for the ***1st Youth Olympic Games – Singapore 2010***.

The ***swimming qualifying time standards*** must be achieved at any of the competitions specified below during the qualification period of ***1st March 2009 until 31 March 2010***.

- ***13th FINA World Championships – Rome 2009***
- ***National Championships ****
- ***International Events ****
- ***Regional Events ****
- ***Continental Championships ****

**** Note: to be approved in advance by FINA***

Only swimming qualifying times achieved at competitions approved by FINA can be accepted as entry times for the 1st Youth Olympic Games – Singapore 2010.

If your National Federation will organise an International Competition or a National Qualifying Meet where swimmers may 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 but not later than 1st February 2009.**



PLEASE NOTE THAT NO APPLICATION FOR A NATIONAL OLYMPIC TRIAL AND/OR INTERNATIONAL AND/OR NATIONAL COMPETITION WILL BE CONSIDERED AFTER THE DEADLINE.

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° 14 and N° 15 are officiating.
- In order for FINA to endorse the Swimming Qualifying Time Standards achieved at approved competitions, the following should be fulfilled:
 - The ***nationality*** and the ***date of birth*** of each swimmer should be clearly stated; and
 - The NF/Organiser must send to the FINA Office in Lausanne (SUI) the results signed by the President or Honorary/General Secretary of the National Federation or the FINA TSC representative ***immediately after the conclusion of the competition.***

For your information please find attached the documentation sent to the National Olympic Committees by the IOC concerning the qualification procedure for “**SWIMMING**”.

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 1st Youth Olympic Games – Singapore 2010

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Cornel Marculescu'. The signature is stylized with a large initial 'C' and 'M'.

Cornel Marculescu
Executive Director

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