Technical Packages are a critical part of the Canada Games. They guide the selection of athletes by prescribing the age and eligibility requirements, assist the organizing committees by detailing tournament formats and scoring procedures, assist Chefs de Mission in verifying eligibility, help with budgeting by describing the number of participants permitted, advance coaching certification by stating minimum requirements and generally contribute to athlete development by identifying each National Sport Organization's (NSO) version of athletes in the "training to compete" phase of its Long Term Athlete Development Model (LTAD), or other suitable phase of the model as justified by the NSO, discussed with the LTAD expert group, and approved by the Canada Games Council Sport Committee.

Every Games' coach, manager, Sport Chairperson and Mission staff has an obligation to read and understand every aspect of the Technical Package. Failure to do so could cost an athlete his or her eligibility for the Games or could affect final standings or the conduct of the competition. If someone does not understand an aspect of a Technical Package, he or she is to seek clarification from the Sport Committee of the Canada Games Council (CGC) through his or her Chef de Mission or NSO.

Technical Packages are developed primarily by NSOs, following principles outlined in this document, guidelines and requirements of the CGC. As the overall governing body of the Games, the CGC has the ultimate authority over Technical Packages, but this authority is exercised only with the knowledge and understanding of the concerned NSO.

If an individual wishes to seek clarification or initiate a change to a Technical Package leading up to a Games, the request should be first directed to the NSO or the Chef de Mission. The NSO or Chef de Mission will evaluate the merits of the request and will, if it has merit, submit the requested change or clarification to the CGC's Director of Sport for consideration. The NSO or Chef de Mission will submit the rationale for the request. Changes to age groups, eligibility requirements, team sizes or staff complements will not be considered after three years prior to the Games. Substantive changes to events or competition formats will not be considered after 18 months before the Games, unless approved by all participating provincial/territorial associations, the CGC, and the Host Society. Minor corrections will be considered at almost anytime, but will be increasingly difficult to achieve within six months of the Games. These time frames reinforce the importance of complete understanding of the Technical Package by Games' participants early.

**2013 SHERBROOKE CANADA SUMMER GAMES
TECHNICAL PACKAGE**

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**1.    SPORT:        SWIMMING**

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**2.    PARTICIPANTS:**

2.1    Competitors:   Male 16        Female 16

Two (2) of the female team positions and two (2) of the male team positions are reserved exclusively for PARA swimmers classified under the IPC Swimming Classification procedure: classes S1 – S10 functional; classes S11 – S13 visual; class S14 Intellectual.

Two (2) of the female team positions and two (2) of the male team positions are reserved exclusively for Special Olympic Canada registered swimmers.

2.2    Staff:

For 18 or <u>fewer</u> total competitors;
        4 coaches        1 manager
- If there are female athletes, one of the coaches must be female
- If there are male athletes, one of the coaches must be male
- If bringing Special Olympics athletes, 1 coach may be designated as a Special Olympics Coach

For <u>more</u> than 18 total competitors;
        5 coaches        1 manager
- If there are female athletes, one of the coaches must be female
- If there are male athletes, one of the coaches must be male
- If bringing Special Olympics athletes, 1 coach may be designated as a Special Olympics Coach

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**3.   CLASSIFICATION:**

Age Category
-    All able body swimmers must be born in 1994 or later.
-    All PARA swimmers (classes S1-S14) must be born between the years of 1988

and 2000
  - All Special Olympics Canada registered swimmers must be born between the years of 1988 and 2000

Athletes with a physical disability, intellectual and visual impairment
  - PARA swimmers must be classified by Swimming Natation Canada classifiers at the national level under classification guidelines as set by Swimming Natation Canada prior to the Games.
  - There will be no classifications done at the Canada Summer Games.
  - Classification must be completed and submitted to SNC 90 days prior to the start of the Games (May 4th, 2013).
  - An S-14 athlete may compete in only Para events or only Special Olympic events. They cannot compete in both or a mix of the two (ex. An S-14 athlete cannot compete in the 100m Para event and the 50m Special Olympics event)

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## 4.    ELIGIBILITY:

### 4.1 Coaches:

All coaches must be registered with SNC, their provincial or territorial sport association, and a member of the CSCTA.

The head coach on the official registration form must be fully certified (theory, technical and practical) under the National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP) to at least Level 3 or the equivalent level in the new NCCP, Competition stream, Development context, (Certified  status).  These coaches must be so certified not later than 90 days before the opening of the Games (May 4, 2013).

Assistant coaches on the official registration form must be fully certified (theory, technical and practical) under the National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP) to at least Level 3 or the equivalent level in the new NCCP, Competition stream, Development context, (Trained  status).  These coaches must be certified / trained not later than 90 days before the opening of the Games (May 4, 2013).

If a Provincial/Territorial team does not distinguish between a head coach and assistant coaches, at least one of the team's coaches must be level 3 certified or competition development certified, while the others must be level 3 certified or competition development trained.

The exception to the above are coaches designated as Special Olympics Coaches (maximum 1 per PT) who must be fully certified under the National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP) to at least level 1 or Fundamentals, and have completed the Special Olympics Canada Competition-Introduction course

4.2    Competitors:
-    All swimmers must be registered and be members in good standing of Swimming Natation Canada.
-    All swimmers participating in the Special Olympics events must be registered with and be members in good standing of Special Olympics Canada and Swimming Natation Canada and have qualified at events sanctioned by Special Olympics Canada or SNC.

Excluded from the Canada Games are:

(a)    Athletes that have held an SR1 or SR2 card (as defined by Sport Canada's Athlete Assistance program) at any time;
(b)    ~~Athletes that have been National Senior Team Members at any time;~~
(c)    Able body athletes that have held Senior cards (as defined by Sport Canada's Athlete Assistance Program) at any time – PARA athletes that have held a Senior card (as defined by Sport Canada's Athlete Assistance Program) for two years or more;
(d)    Athletes that have competed for any nation at any Pan American Games, Commonwealth Games, Olympic Games, FISU Games, Pan Pacific Championships, Senior World Aquatic Championships, Paralympic Games, IPC Swimming World Championships or Special Olympics World Games.

No athlete can be rendered ineligible within 90 days of the opening of the Games due to carding status or national team status (i.e., no athlete will be excluded if they **compete in an event listed in point d)** for the first time or are granted carding status after May 4th, 2013).

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5.    **COMPETITION:**

**Events**

Events will be swum according to Swimming Natation Canada (SNC) rules; however, the information contained in this technical package shall supersede any SNC rules where a discrepancy exists. "PARA" indicates events for PARA swimmers (classes S1 – S14) and these events will be swum according to the most recent IPC Swimming Rules.  SNC scratch rule will apply to PARA events. "SOC" indicates events for Special Olympics

Canada swimmers.

PARA and SOC swimmers will swim preliminaries and an "A" final only, regardless of entry numbers.

Able Body swimmers will swim time finals for the Men's and Women's 800 and 1500 m freestyle; 5 km open water, and all relays. All other events will include preliminaries, and a "B" final followed by an "A" final.

| **Day 1** | **Day 2** |
|---|---|
| W 1500 freestyle  (time final)<br>M 800 freestyle  (time final)<br>200 freestyle PARA (S1 – 5, S14) /<br>400 freestyle PARA (S6 – 13)<br>4 x 200 freestyle relay  (time final) | 50 breaststroke (B & A final)<br>50 breaststroke SOC<br>200 butterfly (B & A final)<br>400 IM (B & A final)<br>100 freestyle (B & A final)<br>50 breaststroke PARA (S1-3)/<br>100 breaststroke PARA (S4 – 14)<br>100 freestyle SOC<br>4 x 50 freestyle relay (time final) |
| **Day 3** | **Day 4** |
| 100 backstroke (B & A final)<br>50 backstroke PARA (S1–5)/<br>100 backstroke PARA (S6-14)<br>100 backstroke SOC<br>400 freestyle (B & A final)<br>200 breaststroke (B & A final)<br>50 butterfly (B & A final)<br>50 butterfly PARA (S1–7)/<br>100 butterfly PARA (S8-14)<br>4 x 100 freestyle relay (timed final) | 200 freestyle (B & A final)<br>100 breaststroke (B & A final)<br>100 freestyle PARA (S1-14)<br>200 backstroke (B & A final)<br>50 backstroke SOC<br>100 butterfly (B & A final)<br>4 x 50 medley relay (time final) |
| **Day 5** | **Day 6** |
| M 1500 freestyle (time final)<br>50 backstroke (B & A final)<br>50 freestyle PARA (S1-14)<br>50 freestyle SOC<br>W 800 freestyle (time final) | M & W 5 km open water (time final) |

| | |
|---|---|
| 200 IM (B & A final)<br>150 IM PARA (SM 1-4)/<br>200 IM PARA (SM 5 – 14)<br>50 freestyle (B & A final)<br>4 x 100 Medley Relay (time final) | |

**Entries**

A province/territory may enter one team per relay event, up to four (4) swimmers in the preliminaries of individual events and up to two (2) swimmers in the time final events (800 m freestyle 1500 m freestyle and 5km open water). Only two (2) swimmers per province/territory are eligible to compete in the finals (A or B), based on their preliminary time (i.e., no province or territory may have more than two (2) swimmers in the A and B final).

An able body competitor may compete in up to seven (7) individual events plus the relays.

A PARA competitor may compete in up to five (5) PARA events. The only exception is S14 PARA competitors who may entry into seven (7) PARA events (200 freestyle, 100 backstroke, 100 breaststroke, 50 freestyle, 100 freestyle, 100 butterfly, and 200 IM).

A SOC competitor may compete in all five (5) SOC events.

Procedures and deadlines for event entries will be set by the Organizing Committee in accordance with Swimming Natation Canada rules. See appendix 2 for detailed athlete entry procedures.

**Seeding**

The 800m (men) and 1500m (women) freestyle events will be time-finals seeded slowest to fastest.

The 800m (women) and 1500m (men) freestyle events will be run as time final events, with the fastest heat being run during the finals session. All remaining heats will be run slowest to fastest in the preliminary session.

Only two (2) swimmers per province / territory are eligible to compete in the fastest heat of a time finals event.

Relays will be time finals events, seeded slowest to fastest. Relay events on Day 2, 3, 4 and 5 will swim in the finals session

**Scratches**

The scratch deadline for all preliminary heats on the first day of competition (including time finals) will be 30 minutes following the end of the Technical Meeting on Saturday, August 3rd, 2013.

The scratch deadline for preliminary heats and time finals on days 2 to 5 shall be 30 minutes after the completion of the previous night finals session. This also includes the fastest heat of time final events that will be swum in the final session.

The scratch deadline for finals shall be 30 minutes following the conclusion of the preliminary session.

The Scratch deadline for time final relay events will be 30 minutes following the conclusion of the preliminary session on the day that the relays will be swum.

**Rankings**

Swimmers who qualify for the A final will be ranked 1 – 8 in order of finish in the A final. Swimmers who qualify for the B final will be ranked 9 – 16 in order of finish in the B final.

Should a province/territory qualify only one (1) swimmer for the A or B final, the swimmer from that province/territory with the next fastest time will be ranked 17$^{th}$ – 26$^{th}$ according to their preliminary time.

Should a province/territory not qualify any swimmers for the A or B final, the two (2) swimmers with the fastest times will be ranked 17 – 26$^{th}$ according to their preliminary time.

The 3$^{rd}$ and 4$^{th}$ finishers from each province/territory from the preliminaries will automatically be ranked 27$^{th}$ through last place according to their preliminary time, regardless of whether or not there are 26 swimmers ranked above them.

**Warm-ups**

Swimming Canada Risk Management/warm-up procedures 2009 will apply.

**6. SPORT SCORING:**

Each province/territory's two (2) best placings **per event** will count towards sports scoring.

The ranking of PARA swimmers (classes S1 – S14) within each event shall be based on scores from the current SNC Long Course Performance Points Charts for PARA as per SNC procedure. Once ranking is established, swimmers shall score according to the scoring system as outlined below. **See appendix 3 for Para swimming protocols.**

After the ranking of swimmers in each event, sport scoring will be awarded according to the following schedule:

Individual Events

| | |
|---|---|
| 1st place - 100 points | 14th place - 26 points |
| 2nd place - 71 points | 15th place - 24 points |
| 3rd place - 57 points | 16th place - 22 points |
| 4th place - 50 points | 17th place - 10 points |
| 5th place – 48 points | 18th place – 9 points |
| 6th place - 46 points | 19th place - 8 points |
| 7th place - 44 points | 20th place – 7 points |
| 8th place - 42 points | 21st place – 6 points |
| 9th place – 36 points | 22nd place - 5 points |
| 10th place - 34 points | 23rd place - 4 points |
| 11th place - 32 points | 24th place - 3 points |
| 12th place - 30 points | 25th place – 2 points |
| 13th place – 28 points | 26th place – 1 point |

Relay Events

| | |
|---|---|
| 1st place - 100 points | 7th place - 44 points |
| 2nd place - 71 points | 8th place - 42 points |
| 3rd place - 57 points | 9th place - 36 points |
| 4th place - 50 points | 10th place - 34 points |
| 5th place - 48 points | 11th place - 32 points |
| 6th place - 46 points | 12th place - 30 points |
| | 13th place – 28 points |

**There will be no scoring for a swimmer or a relay team that is disqualified.**

## 7.    TIE BREAKING RULE - COMPETITION:

The SNC rules in force at the time of the Games shall prevail.

## 8.    PROVINCIAL/TERRITORIAL RANKING:

Rankings will be established by adding sport scoring points from all events.  Men and women will be ranked separately.  Points for the Games Flag will be distributed as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| $1^{st}$  place – 10 points | $7^{th}$  place – 4 points |
| $2^{nd}$  place – 9 points | $8^{th}$  place – 3 points |
| $3^{rd}$  place – 8 points | $9^{th}$  place – 2 ½ points |
| $4^{th}$  place – 7 points | $10^{th}$ place – 2 points |
| $5^{th}$  place – 6 points | $11^{th}$ place – 1 ½ points |
| $6^{th}$  place – 5 points | $12^{th}$ place – 1 point |
| | $13^{th}$ place – ½ point |

## 9.    PROVINCIAL/TERRITORIAL RANKING - TIE BREAKING:

In the event of a tie between two or more provinces/ territories, the team winning the most gold medals will be awarded an extra swimming point.  If there is still a tie, the team winning the most silver medals will be awarded the extra swimming point, if still tied, the team with the most bronze medals, etc.

## 10.   MEDALS:      GOLD 110      SILVER 110      BRONZE 110

(extra medals will need to be ordered to accommodate ties).

## 11.   COMPETITIVE UNIFORM:

All swim suits worn in official training and competition shall comply with the Swimming Canada Competition Rules and the clothing specifications set by the Canada Games Council. In the event of a conflict between the two the clothing specifications set by the Canada Games Council shall prevail.

Provincial / Territorial Team clothing must be worn for the opening, closing, and medal ceremonies as well as on pool deck prior to and post competition.

**12. EQUIPMENT:**

N/A.

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**13. APPENDIX:**

The attached **Appendices** form an integral part of this Technical Package.

Appendix 1 – Competitor Eligibility
Appendix 2 – Swimming Canada event entries procedures
Appendix 3 – Swimming Canada Para Swimming Protocols

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**Competitor Eligibility**

1. Competitors must meet all eligibility requirements outlined in the Technical Package.

2. The Canada Games are open to Canadian citizens or permanent residents.

3. The Canada Games are open to athletes who are members in good standing of their sport's Provincial/Territorial Sport Organization.

4. An athlete's permanent domicile or actual residence must be located, for at least the 180 days prior to the opening of the Games, within the recognized boundaries of the Province or Territory they are representing. An athlete can have only one domicile.

5. An athlete attending school on a full-time basis outside his or her province or territory of permanent residence during the year of the Canada Games shall be permitted to compete for either their province or territory of permanent residence or the province or territory in which the athlete attends school. To be eligible to compete for the province/territory where the athlete attends school, the student must be enrolled on a full-time basis during the current academic year.

6. An athlete who is training outside his or her province or territory of permanent residence may represent the province or territory in which they are training provided he or she can demonstrate a commitment to the province or territory she or he wishes to represent by:

    (i)     Having been a member of a club or provincial/territorial sport organization in that province/territory for the entire previous or current competitive season

            - AND -

    (ii)    Having represented that province or territory at an international, national or regional championship,

            - AND -

    (iii)   Not having received direct development funding from their province or territory of permanent residence within a year of the opening of the Games, unless the funding jurisdiction provides permission for the athlete to compete for another team.

            - OR

(iv)    Other similar circumstances may be considered.

7.  An athlete is permitted to try out for any province or territory of eligibility but can only try out for one province or territory per sport (i.e. an athlete may try out for swimming for one province or territory but cannot try out for swimming in another province or territory.  An athlete may try out for one province or territory in swimming, and may try out for another province or territory in diving).

8.  Athletes may only compete for one province or territory at a single Canada Games.

9.  Athletes may not compete in two sports at one Canada Games if they are scheduled in the same week.

10. The eligibility of any athlete that is not clearly established by these rules and by the Technical Package shall be determined by the Sport Committee of the Council.  Coaches or PSOs must bring forward any unclear cases to their Chef de Mission and to their NSO as early as possible before the competition for forwarding to the Sport Committee.

11. Where a team/province/territory/Chef wishes to challenge the eligibility of an athlete on another provincial/territorial team, it is expected that such a challenge will be made as soon as the protesting team knows that an athlete may be ineligible.  Every effort must be made to ensure that protests on eligibility are lodged before an athlete competes.

Other

12. All teams are reminded of the Canada Games Council's regulations concerning advertising on uniforms: only the uniform manufacturer's name or trade mark logo may be worn on team competition uniforms to a maximum size of 60 square centimeters.

13. Canada Games rules do not allow team staff to practice as therapists, physicians or other medical or paramedical practitioners.  The Host Society (organizing committee) is responsible for providing high quality medical care at a central clinic at the Athletes' Village and at competition and training venues.  The Sport Medicine Council of Canada assists the Host Society by providing additional medical practitioners to ensure that French and English speaking and male and female persons are available, to ensure that sport specific medical expertise is available and to ensure that all regions of Canada are represented.  Team staff will not be permitted to administer medical care to athletes.

**APPENDIX 2**

**Swimming Canada Event Entries Procedures**

Entry

- All competitors must submit entries in Hy-Tek.cl2 or .sdif or Splash to
  www.swmimmeet.ca, no later than midnight (12:00 am) on Tuesday July 16, 2013 PST.
  No Deck entries will be accepted.

Proof of Time

- All entries will be proven via the on-line entry system. All times not proven via the on-
  line entry system must be proven at or prior to registration. Coaches must provide proof
  of time prior to their arrival at the meet.
- Meet management may challenge any entry time before or during the competition. It is
  the responsibility of the club to prove any entry times if requested. Any club not able to
  prove an entry time when challenged the swimmer will be seeded as No Time (NT).
- Entry time upgrades or adding events will not be accepted past the entry deadline.
- Official split times for individual events can only be used for entry if proven by complete
  legitimate results.
- Relay times not displayed or proven on the online entry system must be proven as per
  Swimming Canada rule 2.3.
- Unproven times in individual events will not be accepted for entry.

**Swimming Canada Para Swimming Protocol**

Preliminaries

- Swimmers will be Senior seeded (not circle seeded) by time in each of the eligible events for preliminary heats.
- Performances from preliminaries will be assigned a point score from 2012-2013 points charts; the 8 highest point scores will advance to the A final. For example:
  - The Top 8 50 backstroke swims (Sport Classes S1-S5) based on point score will advance to the A final.
  - The Top 8 100 backstroke swims (Sport Classes S6-S14) based on point score will advance to the A final.

Finals

- All finals will be seeded by time and there will be an A final for the Sport Classes in the 50 Backstroke and an A final for the Sport Classes in the 100 Backstroke
  - The performances from the 50 Backstroke A final and the 100 Backstroke A final will be scored using the 2012-2013 Points Charts.
  - The scores from all swims in the two A finals will be merged and ranked from highest to lowest point scores to determine medal positions and final ranking order.

- For example
  - John Smith S7      100 Back      989 pts.      Gold
  - Bill Black S5      50 Back      900 pts.      Silver
  - Jeff Blue S5      50 Back      895 pts.      Bronze
  - Fred Williams      100 Back      841 pts.      4th
  - Sal Gonzalez S10      100 Back      800 pts.      5th
  - Matt Walker S4      50 Back      766 pts.      6th
  - Sean Gordon S11      100 Back      732 pts.      7th
  - Greg Watts S3      50 Back      658 pts.      8th
  - And so on….

- This protocol will be applied to the 200/400 Free event; 50/100 Backstroke event; 50/100 Breaststroke event; 50/100 Butterfly event and 150/200 Individual Medley event as outlined above.