

Swimming Selection Criteria Commonwealth Games Glasgow 2026 *A 2028 LA OLYMPICS Qualifier*

Dates: July to 2nd August 2026
Venue: Tollcross International Swimming Centre

The purpose of this document is to set out the criteria that will be used by KA to select a team of top ranked athletes and Officials for the Commonwealth Games Glasgow 2026 swim team. This is an Olympic Qualifier event. The event will be managed by the National Olympics Committee of Kenya.

1.0 ELIGIBILITY

- a) A Swimmer must be able to represent Kenya in accordance with the eligibility requirement as per the competition guideline and must hold a valid Kenyan passport which meets the entry requirements of the event organizer and or the host country.
- b) A Swimmer must declare him/herself eligible for selection before the competition.
- c) Selected Swimmers must sign the KA Code of Conduct and the eligibility form to be considered before the competition.
- d) Where the Swimmer is under the age of 18 years, the Swimmer's parent(s) or guardian(s) must also sign this agreement.
- e) All athletes who wish to be eligible for selection must fully commit to all aspects of the KA and NOCK preparation plan for the Commonwealth Games 2026. This includes being available for the full duration of the Pre-Commonwealth Games Training Camp, (exact dates and venues to be confirmed once logistical arrangements have been finalized).
- f) To be eligible for final selection a swimmer must participate in a KA National event during the selection window.
- g) All athletes must be available for relay selection.
- h) The KA Executive Committee and NOCK reserve the right to amend these criteria and circulate such amended criteria.

2.0 TEAM SIZE

- a) The team size quota proposed by NOC-K is 4 male and 4 female athletes.
- b) The final team size will be determined by NOC-K

3.0 SELECTION CRITERIA

- a) Athletes per gender, subject to the highest WA point in an individual event will be considered for selection.
- b) Times achieved from 1st June 2025 to 30th June 2026 will be used for selection, 1 Year period before the event subject to NOC-K deadlines.
- c) KA National Championships, Africa Aquatics Championships, Africa Youth Games and World Aquatics Championships times will be used for selection.
- d) An athlete must also meet any other requirements set by NOCK.
- e) In case the selected athlete by ranking is not available, the next available athlete in the ranking will be given the opportunity.
- f) Individual entries will be based on the event for which the Swimmer is selected.

3.0 COMPETITIVE READINESS

- a) “Competitive readiness” is defined as the ability of the athlete to achieve equal or superior performance(s) at the scheduled event, as compared to the performance(s) the athlete achieved in qualifying.
- b) Athletes who do not remain competitively ready by reason of lack of fitness, injury, or illness should not be considered for selection. Athletes and their personal coaches are required to immediately report any injury, illness or change in training that could affect their ability to compete at their highest level at the competition to the KA.
- c) The athletes should have taken part in a high-level competition at least 3 months prior to their selection.
- d) The final decision on competitive readiness will be made in consultation with the swimmer's coach, designated team physician or such other coach who may have knowledge of the swimmer's specific circumstances.

4.0 REMOVAL OF SWIMMER

- a) KA may, at any time, disqualify an athlete from being considered for selection to the Kenya Team or remove an athlete after selection based on current or past behavior of the athlete that is inconsistent with KA's Team Rules, Regulations and Code of Conduct
- b) An athlete will be removed from being considered for selection to the Kenya Team or removed after selection if he/she is found to violate any anti-doping policy or procedure as outlined by the Anti- Doping Agency of Kenya, WA and World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA).

5.0 UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES

- a) Should KA determine that unforeseen or unusual circumstances have arisen during the process of applying these Criteria, KA shall have the full and absolute discretion to resolve the matter as it sees fit, considering factors and circumstances that it deems relevant.
- b) Any such exercise of discretion shall be subject to the principles of fairness.

6.0 TEAM OFFICIALS

KA is committed to promoting gender balance among Team Officials and will ensure this, as far as reasonably practicable

6.1 TEAM COACH

- a) Must be a Kenyan Citizen
- b) Must be a fully registered coach and in a club with good standing with the Federation.
- c) Must submit a current Certificate of Good Conduct
- d) Must be a resident in Kenya and duly employed as a swimming coach by a KA-affiliated organization/team/club.
- e) Must declare him/herself eligible for selection prior to the event.
- f) Must have attained a minimum of Level 3 WA Coach qualification or equivalent.
- g) Must have previous experience of having placed a swimmer(s) who train 80% of the time on the National team with a minimum WA point of 600.
- h) Must be a Kenya Citizen and hold a valid Kenyan passport which expires not earlier than 6 months after the competition, which meets the entry requirements of the event organizer and or the host country.
- i) S/he has no prior record of disciplinary action taken against her/him on matters regarding the management of athletes or such other actions.
- j) Must sign the KA Code of Conduct.
- k) **DEADLINE:** All applications should be sent to info@kenyaaquatics.com and copy



kenyaaquatics@gmail.com by the 22nd of February 2026 at 23:00 hrs EAT.

Attachments

1. Confirmation form to be signed and returned
2. KA code of conduct to be signed and returned
3. WA Points tables <https://www.worldaquatics.com/swimming/points>