

DECLARATION OF AVAILABILITY

To be considered for selection, this form must be completed, stating your availability or unavailability to represent Great Britain in the event below and your compliance with the associated Selection Policy and preparatory requirements.

1. ATHLETE AVAILABILITY/NON-AVAILABILITY

Please indicate your availability, non-availability or non-eligibility by ticking the appropriate box:

	Available	Not Available
EUROPEAN JUNIOR OPEN WATER CHAMPIONSHIPS SETE, FRANCE 12TH JULY 2008	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

<i>If you are not available, please indicate your reasons below:</i>

PLEASE NOTE THAT BRITISH SWIMMING WILL IMPOSE A FINE OF £500 ON ANY SWIMMER WHO WITHDRAWS FROM THE TEAM FOR ANY REASON OTHER THAN ILLNESS OR INJURY (AS CERTIFIED BY AN INDEPENDENT MEDICAL ADVISOR APPROVED BY BRITISH SWIMMING MEDICAL STAFF). ANY ATHLETE FINED SHALL REMAIN INELIGIBLE TO REPRESENT BRITISH SWIMMING OR PARTICIPATE IN BRITISH SWIMMING EVENTS UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE FINE HAS BEEN PAID IN FULL

2. PERSONAL DETAILS

Name		Date of Birth
Current Mobile/ Contact Number		
Current Coach		
Doping Control	<p>Are you taking any medication, including nutritional supplements and over the counter medicines? YES/NO</p> <p>If you have answered YES to the above and you have not yet completed a Medical Declaration or Therapeutic Use Exemption Form then please contact Wendy Coles at the British Swimming Office immediately.</p>	

3. AGREEMENT

I have read and fully understood all aspects of the European Junior Open Water Championships 2008 Selection Policy and acknowledge that failure to comply with any of the Selection Policy conditions including the compulsory dates, could result in my non-selection or withdrawal from the team.

Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

4. COACH SIGNATURE

Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

IMPORTANT NOTE

This form, together with a copy of the European Junior Open Water Championships 2008 Selection Policy signed on each page, must be returned **NO LATER THAN SATURDAY 5th APRIL 2008**

It is your responsibility to personally hand in your completed form to a World Class representative who will be in attendance at the British Long Course Championships. Contact number 07824 314057

FAILURE TO COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM TOGETHER WITH THE SIGNED SELECTION POLICY WILL BE INTERPRETED AS NON AVAILABILITY

GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. The reference to 'available' in the sections above denotes British swimmers and coaches who have declared their availability (as outlined in 3.10) to attend the European Junior Open Water Championships 2008.
2. Only swimmers eligible and available to represent Great Britain at the European Junior Open Water Championships 2008 will be selected.
3. ALL team members will be expected to attend ALL activities organised between the end of the 'selection meets' and the European Junior Open Water Championships 2008, if selected and required to attend by National Performance Director. Under exceptional circumstances, written approval to be excluded from activities may be given by the National Performance Director. Failure to attend compulsory activities could result in withdrawal from the team.
4. Team members will be expected to attend each programmed camp, where selected, on a full-time basis, taking part in all programmed activities. No team member will be allowed to leave a camp or undertake any activities that are not directly relevant to the camp programme, this includes any external media or social activities.
5. Swimmers wishing to take holiday or attend overseas camps and/or competitions between the 'selection meets' and the European Junior Open Water Championships 2008 must gain prior written approval from the National Performance Director.
6. Swimmers becoming ill or injured at any time between the 'selection meets' and the European Junior Open Water Championships 2008 must notify British Swimming immediately and will be required to undertake a full medical examination which may result in the swimmer being withdrawn from the team.
7. Swimmers may be subjected to fitness (land/water) and/or medical tests at any time between the 'selection meets' and the conclusion of the European Junior Open Water Championships 2008. Any swimmers judged to be unfit by the British Swimming National Performance Director will be withdrawn from the team. This decision shall be final.
8. There will be a no replacement policy for swimmers.
9. All selected team members will be required to sign and comply with the British Swimming Code of Conduct.
10. Availability Forms: all swimmers and coaches will be expected to complete an Availability Form to confirm they will be available to participate in the European Junior Open Water Championships 2008. Failure to do so will be interpreted as non-availability by the Federation. Information regarding the distribution of Availability forms will be posted on the British Swimming Website.
11. British Swimming will impose a fine of £500 on any swimmer who withdraws from the team for any reason other than illness or injury (as certified by an independent medical advisor approved by British Swimming Medical Staff). Any athlete fined shall remain ineligible to represent British Swimming or to participate in British Swimming events until such time as the fine has been paid in full.
12. The National Performance Director will exercise his authority to ensure that the best team is selected.
13. Any appeals against selections in relation to this GB Technical Swimming Committee selection policy must be made in accordance with the British Swimming appeals procedures.

2008 EUROPEAN JUNIOR OPEN WATER CHAMPIONSHIPS – COMPULSORY DATES	
31 March – 1 April	European Junior Open Water Selection Phase 1 – British Championships, Sheffield
12 June	Depart for Piombino, Italy For European Junior Open Water Championships Selection Phase 2
15 June	LEN Cup – Selection Phase 2 For European Junior Open Water Championships
16 June	Return to UK
9/10 July	Team departs for European Junior Open Water Championships, Sete, France
12 July	European Junior Open Water Championships, Sete, France
13 July	LEN Cup, Sete France
14 July	Team returns to UK

Please Note: British Swimming will use its best endeavours to secure flights for the specified travel dates above. However, departure and return dates will be subject to flight availability.