

## 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

CANADIAN TRI MEET QUEBEC, CANADA 1<sup>ST</sup> and 2<sup>ND</sup> AUGUST 2008



If you are not available, please indicate your reasons below:

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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

<b>Name</b>		<b>Date of Birth</b>
<b>Current Mobile/ Contact Number</b>		
<b>Current Coach</b>		
<b>Doping Control</b>	<p>Are you taking any medication, including nutritional supplements and over the counter medicines? <b>YES/NO</b></p> <p>If you have answered <b>YES</b> 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 Canadian Tri Meet 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 Canadian Tri Meet 2008 Selection Policy signed on each page, must be returned **NO LATER THAN SATURDAY 5<sup>th</sup> 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**

## 1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 1.1. The reference to 'available' in the sections above denotes British swimmers and coaches who have declared their availability (as outlined in 4.8) to attend the Canadian Tri Meet 2008.
- 1.2. Only swimmers eligible to represent Great Britain at the Canadian Tri Meet 2008 will be selected.
- 1.3. Split times or performances from time trials will not be considered.
- 1.4. Only times recorded at the 'Trials' will be considered.
- 1.5. If swimmers under consideration for selection have finished in an equal placing in the Finals, their Heat performances will be considered for selection. If the said swimmers record an equal time in the Heats, then a swim off will be arranged at a time to be determined by the Director of World Class Programmes if required.
- 1.6. It is compulsory for all selected team members to attend ALL Canadian Tri Meet 2008 programmed training camps/activities organised between the selection trials and departure for the Canadian Tri Meet 2008.
- 1.7. Swimmers may not take holiday or attend overseas camps and/or competitions following Canadian Tri Meet 2008 team selection and the Canadian Tri Meet 2008 without prior written approval from the National Performance Director to ensure no interruption to training.
- 1.8. **Availability Forms:** all swimmers and coaches will be expected to complete an Availability Form to confirm they will be available to participate in the Canadian Tri Meet 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.
- 1.9. Swimmers may be subjected to British Swimming fitness (land/water) and/or medical testing protocols at any time following selection to the Canadian Tri Meet 2008 team and the conclusion of the Canadian Tri Meet 2008. Any swimmers judged to be unfit by the National Performance Director following these performance/medical fitness tests will be withdrawn from the team. This decision shall be final.
- 1.10. Swimmers becoming ill or injured at any time between the Trials and the Canadian Tri Meet 2008 will be required to notify the team manager and may be requested to undertake a full medical examination which may result in the swimmer being released from the team.
- 1.11. Where a swimmer is withdrawn from the team, they may, under exceptional circumstances, be replaced by the next fastest and eligible swimmer from the 'Trials' but only if this swimmer's current fitness is to the satisfaction of the National Performance Director. Such a replacement will be at the discretion of the National Performance Director.
- 1.12. 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.
- 1.13. The National Performance Director will exercise his authority to ensure that the final selection of the Canadian Tri Meet 2008 squad will achieve the best possible results.
- 1.14. All selected team members will be required to sign and comply with the British Swimming Code of Conduct.
- 1.15. 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 CANADIAN TRI MEET – COMPULSORY DATES	
26 July	Team departs for Quebec, Canada
1 & 2 August	Tri Meet
3 or 4 August	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.**