



Provincial Record Policy

Section: Sport Development
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1. Policy Statement

Swim BC places high value on the recognition of elite performances as a measure of outcomes of the athlete development continuum. To that end, Swim BC strives to profile "Provincial Records" by the process of verification, approval, and recognition.

2. Application

BC Provincial Records will be recognized in the same events and age groupings in which Swimming Canada recognizes National Senior, Age Group, Paralympic Program and Masters Records. Records will be recognized for both Long Course Metres (LCM) and Short Course Metres (SCM) results completed in sanctioned competitions or Class I Time Trials.

3. Verification & Declaration

Swim BC staff will have final authority of the verification and declaration of all BC Provincial Records. A record is verified only when results have been posted to the Swimming Canada Registration System (REMS) and Swim BC staff have verified the qualifying swim a BC Provincial Record.

4. Eligibility

To be granted a BC Provincial Record, a swimmer must have achieved an eligible time in a recognized event and must meet the following eligibility criteria where applicable:

- a) Be registered as a Swim BC competitive swimmer in good standing,
- b) Athletes who hold dual or multiple citizenships shall declare Canadian citizenship as their primary nationality for competition purposes in order to be eligible for recognition of provincial records.
- c) Unattached swimmers are eligible to set BC Provincial Records provided they are appropriately registered with Swim BC and meet the other eligibility rules outlined in this document,
- d) Swimmers must reside within the province of British Columbia, for at least 3 months, at the time the record is set,
- e) To recognize a record, swimmers must be residents of British Columbia. This means they must either be Canadian citizens or individuals lawfully admitted to Canada for permanent residence (as defined by the Government of Canada). In addition, they must make their home in BC and be physically present in the province for at least six months in a calendar year.
 - i) Varsity Athletes returning to BC after the varsity season and representing their home club at competitions are exempt from the requirement to be physically present in the province for at least six months in a calendar year

5. Swim BC will recognise:

- a) Performances by a Swim BC registered member,
- b) Performances by a Swim BC registered member of Team BC where such teams are officially designated as such Swim BC,
- c) Performances by a Swim BC registered member of a Canadian National Team where such teams are officially designated as such by Swimming Canada,
- d) Performances by a Swim BC registered member who is eligible for selection to a National Team representing Canada at major international competitions.
- e) Performances by Swim BC registered unattached swimmers awaiting a transfer period between two Swim BC member clubs.



6. Records Resulting from Time Trials:

Records may be ratified from sanctioned Class I time trial results as subject to Swimming Canada rule CSW 3.6.1. Records will not be accepted from Class II time trials.

7. Recognition Procedure:

- a) *At Provincial Competitions:* Once results have been deemed official, Meet Management and/or Swim BC Staff will endeavor to announce and recognize the record as a priority function.
- b) *At Club Invitationals and Class I Time Trials:* Once results have been deemed official, Meet Management will endeavor to announce and recognize the record as a priority function.