

Swimming WA Hall of Legends Criteria

Hall of Legends Induction

Introduction

The Swimming WA (SWA) Hall of Legends is a new elite Alumni category designed to recognize outstanding achievement by Western Australian swimmers on the international stage. Members of the SWA Hall of Legends represent an illustrious group of SWA's most respected and celebrated champions who span time and achievement. They are the "best of the best" who, (through their achievements), have made an enduring or significant contribution to the sport of swimming, inspiring young and old alike.

Elevation from the SWA Hall of Fame into the SWA Hall of Legends is a public acknowledgement of attainment of the extraordinary feats of an individual at an international level that has set them above their peers and captured the attention of the swimming world.

Induction into the SWA Hall of Legends differs from induction into the SWA Hall of Fame. The SWA Hall of Fame acknowledges those who have achieved outstanding results at a National and International level. The Hall of Legends celebrates achievements that are of a level that can only be described as **elite and world class** (i.e. winning an Olympic medal). Inductees into the SWA Hall of Legends **do not** automatically receive Life Membership of SWA and vice versa.

The SWA Board has engaged the SWA Honors and Awards Committee to manage the process on their behalf. The Committee oversees the SWA Hall of Legends nomination process and submits their recommendations to the SWA Board for their endorsement.

Induction into the SWA Hall of Legends is on an "achievement basis" and not necessarily an annual occurrence. No more than 15% of the Hall of Fame may be inducted into the Hall of Legends.

SWA Hall of Legend inductees are recognized at the SWA Swimmer of the Year function.

Principle

To recognize and promote the outstanding achievements of Western Australian athletes at the international level of swimming.

SWA will seek to acknowledge, promote and preserve the achievements of these individuals, by extending to them an appropriate honor in recognition of their outstanding contribution to Swimming in Western Australia.

Criteria for Eligibility

The SWA Hall of Legends is only open to athletes. SWA Hall of Legends Membership is divided into three (3) nomination categories of an Athlete only;

- Pool;
- Open Water Swimming;
- Multi-Class

The following criteria shall be the basis for evaluation and selection of an 'Outstanding or Enduring Achievement' by an Athlete Member of SWA.

Athlete:

Both criteria must be achieved to be considered for induction into the SWA Hall of Legends.

- Competed at, at least one (1) Olympic Games or Paralympic Games;
- Won at least one (1) individual Olympic Medal or Paralympic Medal.

Open Water Swimming Athlete:

- Competed at an International-Standard meet;
- Won a Gold Medal at an International-Standard meet.

Please Note: Nominations will not be considered for selection to the SWA Hall of Legends if the athlete has been subject to disqualification recognized by the governing body of their sport, which precludes them competing in the sport for reasons of use, or consumption of performance-enhancing drugs or banned substances, or use of illegal performance-enhancing techniques.

Unlawful misdemeanors or offences will not bar conferring of an award unless said misdemeanor, offence or conduct of that member is, (in the judgment of the Honors and Awards Committee and the SWA Board), of a nature to be harmful to the reputation and standing of SWA and its Members or is conduct not of the standard expected from a member of SWA.

SWA Hall of Legends Nomination Format and Requirements

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SWA Hall of Legends – Conditions to Revoke

The SWA Board, pursuant to clause 5.1.4.3 and 10.3 of the SWA Constitution has power to revoke an Award as set out below;

- A Member of the Board or the CEO may recommend to the Board at its regular meetings that an award be revoked;
- A written statement must be provided in writing to the Board setting out why the award should be withdrawn and the reasons, facts and evidence why the Member/recipient no longer satisfies the Award selection criteria;
- The Board may appoint a Complaints/Grievance Sub-Committee to consider the recommendation and accompanying material. This sub-committee will follow the protocols and procedures set down by the Board, including the application of Natural Justice.