

# SWIMMING WA

## TRAVEL ASSISTANCE GRANT (TAG)

### GUIDELINES

#### Principle

Competitive athletes travelling interstate from Western Australia incur disproportionate travel and accommodation costs compared to athletes from other states. It is recognised that an assisted relief in offsetting some of these costs is in the best interest of Swimming WA (SWA) members for the pursuit of national representation.

An overarching principle is that athletes should not profit from TAG and SWA reserves the right to request travel costs receipts in acquittal of TAG assistance.

#### Athlete Eligibility

- Athletes must be a financial member of a SWA affiliated swimming Club and must not have been selected to represent a foreign country.
- Western Australian Institute of Sport (WAIS) Scholarship holders are eligible to receive TAG funding, provided total funding from WAIS and SWA does not exceed the total cost of trip. SWA reserves the right to request travel costs and receipts and discuss individual athlete funding with WAIS.
- Athletes are only eligible to a maximum of one (1) payment per National Championships/event.

#### TAG Times

- Athletes must equal or better a TAG time to be eligible for TAG funding at the relevant National Championships/event.
- Open Multi Class (MC) athletes need to achieve a time within 5% or closer to an MC World Record. Open MC athletes are required to work out their time and submit to SWA within 2-weeks after the National Championships.
- Age MC athletes need to achieve a top 4 finish within their age group for individual events at the Australian Age Championships.
- Open water athletes need to finish within the top 3 for age group swimmers and top 5 for open swimmers within thirty seconds of the first placed Australian.

#### Payment

After a National Championships, athletes who have achieved a TAG time will be provided with the requirements documents that are required to be completed.

A TAG payment of \$500 will be paid to eligible athletes once they return the required documents.