

Overview of Athlete Competition Pathway

	SCHOOL COMPETITION	CLUB COMPETITION	NZWP NATIONAL SQUADS & INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS
AGES 5-9 YEAR 3/4/5/6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Club run Year 3/4/5/6 Flippa Ball inter school leagues 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flippa Ball leagues run by Clubs 	
AGES 9-12 YEAR 7/8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intermediate School Leagues NZWP Year 7/8 Festivals (x3) Locally Run Year 7/8 Festivals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NZWP 12&U Olympic Hopefuls Tournament. Club run 12&U tournaments. Transition type competitions: from Flippa Ball to Water Polo 	
AGES 12-14 YEAR 9/10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 9/10 Regional Leagues. NZWP North Island Year 9/10 Cup (Div 1 & 2). South Island Secondary School Cup and Championships – run by Canterbury Water Polo 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 14&U Regional Leagues NZWP 14&U Nationals (Div 1 & 2) 	
AGES 14-16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior Secondary School Regional Leagues NZWP North & South Island Champs NZWP Senior Secondary School Champs (Div 1 & 2) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 16&U Regional Leagues NZWP 16&U Nationals (Div 1 & 2) 	16U Squad – 16 & Under <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Talent ID initial selection (NZWP Coaches) – U14 Nationals NZ Camps trails/observations – selection/reduction Performance training DTE Australia State Championships World Aquatic World U16 Championships (every 2 years)
AGES 16-18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior Secondary Regional Leagues. NZWP North & South Island Champs NZWP Senior Secondary School Champs (Div 1 & 2) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 18&U Regional Leagues NZWP 18&U Nationals 	U18 Squad – 18 & Under <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Talent ID initial selection (NZWP Coaches) – U16 Nationals NZ Camps trials / observations– selection/reduction Performance training DTE Australia State Championships World Aquatic World U18 Championships (every 2 years)
AGES 18-21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NCAA USA University 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 21&U Regional Leagues NZWP 21&U Nationals 	U20 Squad – 20 & Under <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Selection (NZWP Coaches) trials/observatons NZ Camps– selection/reduction Performance training DTE World Aquatics U20 World Championships (every 2 years) Competitions in Australia, USA & Pacific. USA University Scholarship Opportunities
OPEN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FISU University Games (U25) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior Regional Leagues NZWP Suzuki National Water Polo League NZWP Suzuki Division 2 National Water Polo League Cup Challenge NZWP Masters Tournament 	National Squad <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Selection (NZWP Coaches) - trials/observations NZ and Int'l Camps – selection/reduction Performance training DTE Competition/training in Australia. USA University Scholarship Opportunities International professional contract opportunities. World Aquatics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Championships World Cup Olympics