

IMSHOF Selectors – Confirmation of Interest

The International Marathon Swimming Hall of Fame (IMSHOF) Executive Committee evaluates and adds new Selectors, for a specific term, based on confirmation of their interest and to enhance global representation and proved balance of era, roles, gender, and contribution.

The IMSHOF Selection Committee votes for the IMSHOF inductees and ISHOF award winners. This committee is made up as follows. <u>here.</u>

Contribution requires:

1. Participating in the annual voting

2. Be active in the sport of marathon swimming. This activity can take many forms including, but not limited to:

- a. Continue to swim marathons
- b. Continue to coach/crew marathon swimmers
- c. Continue to pilot marathon swims

d. Continue to be involved in the administration of marathon swimming organizations/events

e. Continue to be involved in media/promotions/historical records of the sport (including supplying content to IMSHOF for website/Facebook/Instagram/TikTok)

3. Meet the same ethical requirements expected of all nominees and Honorees: *No pending cases/allegations:*

Drug Test Failure (adverse analytical findings, atypical finding, and other assorted antidoping rule violations) by WADA or an authorized WADA body in any aquatics sport prevents a nominee from being selected and results in the removal of an honoree from the IMSHOF. This does not apply if the finding is overturned on appeal (reduction or removal of any punishment on appeal is not considered if the finding is not overturned). This can be a current test or a future test on an old sample.

Conviction of Sexual Assault on a Child (and all appeals exhausted) by a local court prevents a nominee from being selected and results in the removal of an honoree from the IMSHOF.

Fraud in an organized fashion to create false marathon records (example an organization altering observer logs or selling false marathon completion certificates) prevents a nominee from being selected and results in the removal of an honoree from the IMSHOF.

Safety is a top priority in the sport and Individuals or Organizations which repeatedly engage in unsafe practices do not meet our ethics criteria.

Encourage participation by all interested swimmers and contributors. Individuals or Organizations which repeatedly engage in creating entry barriers or a non-welcoming

environment based on disability; race; country of origin; sex or sexual orientation/preference do not meet our ethics criteria.

IMSHOF continues to monitor this criteria and evolve it over time.

4. Maintain interest, pride, activity and involvement in IMSHOF (beyond just annual voting). This can be accomplished in many ways – some examples are given below:

- a. Attend the annual Induction/Award Ceremonies in some years we have 25+ Honorees/Selectors in attendance! It makes a big difference to the new Inductees and Award winners when their heroes come to their induction.
- b. Nominate others for possible Induction into IMSHOF or ISHOF Awards (this can be completion of a full nomination or a simple suggestion email to one of the Executive Committee members.
- c. Go out of your way to meet IMSHOF Honorees who travel to your country or attend international events you attend.
- d. Visit ISHOF in Florida (museum closed in 2025 and 2026) our umbrella organization. Tell them who you are (your picture may make their newsletter), attend their annual ceremonies, and for individual honorees, proudly wear your IMSHOF sash at their ceremonies.
- e. Make suggestions to one of the Executive Committee members on how to improve/advance IMSHOF
- f. Donate by becoming a Patron
- g. Translate some of the old biographies (to local language) on imshof.org
- h. Help when asked (example give a "private" opinion on a new nominee from your country)
- i. Submit news/content for Facebook/Instagram/TikTok
- j. Share some of the IMSHOF Facebook posts with your friends this is simple and drives interest in IMSHOF and the sport
- k. Mention IMSHOF in your stories and media interviews

The most effective way to reply with your expression of interest is to address points 2 (a-e) and 4 (a-k) above and detail your status and contributions where applicable – to info@imshof.org.

End