



Swimming



COMPETITION MANUAL

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International rules will be followed unless specified in WPFG Guidelines

Age as of Date: 12/31/2027

ENTRY DEADLINE: 2/28/2027

EVENTS

INDIVIDUAL: MEN
WOMEN

50 Meter Freestyle	100 Meter Breaststroke
50 Meter Backstroke	200 Meter Freestyle
50 Meter Butterfly	200 Meter Individual Medley
50 Meter Breaststroke	400 Meter Freestyle
100 Meter Freestyle	800 Meter Freestyle
100 Meter Backstroke	1500 Meter Freestyle
100 Meter Butterfly	

Five (5) INDIVIDUAL Events Maximum: Swimming competitors may enter a total of 5 INDIVIDUAL events and may also enter any relays for which they are eligible (for example; same gender and mixed in the 200 meter freestyle relay). If a competitor enters all possible relays (4) and individual events (5), the total number of events entered is 9.

4 PERSON TEAM RELAY (4 x 50): All Men or All Women
200 Meter Freestyle Relay
200 Meter Medley Relay



4 PERSON TEAM RELAY (4 x 50): At least one male and one female
200 Meter Mixed Freestyle Relay
200 Meter Mixed Medley Relay

Relay Teams

Active-duty competitors from police and fire agencies may combine to form a team regardless of agency size **WITHIN THEIR COUNTRY OF EMPLOYMENT**. Each team can be a combination of police agencies and fire agencies or just police/or just fire.

Retired competitors may combine to form a team in any manner they wish including across country lines with other eligible competitors regardless of police or fire agency.

Men's and Women's events shall be offered in the following age categories:

18-29	60-64
30-34	65-69
35-39	70-74
40-44	75-79
45-49	80-84
50-54	85+
55-59	

Relay Age Groups are calculated from the total age of team member (in whole years) 80 +/- (72- 99) years, 100+ (100-119) 120+ (120 - 159 years), 160+ (160 – 199 years) 200+ (200 – 239 years), 240+ (240 – 279 years), 280+ (280 – 319), 320 + (320-359 years)

AGE CATEGORIES: IMPORTANT NOTE: in individual swimming events, competitors shall compete within their actual age category **ONLY**.

GENERAL SPORT RULES for Open Water Swimming

SCRATCH MEETING: A scratch meeting shall be scheduled two days before swimming begins. The “Date, Time and Place” shall be published in the confirmation letter. This scratch meeting shall be held in close proximity to the WPMG registration area. Pre-registered swimmers with no adds or changes do not need to attend this meeting.

- 1) All relay team captains (Exception: If a relay team has preregistered and arrives at the blocks exactly as preregistered with the four team members eligible and present, this meeting is recommended but not mandatory.)



2) All registered swimmers who wish to swim on a relay but have not already been registered on a team. Note: If a swimmer wishes to swim on a relay, he/she should pre-register for that relay as a “pool entry” on their original entry form. Pre-registered pool entries will be given preference at this meeting. Any swimmer that has not pre-registered as a pool entry and is placed on a relay team at this scratch meeting, will be required to immediately go to the WPFGE registration and register and pay for that relay event and return to the scratch meeting with that documentation. This is the swimmer’s responsibility.

These swimmers shall have documentation from the WPFGE registration indicating they have changed or added a relay-and paid the appropriated fee.

NO CHANGES OR ADDS FOR INDIVIDUAL EVENTS WILL BE ALLOWED AFTER THIS SCRATCH MEETING.

The final formation of relay teams will be established at the scratch meeting and no changes or adds will be allowed thereafter.

A program of events with swimmers and heat numbers should be printed and distributed or posted for competitors and spectators prior to the event. Do not publish an assigned time for each heat/event since heats may be combined and the overall schedule shortened.

Practice: It is beneficial to schedule a practice session in conjunction with a mandatory scratch meeting (the day before the meet) to allow swimmers to familiarize themselves with pool conditions.

The order of events shall be printed in the entry book. Note: This will help competitors decide which events to enter.

The order of events will start with the oldest women’s age category followed by the oldest men’s age category followed by the second oldest women’s age category followed by the second oldest men’s age category etc. and will conclude with the women’s 18-29 division followed by the men’s 18-29 division.

NOTE: ANY CHANGES TO THE ORDER OF EVENTS SHALL BE APPROVED BY THE WPFGE DIRECTOR FOR SWIMMING PRIOR TO ANY PUBLICATION OF EVENTS.



AWARDING OF MEDALS TO ATHLETES

During the medal presentation, only athletes are allowed to participate in this ceremony. Each athlete and **SHALL** present their Athlete's Credential. If the athlete does not present their Athlete's Credential, they **SHALL NOT** receive a medal. This is a mandatory requirement to receive a medal.

Technical Support Personnel and children are not allowed on the podium with the teams during the medal presentation.

The sport coordinator **SHALL** have in their possession a copy of the CSE Report for verification of participation. This will determine and verify which event the athlete was entered into.