

**XIX CATALAN OPEN MASTERS SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**DATES:** Saturday, **18 May 2013** – Starts at **10:00 hours AM**  
(Beyond 700 participants, for each 50 more participants, the start time will be advanced 30 minutes)

Sunday, **19 May 2013** – morning session starts at **09:00 hours AM**

**PLACE:** Barcelona  
To be decided

**POOL:** 50 m., 8 lanes

**TIMING:** Automatic electronic timekeeping

**1. PARTICIPATION:**

1.1. It is open to all swimmers with current license and also to national and international teams.

**2. AGE GROUPS:**

2.1. Age groups in swimming competitions will be as follow:

INDIVIDUAL EVENTS	
Category	Age
+20	20-24 years
+25	25-29 years
+30	30-34 years
+35	35-40 years
+40	40-44 years
+45	45-49 years
+50	50-54 years
+55	55-59 years
+60	60-64 years
+65	65-69 years
+70	70-74 years
+75	75-79 years
+80	80-84 years
+85	85-89 years
+90	90-94 years
+95	95-99 years
+100	100-104 years

RELAY EVENTS	
Category	Age
Pre-master	80-99 years
+100	100-119 years
+120	120-159 years
+160	160-199 years
+200	200-239 years
+240	240-279 years
+280	280-319 years
+320	320-359 years

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3.1. Entries, settlement sheet and entry fee's payment by bank transfer, should be made not later than **7 May 2013 before 12:00 hours PM**.

3.2. Entries can be sent by email at the follow email address: [masters@natacio.cat](mailto:masters@natacio.cat) or by fax: 34.93.487.88.74.

3.3. Entries sent later of the deadline won't be accepted.

3.4. Entry fee is **8.00 €** per each individual event and **10.00 €** per each relay team. (Organizing committee will provide the settlement sheets).

**Once completed your entries, possible withdraws are not entitled to the return of the amount of entry fees**

	Date
ENTRIES DEADLINE	07/05/2013
PROVISIONAL PARTICIPANTS LIST	10/05/2013
FINAL PERIOD PARTICIPANTS LIST CLAIMS	14/05/2013
FINAL PARTICIPANTS LIST	15/05/2013
STARTING LISTS	16/05/2013

3.5. To formalize the entries, you will need to submit the following documents:

- Entry sheet for individual events – male and female categories.
- Entry sheets for relay events (teams' entries, compositions of different teams).

The organizing committee will provide the entry sheets and compositions of relay teams.

3.6. To validate clubs' entries, you will have to attach the above required documents and also the settlement sheet, check and receipt of money order or bank transfer for the total amount of entry fees (individual and relay events).

**4. PARTICIPATION:****INDIVIDUAL EVENTS**

4.1. Participation is open to all swimmers aged 20 (year of birth 1993 and older), having valid license in master category (annual or for a day), from their territorial federation. Foreign swimmers must satisfy the conditions of their respective federations.

4.2. To be able to take part in our competition, is not necessary to prove a qualifying time, but you must indicate in the entry sheet the official times achieved in other recent competitions. Entries without entry times or with no official times in 400 m. freestyle won't be accepted.

4.3. Each swimmer is able to take part at most in **FOUR INDIVIDUAL EVENTS (4)** during all the competition, plus the relay events.

4.4. The 400 m. freestyle event will be swum with one swimmer per lane.

#### RELAY EVENTS

4.5. In all the relay events, each club is able to entry all teams they want in each category, but swimmers must be different, that means swimmers won't be able to take part in two relay teams in the same event, although they are in different categories.

4.6. In case of a swimmer only take part in the relay events, it is necessary to inform us about this matter when you formalize the entries. It won't be accepted the participation of any swimmer that is not pre-registered previously in the list of names of participants.

4.7. Pre-masters category swimmers (+20...20-24 years old), cannot participate in any relay team of more than 99 years.

4.8. In the pre-masters category relays, may participate swimmers over 24 years, provided the sum of the ages of the four components of the relay team does not exceed 99 years.

4.9. Clubs must send the relay teams composition in the corresponding sheets, together with the entries and the four components of the team. Later, it will be able to make changes **up to 15 minutes before the start of each session**. In the relay teams composition sheets you shall show the swimming license number, name and both surnames and year of birth of swimmers who form the team **in the same order they will swim** and the years sum of the team.

4.10. In case of not fill in all the requested data, the competition's referee jury won't allow to take part the team in the event was entered.

4.11. Category changes of the relay teams will be allowed up until the publication of the competition's starting lists. Later, changes won't be allowed.

4.12. If a swimmer withdraw and cannot be replaced by another swimmer without affecting the category who below the entered team, the club which owns this team must withdraw the relay team **up to 30 minutes before the start of each session of the competition**. In no case shall permit a change of category of the relay team after the authorized period.

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**5. COMPETITION RULES:**

5.1. The competition will be held in 2 days.

5.2. The competition will be swimming by the time trial system:

- Individual events of 50 and 100 m. and relays events will be swimming **BY CATEGORIES** (provided the competition's timing allows it).
- Individual events of 200 and 400 m. will be swimming **BY ENTERED TIMES**, regardless of the category to which belongs the swimmer.

5.3. It will be applied the **UNIQUE START SYSTEM** for all competition.

5.4. Swimmers must stay into the pool, in their own lane, once finished their event until the referee authorize them to leave the pool, once the next heat has started.

**6. RESULTS:**

Once each event has finished, the results will be published in our web site ([www.natacio.cat](http://www.natacio.cat)). Under no circumstances the organizing committee will provide results in paper.

**7. AWARDS:**

7.1. The first three male and female swimmers classified in each individual event by categories will have medals, as well as the first three clubs classified in the relay events also by categories.

7.2. The best male and female times according to CATALAN Table in each category will have a trophy.

7.3. The oldest male and female swimmers will have a trophy.

7.4. The clubs with the largest number of participants (joint category – male and female) will have a trophy.

7.5. All participants will get a certificate of participation.

7.6. Each swimmer who improves a new master record will get a certificate of recognition.

7.7. All participants will get a gift reminder.



**8. PROGRAM:**

1 <sup>st</sup> DAY 18 May 2013 - 10:00 h. AM		2 <sup>nd</sup> DAY 19 May 2013 - 09:00 h. AM	
1.- Men's 400m Freestyle		23.- Women's 400m Freestyle	
2.- Women's 50m Butterfly		24.- Men's 100m Butterfly	
3.- Men's 50m Butterfly		25.- Women's 100m Butterfly	
4.- Women's 200m Freestyle		26.- Men's 100m Backstroke	
5.- Men's 200m Freestyle		27.- Women's 100m Backstroke	
6.- Women's 50m Backstroke		28.- Men's 100m Breaststroke	
7.- Men's 50m Backstroke		29.- Women's 100m Breaststroke	
8.- Women's 200m Breaststroke		30.- Men's 400m Individual Medley	
9.- Men's 200m Breaststroke		31.- Women's 100m Freestyle	
10.- Women's 400m Individual Medley		32.- Men's 100m Freestyle	
11.- Men's 50m Freestyle		33.- Women's 200m Individual Medley	
12.- Women's 50m Freestyle		<b>Awards Ceremony</b>	
13.- Men's 200m Backstroke		34.- Men's 4 x 50m Medley Relay	
14.- Women's 200m Backstroke		35.- Women's 4 x 50m Medley Relay	
15.- Men's 50m Breaststroke		36.- Mixt's 4 x 100m Freestyle	
16.- Women's 50m Breaststroke			
17.- Men's 200m Butterfly			
18.- Women's 200m Butterfly			
19.- Men's 200m Individual Medley			
20.- Women's 4 x 50m Freestyle Relay			
21.- Men's 4 x 50m Freestyle Relay			
22.- Mixt's 4 x 100m Medley Relay			

**9. CHAMPIONSHIPS COMPETITION COMMITTEE**

9.1. The Championships Competition Committee will be chaired by a member of the Catalan Swimming Federation's Masters Committee and also will consist of a representative of the Catalan Swimming Federation, the competition's main referee and a member of the organizer club.

**10. COMPETITION'S DIRECTOR**

10.1 The competition's director will be appointed by the organizers in accordance with the Catalan Swimming Federation's Master Committee.



## **11. AMENDMENT OF RULES**

11.1. The Catalan Swimming Federation has the right to modify these rules when circumstances may need, prior notification to the participating clubs.

## **12. UNFORESEEN RULES**

12.1. Any contingency not covered by these Regulations and referring to the competition will be solved in accordance with the Catalan Swimming Federation's Sporting Rules.