

## **SWIMMING REGULATIONS**

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### **1. Organization**

- a. The Swimming Committee of the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah will be responsible for the Swimming competitions of the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah.
- b. The Swimming competitions will be conducted according to the rules of the International Swimming Federation (F.I.N.A.).
- c. Participation in the competition is open to any athlete who is in possession of a Participant Card, issued by the Organizing Committee of the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah and registered the swimming competitions.
- d. For each Juniors and Open competition, country may enter up to a maximum of **five (5)** swimmers for each event with a maximum of 3 advancing to the Championship final ("A" final).
- e. For Masters competitions each country may enter up to a maximum of five (5) swimmers for each event.***
- f. Each country may enter one (1) team only for each relay event. In relay races, if there are less than 6 teams in a race, then teams can be comprised of swimmers from countries who do not have a team ("composite relay"). System will be clarified during Heads of Teams meeting.
- g. "Composite relays" will be treated as invitation teams, eligible to win medals should they finish first, second or third in a relay final. However medals must be awarded to the first, second and third placed National teams.
- h. In all divisions swimmers may enter an unlimited number of events.***
- i. A Masters swimming competition will be held for swimmers in eight (8) age groups:  
35 – 39, 40 – 44, 45 – 49, 50 – 54, 55 – 59, 60 – 64, 65 - 69 and 70+***  
***REMARK: In relay events there will be only two (2) age groups: 35 – 49 and 50+. Each country can register it's swimmers in only one team for each age group. Countries that can not form a team may combine with other countries to make a team.***
- j. The Masters events will be run based upon times and not on age. The medals will be awarded based upon age groups. No finals will be held in Masters competitions.***
- k. A specific **Masters** event will be held only if there is a minimum registration of four (4) countries and a minimum of 5 (five) swimmers.
- l. The complete list of **Masters** swimmers that include names, ages, events and best time, must be included in **Entry # 2 (November 30, 2008)**

### **2. Venues and times**

- a. The Swimming Committee of the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah will determine the venues and timetables of the Swimming competitions and teams will be notified accordingly.
- b. The Swimming Committee is authorized to change the venues and times of the competitions. These decisions will be final.
- c. The competitions will be held in swimming pools that meet the requirements of International Rules.

**3. Events**

Competitions in the **Open** and **Juniors** Maccabiah will be held in the following events.

**MALE****FEMALE****Day 1:**

100m freestyle  
200m breaststroke  
200m backstroke  
200m butterfly

100m freestyle  
200m breaststroke  
200m backstroke  
200m butterfly

**Day 2:**

100m butterfly  
200m freestyle  
400m individual medley  
4 x 100m freestyle (finals only)

100m butterfly  
200m freestyle  
400m individual medley  
4 x 100m freestyle (finals only)

**Day 3:**

100m backstroke  
400m freestyle  
100m breaststroke  
4 x 200 freestyle (finals only)

100m backstroke  
400m freestyle  
100m breaststroke  
4 x 200 freestyle (finals only)

**Day 4:**

200m individual medley  
50m freestyle  
1500m freestyle (open only)  
4 x 100m medley relay (finals only)

200m individual medley  
50m freestyle  
800m freestyle (open only)  
4 x 100m medley relay (finals only)

**\* Events will alternate by division: Juniors, then Open – unless otherwise noted.**

Competition in the **Masters'** Division will be held as follows:

**Day 1:**

200m. free style female  
200m. free style male  
50m. butterfly female  
50m. butterfly male  
100m. backstroke female  
100m. backstroke male  
4 x 50m. free style relay female  
4 x 50m. free style relay male

**Day 3:**

100m. butterfly female  
100m. butterfly male  
50m. breast stroke female  
50m. breast stroke male  
100m. freestyle female  
100m. freestyle male  
50m. backstroke female  
50m. backstroke male

**Day 2:**

50m. free style female  
50m. free style male  
200m. individual medley female  
200m. individual medley male  
100m. breaststroke female  
100m. breaststroke male  
400m. freestyle female  
400m. freestyle male  
4 x 50m. medley relay female  
4 x 50m. medley relay male

**4. System of competition**

- a. In order to be placed in the preliminaries, each swimmer must register his/her best time in the list of events in which she/he is competing.
- b. In the event of identical results, registered in the list, placement will be determined by a computer draw.
- c. A swimmer who does not register his/her time will be listed with a **"No time"** or **"NT"** for that specific event.
- d. Preliminary heats will be held in all events, with the exception of open 800m freestyle women and open 1500 freestyle men, as well in relay events, in which the best heat will take place in the afternoon and the rest in the morning.
- e. The eight swimmers with the best results in the preliminary heats will qualify for the Championship final ("A" Final).
- f. A consolation final (B finals) will be run in events where more than 18 swimmers participated in the preliminaries.
- g. Appeals will be presented to the Committee of Appeals of the Swimming events, no later than 15 minutes after the announcement of the disqualification.
- h. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to combine Junior and Open Teams relay events according to the registration. Medals will be awarded according to categories.

**5. Judges**

The Swimming Committee will select a Referees' Committee, which in turn will appoint the judges of the competition.

**6. General**

- a. These regulations are but one part of the complete 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah Regulations, and must be read along with the instructions found in "Basic Regulations and Disciplinary Procedures".
- b. In the event of a discrepancy between the regulations written here and those appearing in the "Basic Regulations", the regulations written here will apply and be binding.