



# MEET INFORMATION

2019 McDonald's Queensland OW Championships

Lake Kawana  
Saturday, 19 October 2019





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# EVENT DETAILS

## Eligibility

This meet is open to Swimming Queensland registered competitive swimmers, competitive swimmers registered with clubs affiliated with other State Associations, and international swimmers who meet the clearance criteria.

## Clearance Criteria

International swimmers and teams must supply a letter of clearance from their National Swimming Federation to satisfy the clearance criteria. International swimmers training with, or members of, clubs in Australia must enter under the name of their International Federations.

Clearances must be submitted to the [Nominations Officer](#) before the closing date.

## Age

Age group of competitors for this meet is the age as at the day of competition (i.e. 19 October 2019). Exemptions:

- 12 year-old competitors who turn 13 years in 2020 may nominate for the 13yrs 5km event (i.e. born in 2007).
- 14 year-old competitors who turn 15 years in 2020 may nominate for the 15yrs 7.5 km event (i.e. born in 2005).

## Qualifying Times

There are no qualifying times for this meet.

## Entries

Entries are to be completed online via Swim Central using the link which will be made available on the event page of our website.

International swimmers and teams are to contact the [Nominations Officer](#) for entry procedure information.

**Entries close Midnight, Tuesday 8 October 2019.**

## Entry Fees

Online Meet Entry	\$40.00*
International Swimmer	\$42.00
Relay Entry	\$50.00*

\*Plus a transaction fee (debit/credit card processing) of 1.5%

## Late Entries

All entries submitted after 8 October are \$50 per event.

Late entries will be accepted at the Registration Desk up until 1 hour before the commencement of the competition. Late entries are subject to transponder availability.

## Entry List

The entry list will be available on the event page of our website after midday on Friday 11 October 2019. All competitors must check their entries thoroughly and if any discrepancies are noted, they [must be submitted using the online form](#) by Midnight, Sunday 13 October.

## Tickets and Programs

Spectator tickets are not required for this meet. A small number of free programs will be available.

## Timeline

The timeline for this meet will be published on the event page of our website on or before Wednesday 16 October 2019.

## Venue

This meet will take place at Lake Kawana, located on Sportsman Parade, Bokarina on the Sunshine Coast.

## Mixed Relays

Mixed Relays must consist of two (2) males and two (2) females. A swimmer is permitted to swim in one relay only.

## Rules

- All Swimming Queensland General Rules, Open Water Championship By-Laws, SAL & FINA Open Water Swimming Rules apply.
- NO swapping of distances will be accepted on the day.
- FINA OWS Rule 6.17 will be applied at this Meet:
  - OWS 6.17

In all events, time limits shall apply as follows from the finish time of the first swimmer (meaning first swimmer in each age group): 15min per 5km (or part thereof) up to a maximum time of 120min.



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## - OWS 6.17.1

Competitors who do not finish the course within the time limits "shall be removed from the water except that the Referee may allow a competitor outside the time limit to complete the course but not be eligible for any points or prizes."

- **Swimmers must be capable of completing the distance they nominate to swim.**
- Swimmers will be checked before entering the water to ensure:
  - fingernails and toenails are trimmed short
  - no body jewellery is being worn (including tongue studs and watches)
- No wetsuits or flotation devices will be permitted.
- One handler per swimmer in the 10km & 7.5km events will have access to the feeding station, located on the eastern foreshore between the start and the first turn buoy. No feeding in 5km, 2.5km and 1.25 km events.

## Registrations

Competitors' registration starts from 7.00am until the commencement of the pre-race brief (20 minutes prior to each race start time).

## Pre-Race Brief

A pre-race briefing for all competitors will be held near the finish tower 20 minutes prior to each race start time.

## Escort Craft

Safety craft will be in attendance. Individual escort craft are not permitted.

## Transponders

Transponders will be used at this meet. FINA OWS 7.2.2 will be applied at this meet.

### - OWS 7.2.2

It is mandatory for all swimmers to wear a microchip transponder on each wrist throughout the race. If a swimmer loses a transponder, the Race Judge or other authorized Official will immediately inform the Referee, who will instruct the responsible Official on the water to issue a replacement transponder. Any swimmer who finishes the race without a transponder will be disqualified.

Competitors must return their transponders to the Clerk of the Course when having their names checked off at the checkpoint at the finish of their event (the checkpoint will be located under the McDonald's marquee on the sand, where the First Aid attendant will be stationed). If a competitor fails to return the transponder/s, they will be liable to reimburse Event Timing at the rate of \$75.00 per transponder for replacement of the missing unit/s.

## Waiver & Indemnity Form

Important: Stockland Park no longer requires SQ to collect Waiver & Indemnity Forms on its behalf from all athletes competing at this meet. The reason for this is that Stockland Park's liability is now covered by the Lake Permit issued to SQ, Schedule 3 - Permit Conditions - Clause 1(n) which states: "Obligations of Hirer - The Hirer (SQ) must: use Lake Kawana at the Hirer's own risk, including risks of swimming, submerged objects and marine creatures".

## Medals

Medals will be awarded to the first three placegetters in the following age categories:

- 10 km (16yrs, 17yrs, 18yrs, and Open)
- 7.5 km (15yrs, 16yrs, 17yrs, 18yrs, and Open)
- 5 km (13yrs, 14yrs, 15yrs, 16yrs, 17yrs, 18yrs, and Open)
- 2.5 km (12yrs, 13yrs, 14yrs, 15yrs & Over)
- 1.25 km (11yrs, 12yrs, 13yrs)

## Results

Live results will be made available for this meet and will be accessible from the event page of our website. Following the conclusion of the meet, a PDF results file will be published on our website. *Please note, TM Results files will only be provided, on request, to club race secretaries.*

## Photo Release

In nominating for this meet, swimmers agree that they may be photographed by Swimming Queensland's approved photographer and that the photos may be used by Swimming Queensland at its discretion.

# PROGRAM OF EVENTS

Saturday, 19 October

Registration: 7:00am

Start Time: 8:30 a.m.

Event	Age	Gender	Distance	Time
1.	13 Years & Over	Men's	5 km	8:30 am (approx.)
2.	15 Years & Over	Men's	7.5 km	8:30 pm (approx.)
3.	16 Years & Over	Men's	10 Km	8:30 am (approx.)
4.	13 Years & Over	Women's	5 Km	8:40 am (approx.)
5.	15 Years & Over	Women's	7.5 Km	8:40 am (approx.)
6.	16 Years & Over	Women's	10 km	8:40 am (approx.)
7.	12 Years & Over	Men's	2.5 km	11:00 am (approx.)
8.	12 Years & Over	Women's	2.5 Km	11:10 am (approx.)
9.	11 - 13 Years	Boys	1.25 km	12:00 noon (approx.)
10.	11 - 13 Years	Girls	1.25km	12:10 pm (approx.)
11.	13 Years & Over	Mixed <sup>#</sup>	4x500m	12:45 pm (approx.)
12.	11 - 13 Years	Mixed <sup>#</sup>	4x250m	1:15 pm (approx.)

<sup>#</sup>Mixed Relays must consist of two (2) males and two (2) females. A swimmer is permitted to swim in one relay only.

## Special Notes:

- **Proposed Race Order & Start Times** are subject to change, if necessary, without notice, due to nomination numbers.
- **Pre-Race Briefings** will take place 20 minutes prior to the start of each event.
- Swimming Queensland reserves the right to cancel the event, if needed.