



antigua & barbuda
swimming federation

**4th Annual Invitational
SWIMMING
CHAMPIONSHIPS**

2017

MEET SUMMONS

ANTIGUA ATHLETIC CLUB

ST. JOHN'S

ANTIGUA

OCTOBER 20th-22nd, 2017

Annual ABSF INVITATIONAL SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2017

You are cordially invited to participate in the 4th Annual ABSF Invitational Swimming Championships. This competition will be conducted under the sanction of the Antigua Barbuda Swimming Federation and FINA rules.

1. DATE AND VENUE

DATE: October 20 -22 2017

VENUE: Antigua Health & Fitness Club

No. 24 Pavilion Drive (Coolidge, Antigua, W.I.)

Coolidge St. John's

POOL SPECIFICATIONS: 6 Lane, 25m pool

Dolphin Semi- Automatic Electronic Timing System

2. SCHEDULE

Thursday 19th October

Technical Meeting - 6:30 p.m. @ Antigua Health & Fitness Club

Friday 20th October (Day 1):

Warm up: 4:00pm - 5:30pm

Championships – 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Saturday 21st October (Day 2):

Warm-Up: 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Opening Ceremony 9:10 a.m.

Championships – 9:30 a.m.

Sunday 22nd October (Day 3):

Warm-Up: 7:45 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.

Championships – 9:30 a.m.

Awards and Closing Ceremony 5:00 p.m.

3. REGISTRATION AND ENTRIES

All Entries must be made in Hy-Tek Meet Manager format electronically or by using the accompanying excel entry form. They must arrive by **Friday, October 13th, 2017**. (The required Hy-Tek format or the Excel entry spread sheet will be distributed separately by electronic mail and will be posted on www.swimantiguabarbuda.com). **For a seed time the FINA rule needs to be observed, it is a BEST OFFICIAL TIME ACHIEVED IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS not a time you hope to achieve.** Only if you have no seed time should you enter NT. Entries must be sent to Roy Bento at Email: roy@harpersoffice.com or Fax: 1 268 462 5563.

4. COMPETITION RULES

4.1. THE COMPETITION

The Competition will be conducted in accordance with FINA Rules in force at the start of the competition. FINA Rule SW 4.4 shall be applied. Throughout the Meet there will be a no FALSE-START rule for age groups 9-10 and older, and a two false start rule for younger age groups.

**STARTS WILL BE OVER THE TOP WHERE EVER POSSIBLE.
ALL EVENTS are TIMED FINALS**

4.2. PROTESTS

The designated team representative must file a signed protest to a referee decision with the meet referee within 30 minutes of the posted results of the event. The cost of the protest will be ECD\$100. The protest will go to the protest committee that will be named prior to the meet start. If the protest is upheld the fee will be returned to the team official.

4.3. AGE GROUPS

Competitors will compete in the following age groups:

- 8 & under
- 9 - 10
- 11 - 12
- 13 - 14
- 15 & over

All individual events will be swum in the age categories 8 & under, 9-10 and 11 & over but will be scored by age groups. Events over 200m and the 200m Freestyle will be swum as Open Events and also scored according to Age Group.

For the relay events, the age groups shall be as follows:

- 10 & Under
- 11-14
- 15 & Over

The swimmer's age group shall be determined by the age of the swimmer as of **midnight on 31st December 2016**.

4.4. ELIGIBILITY

Competitors must be amateurs as defined by FINA and registered swimmers with the Federation of the country sanctioning their participation. All local swimmers must be registered with ABSF through their clubs. Unattached swimmers are encouraged to participate.

4.5. ENTRIES

RULES AND REGULATIONS:

1. There is **NO** limit to the number of swimmers which your club can enter in an individual event, however, only the two fastest swimmers will score team points. There shall be neither substitutes nor alternatives in individual events.
2. Unattached swimmers are encouraged to participate.
3. There is no limit to the number of Relay Teams a Club can enter in an event. however, only one relay team will score points.
4. There is no restriction on the number of events in which an individual competitor may participate.
5. Heats will be announced and all swimmers missing their respective heat will not be allowed to take part in that event.
6. Where an event is not available in a specific age group, Swim Ups will only be allowed if space is available in a heat in that event. No new heats will be created for swim-ups. All swim ups (or downs) will be exhibition only.
7. The fees are as follows:
 - a. EC\$50.00 - Team Fee
 - b. EC\$75.00 – Individual Fee (6 or more events)
 - c. EC\$50.00 – Individual Fee (5 or less events)
 - d. EC\$ 10.00 - Penalty fee for swimmers who fail to scratch, or fail to swim. This penalty must be paid before the swimmer is permitted to swim further in this Meet.
8. EC\$ 10.00 - per late entry after Technical meeting. These entries will only be allowed in heats with open lanes in an already seeded event.
9. **ENTRY FEES MUST BE PAID BEFORE START OF MEET. SWIMMERS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE UNLESS CLUBS PAY IN MEET FEES. ALL MEET FEES SHOULD BE PAID IN ON FRIDAY 20TH OCTOBER. LATE FEES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**
10. Competitors should be entered with a seed time or NT (No Time). Swimmers will be seeded in each event according to ENTRY TIMES.
11. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to cancel an event if the registration is less than 3 individuals.
12. The Organizing Committee also reserves the right to combine heats to enable greater efficiency of the meet schedule.
13. Swimmers competing in relay events must be registered in the meet.

14. Relay forms must be filled in duplicate and handed in at the Computer Desk thirty (30) minutes before the start of the first event of the Session; a copy must be handed to the Head Lane Time keeper at the beginning of the event.
15. The Mixed Medley relay must have at least one male and one female in the relay team.
16. Any change must be made no later than four (4) events prior to the scheduled event number; after that, only on the presentation of a valid medical certificate. The swimmers must be named in order of swimming in accordance with FINA rules..
17. Local clubs are required to submit, with their entries, a list of volunteers to act as Technical Officials and to perform other duties essential to the smooth running of the competition. Clubs must submit the names of volunteers to the ABSF at least four(4) days before the start of the competition. Volunteers MUST report to the volunteer desk at least 30 minutes before the start of the competition for registration and assignment.

Please use the following to providing timers for the meet.

- 1-10 swimmers – 2 timers per session
- 11-20 swimmers – 5 timers per session
- +20 swimmers – 7 timers per session

5. AWARDS

1. Medals will be awarded to the first three (3) places in each event (male & female).
2. Trophies will be awarded to the swimmer in each group, male and female, with the highest number of points. High Point Medals will be awarded to swimmers placing second and third. **This will be evaluated over the swimmer's 10 best events. Please note that there are no ties for the age-group high-point awards. In the event of more than one swimmer amassing the same number of points at the end of the meet, the swimmer with the higher number of individual victories will be given the award. Should there be an equal number of victories, the number of second place finishes, third place etc. shall be the determining factor.**
3. A Championship Trophy will be awarded to the 1st placed Team in the competition.
4. Scoring shall be as follows:
Individual Events 9, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 **Relays Double Points**
6. Relays will be awarded ribbons and not medals.

6. Spectator/Supporter Fees

Spectator/Supporter Fees will be as follows:

- EC\$25 Weekend Pass (adult)
- EC\$10 per session (Adult) per day (13yrs & over)
- EC\$5 per session per day (Children aged 5 – 12 yrs)
- Children under 5 years – no charge
- Meet Programme - \$5 daily

7. REFRESHMENTS

Food and drink will be available on the premises, throughout the meet. **No outside food or drinks** except water will be allowed to be consumed on the premises. This is a private club and all are asked to respect these rules.

8. TECHNICAL MEETING

There will be a brief Technical Meeting on Thursday 25th February 2016 at 6:30 pm at the Antigua Athletic Club. At this meeting, swimmers may be scratched from events but no alternates or substitutes will be permitted. Clubs overseas should have their scratches submitted on this day by 6:00pm.

9. OPENING OF POOL

The pool will be opened 90 minutes before the scheduled start of the competition session. The pool will be closed 10 minutes before the start of the competition.

10. TRANSPORTATION

A. Overseas Teams are responsible for arranging their own transportation to and from Antigua and the cost there-of.

B. Teams are also responsible for arranging their own transportation from the airport to their chosen hotel.

C. The recommended hotels are all within 5 – 10 mile distance of the Antigua Athletic Club.

11. ACCOMMODATION

Teams are responsible for arranging their own accommodation and the costs thereof. The following hotels are all within a 10-15min drive of the Championship Venue:

Siboney Beach Club
Dickenson Bay
Tel: 268-462-0806 or 462-3356
E-mail:
Website: www.siboneybeachantigua.com

Siboney Antigua Car Rentals – 268-462-0806

Halcyon Cove Hotel
Dickenson Bay
Tel: 268-462-0256
Fax: 268-462-0271
E-mail: reschanu@rexresorts.net
Website: www.rexresorts.com

Ocean Point Resort & Spa
Hodges Bay

Tel: 1 (268)562-8330
Website: www.oceanpointantigua.com

Anchorage Inn
Dickenson Bay
Tel: 268-462-4065
Fax: 268-462-4066
E-mail: info@antiguaanchorageinn.com
Website: www.antiguaanchorageinn.com

Carters Rent a Car & Guest House
Airport Rd.
Tel: 1(268) 562-2956 (Main Office/Fax)
1(268) 463-0675 (Office)
1(268) 773-0675 (Cell)
Email: cartersrentacar@hotmail.com
Website: cartersguesthouses.com

12. CONTACT INFORMATION

Antigua & Barbuda Swimming Federation
Organizing Committee
Roy Bento
VP – Pool Swimming - ABSF & Meet Director
Tel: 1 268 726 6666
Fax: 1 268 462-5563
Email: roy@absf.ag or roy@harpersoffice.com

Secretary
Bernadette Knight Roberts
Email: secretary@absf.ag

13. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

Federations or Individuals are invited to apply to the Organizing Committee to act as Technical Officials in the Competition. See application form on page 11, Please send requests to:
Edith Clashing
ABSF Technical Director
Tel: 1 268 783-0578
E-mail: techdir@absf.ag

EVENTS:

8 & under (10 events)

25 - Free, Back, Breast, Fly

50 - Free, Back, Breast, Fly

100 - Free

100 – IM

9-10 (12 events)

50 - Free, Back, Breast, Fly

100 - Free, Back, Breast, Fly

200 – Free

400 – Free

800 - Free

100 – IM

11 & over (15 events)

50 - Free, Back, Breast, Fly

100 - Free, Back, Breast, Fly

200 - Free, Back, Breast, Fly

400 - Free

800 – Free (F)

1500 – Free(M)

200IM

Relays:

200m Mixed Medley relay (10 & U, 11-14, 15 & over)

200m Freestyle relay (10 & U, 11-14, 15 & over)

ORDER OF EVENTS

EVENT NO.	EVENT	AGE GROUP
PROGRAMME FOR 4 th ANNUAL ABSF INVITATIONAL 2017		
Friday 6:00 – 8:00 – Session 1		
	50 Backstroke	F/M 8 & Under
	50 Backstroke	F/M 9-10
	50 Backstroke	F/M 11 & over
	100 Individual Medley	F/M 8 & Under
	100 Individual Medley	F/M 9-10
	200 Individual Medley	F/M 11 & over
	4 x 50 Freestyle Relay	F/M 10 & Under
	4 x 50 Freestyle Relay	F/M 11 - 14
	4 x 50 Freestyle Relay	F/M 15 & over
Saturday 9:30 – Session 2		
	400 IM	Open
	50 Breaststroke	F/M 8 & Under
	50 Breaststroke	F/M 9-10
	50 Breaststroke	F/M 11 & over
	25 Freestyle	F/M 8 & Under
	200 freestyle	Open
Lunch Break – 30 min break		
	50 Butterfly	F/M 8 & Under
	200 Butterfly	F/M 11 & over
	100 Backstroke	F/M 9-10
	100 Backstroke	F/M 11 & over
10 min break		
	200 Breaststroke	F/M 11 & over
	100 Freestyle	F/M 8 & Under
	100 Freestyle	F/M 9-10
	100 Freestyle	F/M 11 & Over

Sunday 9:30am – Session 3		
	800 Free	F 11 & over
	1500 Free	M 11& over
	25 Butterfly	F/M 8 & Under
	50 Butterfly	F/M 9-10
	10 min break	
	50 Butterfly	F/M 11 & Over
	25 Breaststroke	F/M 8 & Under
	100 Breaststroke	F/M 9-10
	100 Breaststroke	F/M 11 & Over
	Lunch – 30 min	
	400 Freestyle	F/M Open
	25 Backstroke	F/M 8 & Under
	100 Butterfly	F/M 9-10
	100 Butterfly	F/M 11 & Over
	10 min break	
	200 Backstroke	F/M 11 & Over
	50 Freestyle	F/M 8 & Under
	50 Freestyle	F/M 9-10
	10 min break	
	50 Freestyle	F/M 11 & Over
	4 x 50 Mixed Medley Relay	10 & under
	4 x 50 Mixed Medley Relay	11-14
	4 x 50 Mixed Medley Relay	15 & over
	Awards & Closing Ceremony	

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APPLICATION FORM FOR TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

NAME: _____ SIGNATURE _____

ADDRESS: _____

COUNTRY: _____

I apply to officiate in: Swimming _____

THE POSITION I CAN FILL IS _____

I HAVE SERVED AS A TECHNICAL OFFICIAL FOR THE PAST ____ YEARS: (List meets/events at which officiated and positions served)

NATIONAL: _____

INTERNATIONAL: _____

MY PRESENT POSITION AS TECHNICAL OFFICIAL IS:

a) NATIONAL _____

b) FINA list # _____

This form must be signed by the President or Secretary of the National Federation of the National Federation.

Name _____ Title _____

Date _____

NOTES:

1. TEAM OFFICIALS MAY NOT ACT AS TECHNICAL OFFICIALS
2. THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED BY EMAIL TO THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE OF THE 2017 ABSF INVITATIONAL – techdir@absf.ag NOT LATER THAN **October 10th, 2017**