

	VIII International Swimming Tournament for "Masters" category
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PROVISION

on holding the VIII International Swimming Tournament among the veterans «St.Petersburg OPEN 2013»

Saint Petersburg, June 1-2, 2013.

The competitions are held with the general support of Igor B. Markitantov and the Physical Culture and Sports Committee for Saint Petersburg.

1. Goals and objectives:

- improvement of the sportsmanship of the "Masters" swimmers;
- popularization of swimming and healthy lifestyle promotion;
- strengthening of international friendly ties between the sportsmen and the clubs for veterans of competitive swimming.

2. Holding time frames and site.

The competitions are held on June 1-2, 2013 in the Swimming Center of Saint Petersburg (50 meters, 10 lanes, modern timing system "Omega").

Swimming pool address: Chlopina street 10, Saint Petersburg, travel to Ploschad Muzhestva subway station.

Date of arrival and registration: May 31, 2013, from 10:00 till 18:00. Training time: from 13:30 till 15:30.

Start of competitions:	June 1, 11:00 (warm-up at 10:00),
	June 2, 10:00 (warm-up at 9:00).

3. Competitions arrangement and holding.

The general management of the competitions is exercised by the club for veterans of swimming "Utkina Zavod". The technical support of the competitions is provided by "Akonsoft" Company.

A.P. Mironov holds the position of the Head Judge of the competitions.

E.V. Naumenko is the Chief Scorer of the competitions.

The Responsible Representative of MSF shall be assigned.

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4. Terms of holding of the competitions.

The competitions are held in compliance with the regulations of the International Swimming Federation (FINA) for the "Masters" category:

- persons at the age of 25 and older including the sportsmen who had finished the performance and paid the starting fee of
 400 Roubles per course are admitted to the competitions;
- a each participant bears his/her personal responsibility for the health status during the competitions of which they sign the due form records.
- ≅ within the individual acts of the program, the participants perform in the following age categories (the category affiliation is determined as of December 31, 2013):

25-29	Year of birth 1988-1984	60-64	Year of birth 1953-1949
30-34	Year of birth 1983-1979	65-69	Year of birth 1948-1944
35-39	Year of birth 1978-1974	70-74	Year of birth 1943-1939
40-44	Year of birth 1973-1969	75-79	Year of birth 1938-1934
45-49	Year of birth 1968-1964	80-84	Year of birth 1933-1929

50-54	Year of birth 1963-1959	85-89	Year of birth 1928-1924
55-59	Year of birth 1958-1954	90-94	Year of birth 1923-1919

a the teams of the clubs perform in the relay races in the following age categories:
 100-119 years; 120-159 years; 160-199 years; 200-239 years; 240-279 years; 280-319 years, the relay race starting fee is 500 Roub.;

- ≅ the single start rule is observed in the races for all courses, i.e. the start is given to the participants irrespective of their false start, while the participant who had committed it shall be withdrawn from the course;
- ≅ the start is allowed to be taken not from the starting block, but from the swimming-pool nosing or from water;
- ≅ each participant can start in two individual acts of the program per day maximum (exclusive of the relay race performances).

June 2, Sunday

5. Program of the competitions.

June 1, Saturday

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Relay race 4 x 50 m, free style, women	Relay race 4 x 50 m, free style, men
50 m, free style, women, men	400 m, free style, women, men
50 m, breaststroke, women, men	50 m, butterfly stroke, women, men
100 m, backstroke, women, men	50 m, backstroke, women, men
200 m, medley swimming, women, men	100 m, breaststroke, women, men
Warm-up 20 min	Warm-up 20 min
Relay race 4x50 m, medley swimming, men	Relay race 4x50 m, medley swimming, women
200 m, breaststroke, women, men	100 m, free style, women, men
200 m, free style, women, men	200 m, butterfly stroke, women, men
100 m, butterfly stroke, women, men	200 m, backstroke, women, men
Relay race 4x50 m, medley swimming, mixed	Relay race 4 x 50 m, free style, mixed

6. Terms of applying.

- ≅ The applications are accepted till May 25, 2013 inclusive at the e-mail: on the due form blanks.
- ≅ The applications for relay races are accepted in advance as well as on the day of registration.
- ≅ Each participant has to produce his/her passport or other identity card to the credentials commission during registration.

7. Awarding

The individual and individual all-around competitions are held.

The winners and prize-winners in each act of the program in each age group of individual and relay-race swimming are awarded the medals.

The competition participant certificates are presented to all the sportsmen.

III Formation of combined relay races out of the members of different clubs and individual participants is allowed. When defining the first place in the relay race swimming, the priority is placed on the teams of the clubs, while the combined teams take the places after the club teams irrespective of the time made.

The absolute first place among men and women is determined by the sum of points of three best starts (using the FINA system), and the winners and prize-winners are awarded the special prizes.

8. Financing

The organizers of the competitions incur expenses on arrangement and holding of the competitions according to the approved cost estimate.

The cost of participants' travel to the place of competitions, the accommodation and meal expenses are born by the sending organizations.

9. Accommodation of the participants

For the accommodation issues, please contact Natalya Belinskaya:

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10. Entertainment program:

The banquet dedicated to the end of the competitions with the winners awarding ceremony will take place on **June 2**, provisionally at 17:00. The site of the banquet and the ticket price will be additionally announced.

This provision represents the official challenge to the competitions.