

## SWIMMING

### EVENTS

50-yard Backstroke  
100-yard Backstroke  
200-yard Backstroke  
50-yard Breaststroke  
100-yard Breaststroke  
200-yard Breaststroke  
50-yard Butterfly  
100-yard Butterfly  
50-yard Freestyle  
100-yard Freestyle  
200-yard Freestyle  
500-yard Freestyle  
100-yard Individual Medley  
200-yard Individual Medley  
400-yard Individual Medley

### FLORIDA SENIOR STATE GAMES

Top 5 in each age group qualify for the Florida Senior State Games.

### ENTRY REGULATIONS

1. Swimmers may enter a maximum of six individual events.
2. Swimmers must provide their own suits, caps, goggles, towels, etc. All swim suites must conform to USMS Swimming Rule 102, 12-Swimwear for Pool Competition.

### FORMAT

1. All swimming events will be timed finals.
2. Warm-up time will be available.
3. Events will be competed in a 50 meter indoor pool set for short course.

### SPORT RULES

1. This meet will be conducted in accordance with United States Masters Swimming (USMS) rules, except as modified herein. For a copy of these rules, please visit or contact: **U.S. Masters Swimming, Inc.**

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The major points of the rules include:

- a. Starts: The forward start may be taken from the starting blocks, the pool deck or a push from the wall. The Backstroke start is taken from the wall. A false start will result in disqualification.
- b. Turns: The Breaststroke and Butterfly turns must be done with both hands touching the wall simultaneously. The Backstroke and Freestyle events require some part of the body to touch the wall.
- c. Backstroke: There are no rules pertaining to arm or leg movements. The swimmer is allowed to turn over on his/her stomach during the turn prior to touching the wall.
- d. Breaststroke: Appropriate stroke is required. After the start and after each turn, at any time prior to the first breast stroke kick, a single butterfly (dolphin) kick is permitted, following which, all movements of the legs shall be simultaneous and in the same horizontal plane without alternating movement.

- e. Butterfly: The appropriate stroke is required. The breaststroke or whip kick may be used exclusively or interchangeably with the dolphin kick while doing the butterfly stroke at any time during the race.
  - f. Freestyle: Swimmers must touch the wall at each turn and at the finish. Any stroke may be used and swimmers may switch strokes whenever they wish, except that in an individual medley event, freestyle means any stroke other than butterfly, breaststroke or backstroke.
  - g. Medley: The order of strokes in the Individual Medley is Butterfly, Backstroke, Breaststroke and Freestyle. Rules for the individual strokes govern strokes and turns.
  - h. General: Any swimmer who uses improper methods in order to obtain an advantage over his/her competition will be disqualified from that event.
2. All swim suites must conform to USMS Swimming Rule 102, 12-Swimwear for Pool Competition.

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