



MEET SUMMONS

2008 RBC Bahamas National Swimming Championships (LCM)

It is our great pleasure to inform you that FINA has approved the **2008 RBC Bahamas National Swimming Championships** an Olympic Qualifying Meet.

The Bahamas Swimming Federation (BSF) hereby invites all member clubs and unattached registered swimmers to participate in the 37th RBC Bahamas National Swimming Championships (LCM).

1. DATES AND VENUE

Dates: June 26th to June 29th 2008

Venue: Betty Kelly Kenning National Swim Complex, Sports Centre Drive, Queen Elizabeth Sports Centre, Oakes Field, Nassau.

The pool will be open 90 minutes before the commencement of competition each session.

2. POOL SPECIFICATIONS

10 Lane, 50 Metre, Competition Pool utilizing Electronic Timing Equipment by Colorado Timing Systems. 25 Metre Warm-Up/Warm-Down Pool available.

3. RULES OF COMPETITION

The competition will be governed by the National Championship Rules and other applicable Rules of the BSF and FINA. Any preliminary event with eight (8) or less entries shall automatically become a final to be swum in the afternoon/evening session.

4. AGE-GROUPS

Pursuant to NCR3.1, the recognized age-groups for Girls and Boys entered in the competition are:

- 8 and Under
- 9 - 10
- 11 - 12
- 13 - 14
- 15 and Over

Competitors shall swim only in their respective age groups. Their competitive age group shall be determined by their respective ages as of midnight on **31st December** of the preceding year.

5. CLUB ELIGIBILITY

All member clubs and participating swimmers must be in good financial standing with the BSF and registered for 2008 prior to the published Registration Deadline.

6. EVENT ELIGIBILITY

Individual Events:

All entry times shall have been achieved in a sanctioned meet within a year since the last National Championships, and can include times achieved in the previous National Championships, regardless of the one year period.

The qualifying period is Nationals 2007 (May 10, 2007) to June 7, 2008. Times achieved outside of this period are ineligible. Meet entry times will be verified by the BSF and any swimmer with an ineligible time will not be entered in the events designated.

Proof of entry times shall be submitted to the BSF along with the entry where the entry times are achieved in a sanctioned swim meet outside of The Bahamas.

There is no limit on individual events; however, only the ten (10) best times will be counted for calculation of Age group Awards. All points will be counted for team points.

Any BSF registered coach who signs a National Championships Meet Entry Form or submits entries electronically thereby certifies (i) that all entry times stated therein are correct and true; and, (ii) that all competitors named therein are eligible to participate in a National Championship. The coach assumes responsibility for all false or incorrect times and all competitors entered by her/him, and may be subject to a fine.

International Swimmers (Non BSF Registered) are allowed to compete in this FINA Qualifying meet on the understanding that they are seeded in the Heats and if they advance to the Finals, will swim in the outer lanes. Their Finals swims will not score points nor be awarded medals or ribbons.

Relay Events:

A competitor who has not qualified for any individual events may represent his club or team in relay events for his or her age group provided that competitor is registered for 2008 with the BSF.

7. MEET FEES AND SURCHARGES

Meet fees and National Team Surcharges for the Championships are:

\$6.00 per swimmer per individual event

\$25.00 per club team per relay event

\$2.00 per swimmer for BSF Surcharges

All meet fees and surcharges must be submitted with the Meet Entry Forms. Entry forms will not be processed and will be deemed to have not been received if the meet fees are not included.

8. TECHNICAL MEETING

The Meet Director or his delegate will hold a Technical Meeting with all Head Coaches at **7.00 PM** on Wednesday **June 25th, 2008** at the Pool for the purpose of receiving scratches and reviewing entries.

9. ENTRIES LIMITATIONS

Individual Events: There is no limit on individual events; however, only the ten (10) best times will be counted for calculation of Age group Awards. All points will be counted for team points.

Deck Entries will not be accepted.

Relay Events: One (1) team per club per relay event. No Mixed Relays will be allowed.

10. MEET ENTRY FORMS

All entries are to be submitted electronically using HY-TEK software. Any entries received in any other format will be subject to a \$50 surcharge fee. Entries must include the swimmer's BSF Registration number, assigned by the BSF.

A print-out of the HY-TEK files, signed by the Head Coach, should also be provided to the BSF prior to the entry deadline.

Manual entries can be accepted, using the attached meet entry grid, but will only be accepted subject to a \$50 surcharge fee included with the entries.

No late entries will be accepted after the entry deadline, except authorized by the BSF Executive Council and will be subject to a penalty of not less than 100% of the normal meet fees. Any changes made to entries prior to publication of the Psych Sheets will result in a \$50 penalty per change. In any event, all Changes must be authorized by the BSF.

Any Club/Swimmer that does not pay the late entry fee will not be allowed to participate in the Championships and should it be discovered that the appropriate fees have not been paid at the time of the Championships, results, including times, will be scratched.

11. SCORING

Scoring for the National Championships shall be in accordance with NCR13 of the National Championship Rules.

Determination of the Individual Best Swim Award(s) is based on the points table listed in the annual "Swim Stats" publication issued by FINA.

12. AWARDS

Awards will be issued in accordance with NCR14 of the National Championship Rules. Specifically, High Point and Runner Up Trophies in each Age Group/By Sex as well as Trophies to the Best Swims calculated using the FINA Points Scoring System.

13. JURY OF APPEAL

When returning their Meet Entry Forms, clubs should also submit the name of their representative on the Jury of Appeal as required by NCR 11.2.3 of the National Championship Rules.

14. OPENING CEREMONIES

There will be a brief Opening Ceremony at **6.00 PM on Friday, June 27th 2008**, before the start of Session 1. Teams will assemble at **5:45 PM** for the March-In of Swimmers and the playing of the National Anthem.

15. CLOSING CEREMONIES AND PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

The Closing Ceremony will be held on **Sunday, June 29th 2008**, immediately following the competition when High Point Trophies, Best Swim Awards and the National Championship Trophy will be presented.

16. ENTRY DEADLINE

All Meet Entry Forms (together with all meet fees, surcharges and Jury of Appeal Nominations) should be delivered to The BSF Public Relations Director, Kathy Dillette, at St. Andrews School or emailed to her at bsf_news@yahoo.com no later than **5:00pm on June 15th, 2008**.

17. ACCEPTABLE ENTRY FORMATS

Entries will only be accepted as follows:

- (1) Hy-tek Electronic Files only should be forwarded to John Bradley at jbradley@bs.ibm.com. Confirmation emails will be sent on receipt of all entries.**
- (2) On diskette with a hardcopy printout signed by coach and submitted before the deadline. A penalty of **\$50** will apply to all late entries
- (3) On official Nationals entry form signed by coach and submitted before the deadline. Manual/Paper Entries are subject to a **\$50** surcharge fee

18. CONTACT PERSONS

Any questions or information concerning the 2008 National Championships should be directed to:

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19. LANE ASSIGNMENTS FOR WARM-UPS (ALL SESSIONS)

Lane Assignments will be advised after the entries have been received and processed.

20. MEET OFFICIALS

Member clubs are responsible for providing all **Timers, Chief Timers, Marshalls, and (Lap Counters** session 1 only) as follows:

Session 1 (Thursday evening) - *Sea Bees*, YMCA, Freeport Aquatics, *Dolphins* and *Flamingos*
Session 2 (Friday Morning) - All Clubs
Session 3 (Friday Evening) - *Sea Bees*, YMCA, Freeport Aquatics, *Dolphins* and *Flamingos*
Session 4 (Saturday Morning) - *SWIFT*
Session 5 (Saturday Evening) – *Barracudas*, Swat
Session 6 (Sunday Morning) - *Barracudas*, Swat
Session 7 (Sunday Afternoon) - All Clubs

The clubs italicized are required to take the lead in organizing the officials and ensure that there is coverage as required for all positions.

Enclosed is a List of Meet Officials Form to be completed by each club and returned to the Meet Director with the Meet Entries Form. The BSF is responsible for assigning Referees, Starters and Stroke/Turn Judges for each session.

21. ORDER OF EVENTS

Pursuant to NCR5.2, the programme of events for the National Championships in a 50 metre pool shall be as follows:-

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

There will be no delay of races to allow swimmers who have entered successive and/or multiple events rest time. All Heats and Finals will be over the top starts.

All odd numbered events shall be for girls only and all even numbered events shall be for boys only.

**Day 1 Thursday, June 26th, 2008 Session 1 Start Time: 6:00pm
Warm Up : 4.30pm**

Type	Event
Timed Final	1 Girls 8 & Under 200 IM
Timed Final	2 Boys 8 & Under 200 IM
Timed Final	3 Girls 9-10 200 IM
Timed Final	4 Boys 9-10 200 IM
Timed Final	5 Girls 11-12 200 IM
Timed Final	6 Boys 11-12 200 IM
Timed Final	7 Girls 13-14 200 IM
Timed Final	8 Boys 13-14 200 IM
Timed Final	9 Girls 15 & Over 200 IM
Timed Final	10 Boys 15 & Over 200 IM
Timed Final	11 Girls 9-10 400 Freestyle
Timed Final	12 Boys 9-10 400 Freestyle
Timed Final*	13 Girls 11 & Over 800 Freestyle
Timed Final*	14 Boys 11-& Over 800 Freestyle
Timed Final*	15 Boys 13 & Over 1500 Freestyle
Timed Final	16 Girls 8 & Under 200 Freestyle Relay
Timed Final	17 Boys 8 & Under 200 Freestyle Relay
Timed Final	18 Girls 9-10 200 Freestyle Relay
Timed Final	19 Boys 9-10 200 Freestyle Relay
Timed Final	20 Girls 11-12 200 Freestyle Relay
Timed Final	21 Boys 11-12 200 Freestyle Relay
Timed Final	22 Girls 13-14 200 Freestyle Relay
Timed Final	23 Boys 13-14 200 Freestyle Relay
Timed Final	24 Girls 15 & Over 200 Freestyle Relay
Timed Final	25 Boys 15 & Over 200 Freestyle Relay

**These events will be seeded events and will be swum as mixed aged groups but scored within the correct age group.*

**Day 2 AM Friday, June 27th, 2008 Session 2 Start Time: 9:00am
Warm Up : 7:30am**

Type	Event
Timed Final	26 Girls 8 & Under 200 Freestyle
Timed Final	27 Boys 8 & Under 200 Freestyle
Timed Final	28 Girls 9-10 200 Freestyle
Timed Final	29 Boys 9-10 200 Freestyle
Timed Final	30 Girls 11-12 200 Freestyle
Timed Final	31 Boys 11-12 200 Freestyle
Timed Final	32 Girls 13-14 200 Freestyle
Timed Final	33 Boys 13-14 200 Freestyle
Timed Final	34 Girls 15 & Over 200 Freestyle
Timed Final	35 Boys 15 & Over 200 Freestyle
Timed Final	36 Girls 8 & Under 50 Breaststroke
Timed Final	37 Boys 8 & Under 50 Breaststroke
Prelims	38 Girls 9-10 50 Breaststroke
Prelims	39 Boys 9-10 50 Breaststroke
Prelims	40 Girls 11-12 50 Breaststroke
Prelims	41 Boys 11-12 50 Breaststroke
Prelims	42 Girls 13-14 50 Breaststroke
Prelims	43 Boys 13-14 50 Breaststroke
Prelims	44 Girls 15 & Over 50 Breaststroke
Prelims	45 Boys 15 & Over 50 Breaststroke
Prelims	46 Girls 9-10 100 Backstroke
Prelims	47 Boys 9-10 100 Backstroke
Prelims	48 Girls 11-12 100 Backstroke
Prelims	49 Boys 11-12 100 Backstroke
Prelims	50 Girls 13-14 100 Backstroke
Prelims	51 Boys 13-14 100 Backstroke
Prelims	52 Girls 15 & Over 100 Backstroke
Prelims	53 Boys 15 & Over 100 Backstroke
Prelims	54 Girls 9-10 100 Butterfly
Prelims	55 Boys 9-10 100 Butterfly
Prelims	56 Girls 11-12 100 Butterfly
Prelims	57 Boys 11-12 100 Butterfly
Prelims	58 Girls 13-14 100 Butterfly
Prelims	59 Boys 13-14 100 Butterfly
Prelims	60 Girls 15 & Over 100 Butterfly
Prelims	61 Boys 15 & Over 100 Butterfly

Type	Event
Finals	38 Girls 9-10 50 Breaststroke
Finals	39 Boys 9-10 50 Breaststroke
Finals	40 Girls 11-12 50 Breaststroke
Finals	41 Boys 11-12 50 Breaststroke
Finals	42 Girls 13-14 50 Breaststroke
Finals	43 Boys 13-14 50 Breaststroke
Finals	44 Girls 15 & Over 50 Breaststroke
Finals	45 Boys 15 & Over 50 Breaststroke
Finals	46 Girls 9-10 100 Backstroke
Finals	47 Boys 9-10 100 Backstroke
Finals	48 Girls 11-12 100 Backstroke
Finals	49 Boys 11-12 100 Backstroke
Finals	50 Girls 13-14 100 Backstroke
Finals	51 Boys 13-14 100 Backstroke
Finals	52 Girls 15 & Over 100 Backstroke
Finals	53 Boys 15 & Over 100 Backstroke
Finals	54 Girls 9-10 100 Butterfly
Finals	55 Boys 9-10 100 Butterfly
Finals	56 Girls 11-12 100 Butterfly
Finals	57 Boys 11-12 100 Butterfly
Finals	58 Girls 13-14 100 Butterfly
Finals	59 Boys 13-14 100 Butterfly
Finals	60 Girls 15 & Over 100 Butterfly
Finals	61 Boys 15 & Over 100 Butterfly
Timed Final	62 Girls 11-12 400 Medley Relay
Timed Final	63 Boys 11-12 400 Medley Relay
Timed Final	64 Girls 13-14 400 Medley Relay
Timed Final	65 Boys 13-14 400 Medley Relay
Timed Final	66 Girls 15 & Over 400 Medley Relay
Timed Final	67 Boys 15 & Over 400 Medley Relay

**Day 3 AM Saturday, June 28th, 2008 Session 4 Start Time: 9:00am
Warm Up : 7:30am**

Type	Event
Timed Final	68 Girls 11-12 400 IM
Timed Final	69 Boys 11-12 400 IM
Timed Final	70 Girls 13-14 400 IM
Timed Final	71 Boys 13-14 400 IM
Timed Final	72 Girls 15 & Over 400 IM
Timed Final	73 Boys 15 & Over 400 IM
Timed Final	74 Girls 8 & Under 100 Freestyle
Timed Final	75 Boys 8 & Under 100 Freestyle
Prelims	76 Girls 9-10 100 Freestyle
Prelims	77 Boys 9-10 100 Freestyle
Prelims	78 Girls 11-12 100 Freestyle
Prelims	79 Boys 11-12 100 Freestyle
Prelims	80 Girls 13-14 100 Freestyle
Prelims	81 Boys 13-14 100 Freestyle
Prelims	82 Girls 15 & Over 100 Freestyle
Prelims	83 Boys 15 & Over 100 Freestyle
Timed Final	84 Girls 8 & Under 50 Butterfly
Final	85 Boys 8 & Under 50 Butterfly
Prelims	86 Girls 9-10 50 Butterfly
Prelims	87 Boys 9-10 50 Butterfly
Prelims	88 Girls 11-12 50 Butterfly
Prelims	89 Boys 11-12 50 Butterfly
Prelims	90 Girls 13-14 50 Butterfly
Prelims	91 Boys 13-14 50 Butterfly
Prelims	92 Girls 15 & Over 50 Butterfly
Prelims	93 Boys 15 & Over 50 Butterfly
Prelims	94 Girls 9-10 100 Breaststroke
Prelims	95 Boys 9-10 100 Breaststroke
Prelims	96 Girls 11-12 100 Breaststroke
Prelims	97 Boys 11-12 100 Breaststroke
Prelims	98 Girls 13-14 100 Breaststroke
Prelims	99 Boys 13-14 100 Breaststroke
Prelims	100 Girls 15 & Over 100 Breaststroke
Prelims	101 Boys 15 & Over 100 Breaststroke

**Day 3 PM Saturday, June 28th, 2008 Session 5 Start Time: 6:00pm
Warm Up : 4:30pm**

Type	Event
Finals	76 Girls 9-10 100 Freestyle
Finals	77 Boys 9-10 100 Freestyle
Finals	78 Girls 11-12 100 Freestyle
Finals	79 Boys 11-12 100 Freestyle
Finals	80 Girls 13-14 100 Freestyle
Finals	81 Boys 13-14 100 Freestyle
Finals	82 Girls 15 & Over 100 Freestyle
Finals	83 Boys 15 & Over 100 Freestyle
Timed Final	102 Girls 11-12 200 Backstroke
Timed Final	103 Boys 11-12 200 Backstroke
Timed Final	104 Girls 13-14 200 Backstroke
Timed Final	105 Boys 13-14 200 Backstroke
Timed Final	106 Girls 15 & Over 200 Backstroke
Timed Final	107 Boys 15 & Over 200 Backstroke
Finals	86 Girls 9-10 50 Butterfly
Finals	87 Boys 9-10 50 Butterfly
Finals	88 Girls 11-12 50 Butterfly
Finals	89 Boys 11-12 50 Butterfly
Finals	90 Girls 13-14 50 Butterfly
Finals	91 Boys 13-14 50 Butterfly
Finals	92 Girls 15 & Over 50 Butterfly
Finals	93 Boys 15 & Over 50 Butterfly
Finals	94 Girls 9-10 100 Breaststroke
Finals	95 Boys 9-10 100 Breaststroke
Finals	96 Girls 11-12 100 Breaststroke
Finals	97 Boys 11-12 100 Breaststroke
Finals	98 Girls 13-14 100 Breaststroke
Finals	99 Boys 13-14 100 Breaststroke
Finals	100 Girls 15 & Over 100 Breaststroke
Finals	101 Boys 15 & Over 100 Breaststroke
Timed Final	108 Girls 9-10 400 Freestyle Relay
Timed Final	109 Boys 9-10 400 Freestyle Relay
Timed Final	110 Girls 11-12 400 Freestyle Relay
Timed Final	111 Boys 11-12 400 Freestyle Relay
Timed Final	112 Girls 13-14 400 Freestyle Relay
Timed Final	113 Boys 13-14 400 Freestyle Relay
Timed Final	114 Girls 15 & Over 400 Freestyle Relay
Timed Final	115 Boys 15 & Over 400 Freestyle Relay

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**Day 4 AM Sunday, June 29th, 2008 Session 6 Start Time: 9:00am
Warm Up : 7:30am**

Type		Event
Timed Final	116	Girls 11-12 400 Freestyle
Timed Final	117	Boys 11-12 400 Freestyle
Timed Final	118	Girls 13-14 400 Freestyle
Timed Final	119	Boys 13-14 400 Freestyle
Timed Final	120	Girls 15 & Over 400 Freestyle
Timed Final	121	Boys 15 & Over 400 Freestyle
Timed Final	122	Girls 8 & Under 50 Backstroke
Timed Final	123	Boys 8 & Under 50 Backstroke
Prelims	124	Girls 9-10 50 Backstroke
Prelims	125	Boys 9-10 50 Backstroke
Prelims	126	Girls 11-12 50 Backstroke
Prelims	128	Girls 13-14 50 Backstroke
Prelims	129	Boys 13-14 50 Backstroke
Prelims	130	Girls 15 & Over 50 Backstroke
Prelims	131	Boys 15 & Over 50 Backstroke
Timed Final	132	Girls 11-12 200 Breaststroke
Timed Final	133	Boys 11-12 200 Breaststroke
Timed Final	134	Girls 13-14 200 Breaststroke
Timed Final	135	Boys 13-14 200 Breaststroke
Timed Final	136	Girls 15 & Over 200 Breaststroke
Timed Final	137	Boys 15 & Over 200 Breaststroke
Timed Final	138	Girls 8 & Under 50 Freestyle
Timed Final	139	Boys 8 & Under 50 Freestyle
Prelims	140	Girls 9-10 50 Freestyle
Prelims	141	Boys 9-10 50 Freestyle
Prelims	142	Girls 11-12 50 Freestyle
Prelims	143	Boys 11-12 50 Freestyle
Prelims	144	Girls 13-14 50 Freestyle
Prelims	145	Boys 13-14 50 Freestyle
Prelims	146	Girls 15 & Over 50 Freestyle
Prelims	147	Boys 15 & Over 50 Freestyle

Type		Event
Timed Final	148	Girls 11-12 200 Butterfly
Timed Final	149	Boys 11-12 200 Butterfly
Timed Final	150	Girls 13-14 200 Butterfly
Timed Final	151	Boys 13-14 200 Butterfly
Timed Final	152	Girls 15 & Over 200 Butterfly
Timed Final	153	Boys 15 & Over 200 Butterfly
Finals	124	Girls 9-10 50 Backstroke
Finals	125	Boys 9-10 50 Backstroke
Finals	126	Girls 11-12 50 Backstroke
Finals	127	Boys 11-12 50 Backstroke
Finals	128	Girls 13-14 50 Backstroke
Finals	129	Boys 13-14 50 Backstroke
Finals	130	Girls 15 & Over 50 Backstroke
Finals	131	Boys 15 & Over 50 Backstroke
Finals	140	Girls 9-10 50 Freestyle
Finals	141	Boys 9-10 50 Freestyle
Finals	142	Girls 11-12 50 Freestyle
Finals	143	Boys 11-12 50 Freestyle
Finals	144	Girls 13-14 50 Freestyle
Finals	145	Boys 13-14 50 Freestyle
Finals	146	Girls 15 & Over 50 Freestyle
Finals	147	Boys 15 & Over 50 Freestyle
Timed Final	154	Girls 8 & Under 200 Medley Relay
Timed Final	155	Boys 8 & Under 200 Medley Relay
Timed Final	156	Girls 9-10 200 Medley Relay
Timed Final	157	Boys 9-10 200 Medley Relay
Timed Final	158	Girls 11-12 200 Medley Relay
Timed Final	159	Boys 11-12 200 Medley Relay
Timed Final	160	Girls 13-14 200 Medley Relay
Timed Final	161	Boys 13-14 200 Medley Relay
Timed Final	162	Girls 15 & Over 200 Medley Relay
Timed Final	163	Boys 15 & Over 200 Medley Relay

22. Special Considerations

1. All Swimmers participating in the 37th Nationals Championships must show their ID badge to enter the BKKAC, without an ID they will be charged the entry fee.
2. Swimmers receiving medals must be properly attired in Team Uniforms. Medals will not be awarded to swimmers in swim wear.