

EVENT DETAILS AND ENTRY PROCEDURE

2018 MCDONALD'S QUEENSLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

15-21 DECEMBER 2018

Brisbane Aquatic Centre (Cnr Old Cleveland Rd & Tilley Rd, Chandler)

Eligibility

The Meet is open to SQ registered swimmers, members of Clubs affiliated with other State Associations and international swimmers who meet clearance criteria.

Clearances – International Competitors

Clearances must be submitted to entries.qld@swimming.org.au **before** the nominations closing date.

Clearances for Visiting Swimmers

International swimmers/teams must supply a letter of clearance from their National Swimming Federation. International swimmers, training with, or members of clubs in Australia will be nominated under their country name **not** the Australian club name. Interstate swimmers are not required to submit a clearance when entering using OME. Clearances must be submitted to entries.qld@swimming.org.au **before** the nominations closing date.

Age

The age group of competitors for this meet is the age as at the first day of the Championships (15th December 2018). The minimum age for these championships is 12 years for individual events and 9 years for relay events.

Entry Information

Entries for these Championships are available via Online Meet Entries and Manual Entry Forms (International swimmers/teams only). To enter using Online Meet Entries click [here](#). For help entering via OME click [here](#). International swimmers/teams who do not have access to OME may request a Manual Entry Form by emailing entries.qld@swimming.org.au.

Entry Fee - Online Meet Entries: \$17.00*

Entry Fee - Manual Entries (International Swimmers/Teams only): \$19.00

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

Entries closes **Midnight, Tuesday 27 November 2018**.

Late Entries

All entries submitted after this time will incur a late nomination fee of \$50.00 per event. Late entries will be accepted in the timing room up until one hour before the commencement of the first day of competition. Late entries are subject to lane availability in the event, and may result in swimmers being entered in the slowest heat.

Rules

All Swimming Queensland General Rules, Championship By-Laws, SAL & FINA Swim Rules apply.

Warm-up Start Time

Heats 7:00 a.m.

Finals 4:30 p.m.

Photos

In nominating for this Championships, swimmers agree that they may be photographed by Swimming Queensland approved photographers, that the images may be displayed for viewing and purchasing on site during the Championships and on the photographer's secure website after the Meet, and that they may also be used by Swimming Queensland at its discretion.

Coaches / Support Staff / Team Managers / Pool Deck Access

- Accredited coaches must present their current ascta membership card to gain free entry to the meet and to access pool deck.
- Coaches who do not hold a current ascta membership card, International Team Support, Multi Class Swimmer Support and Sports Science Support MUST apply for an Event Pass by completing the [online form](#) no later than **5pm Thursday 13 December 2018**. The Event Pass will be available for collection at the front ticketing desk during the meet and will provide the named holder with free entry and access to pool deck as required.
- Relays Day Club Team Managers MUST apply for a Team Manager wristband by completing the [online form](#) no later than **5pm Thursday 13 December 2018**. The Team Manager wristband will be available for collection at the front ticketing desk on Relays Day only and will provide the holder with free entry and access to pool deck as required. Team Manager wristbands are provided for Relays Day only. Event entry will apply for all other sessions and access to pool deck is restricted to Event Pass holders only.

Stadiums Queensland Ruling

Please note that Stadiums Queensland rules state that bags/eskies permissible in the venue must meet the following conditions:

- ✓ Maximum bag/esky height 40cm
- ✓ Max bag/esky width 40cm
- ✓ Max bag/esky depth 40cm
- ✓ Pliable nature (soft to touch)
- ✓ All bags/eskies must be kept stowed under grandstand seats

All other bags/eskies will be refused admission.

Merchandise

Make sure you visit the Swimming Queensland Merchandise Stand at the front gate and the Swimming Queensland Speedo Shop in the foyer of the centre. Both shops offer a great range of quality Speedo and Swimming Queensland products.

Tickets

Reap the benefits of an express entry and save yourself time and money by purchasing your entry tickets and programs online. Online ticket holders do not need to queue in line at the gate, they simply go straight to the counter to scan their ticket and receive their wristband. *Simply click on the "Online Tickets" button under the event on our website to purchase your tickets.* Tickets and programs can also be purchased at the gate for this event.

Qualifying Times

Qualifying times must have been achieved at an approved qualifying meet (either short course or long course) on or after 1 January 2017. Converted short course qualifying times will only be used where an existing long course qualifying time has **not** been achieved.

Any nomination submitted with a time slower than the relevant qualifying time will not be accepted and the nomination fee will be forfeited. Club night times, club championships times, no times or NT are NOT ACCEPTABLE. (Please refer to the Swimming Queensland Approved Meet Calendar for approved meets).

Penalties

Any nomination submitted with a time slower than the relevant qualifying time will NOT be accepted and the nomination fee will be forfeited.

Special Notes

The Referee and Technical Manager have authority to control heats at their discretion and may combine heats to be swum as a straight final.

Finals may not necessarily follow heat order. This may change at the discretion of the Technical Manager.

In age group finals, **eight (8) lanes** will be reserved for Queensland competitors. **Six (6) lanes** will be reserved for Queensland competitors in open A finals, with no restriction on B finals.

All open events, except for the Men's 800m Freestyle and Women's 1500m Freestyle, will have B Finals, provided that in each instance at least 25 swimmers compete in the associated heats. B finals will be swum immediately prior to the respective A final.

The 13-14 Years boys' 1500m Freestyle, 15-16 Years boys' 1500m Freestyle, 12 Years boys' 800m Freestyle, 12 Years girls' 800m Freestyle, 13-14 Years girls' 800m Freestyle, 15-16 Years girls' 800m Freestyle will be swum as timed finals in the heat session.

The Men's 17 Years & Over 1500m Freestyle, Women's Open 1500m Freestyle, Men's Open 800m Freestyle, and Women's 17 Years and Over 800m Freestyle will be swum as timed finals. The fastest 10 qualifiers for those events will swim in the evening sessions, with placings to be based on the fastest times in the heats and finals sessions.

The 16 Years & Over 400m Individual Medley will be run as combined ages for the heats. The finals will be run as two separated events: a 16 Years final and a 17 Years & Over final. Medals will be awarded in the following age groups: 16 Years, 17/18 Years, and Open.

Multi Class Events

All Multi Class heats will be conducted as Open events. Age group placings will be determined from the heats. Open finals will be conducted in the evening session for each event, except the 400m Freestyle which will also be conducted as a timed final for Open competitors in the heats session.

Swimmers amassing the highest points (using the Multi Class Points Score) across all age groups will qualify for the finals.

Swimmers with an SM3 or SM4 classification may contest the 200m Individual Medley as a 150m Individual Medley.

Multi Class swimmers who are swimming in events that are not designated as Multi Class must produce their exemption cards to the session Referees.

Events & Medals

All able-bodied events will be conducted as heats & finals, except where designated by an asterix (*). Medals will not be awarded if qualifying standards have not been met.

Medals will be awarded in able-bodied events as follows:

- 50m Freestyle
 - Open only
- 100m Events and 200m Ind. Medley Events
 - 12yrs, 13yrs, 14yrs, 15yrs, 16yrs, 17/18yrs, and Open
- Other 200m Events
 - 12yrs, 13yrs, 14yrs, 15yrs, 16yrs, 17/18yrs, and Open
- 400m Freestyle
 - 12yrs, 13yrs, 14yrs, 15yrs, 16yrs, 17/18yrs, and Open
- 400m Individual Medley
 - 12yrs, 13yrs, 14yrs, 15yrs, 16yrs, 17/18yrs, and Open
- 800m Freestyle
 - 12yrs, 13yrs, 14yrs, 15yrs, 16yrs, 17/18yrs and Open
- 1500m Freestyle
 - 13yrs, 14yrs, 15yrs, 16yrs, 17/18yrs and Open

Multi Class Medals

Medals will be awarded to competitors in Multi Class Events as follows:

- 50m Freestyle
 - 12yrs, 13/14yrs, 15/16yrs, 17/18yrs and Open
- 100m Events
 - 12yrs, 13/14yrs, 15/16yrs, 17/18yrs and Open
- 200m Freestyle
 - 12yrs, 13/14yrs, 15/16yrs, 17/18yrs and Open
- 400m Freestyle
 - 13/14yrs, 15/16yrs, 17/18yrs and Open
- 200m/150m Individual Medley
 - 12yrs, 13/14yrs, 15/16yrs, 17/18yrs and Open