



Meet Package

Indianapolis 2018 World Para Swimming World Series

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1. WELCOME

U.S. Paralympics Swimming would like to invite all federations and clubs to participate in the Indianapolis 2018 World Para Swimming World Series April 19 – 21, 2018. Please feel free to reach out to Jamie Martin or Queenie Nichols so we can make this a successful event for you and your swimmers.

2. GENERAL INFORMATION

2.1. Dates & General Information

- Entry Deadline: February 22, 2018
- Training Dates/Times: April 16 – April 18, 2018
- Classification Dates: April 16 – April 18, 2018
- Meet Registration Dates/Times:
 - Tuesday, April 17 9:00am – 11:00am
2:00pm – 4:00pm
 - Wednesday, April 18 9:00am – 11:00am
2:00pm – 4:00pm
- Competition Dates: Thursday, April 19 – Saturday, April 21, 2018
- Meet Management: Jamie Martin – Jamie.Martin@usoc.org
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2.2. Venue Overview

- The IU Natatorium is a 220,000-square-foot facility with an eight-lane, 50-meter competition pool, a six-lane, 50-meter teaching and training pool and a world-class diving well.
- It's the largest, permanent swimming competition facility in the United States.
- For a virtual tour, see <https://www.iunat.iupui.edu/pages/tour.asp>.

2.3. Traveling to Indianapolis:

Indianapolis International Airport (IND): 18 miles from the IUPUI Campus
Chicago International Airport (ORD): 199 miles from the IUPUI Campus

2.4. Visas:



Should visas be required, please contact Jamie Martin (Jamie.Martin@usoc.org) or Queenie Nichols (Queenie.Nichols@usoc.org) with the Paralympic Division of the United States Olympic Committee (“USOC”) for a letter of support.

2.5. **Transport:**

All individuals and teams are responsible for their own transportation to and from the airport and in and around Indianapolis. Below are several companies that are available in Indianapolis but this not an exclusive list.

- Need-a-Lift <http://www.needaliftin.com/home/4585789306>
- Indianapolis Yellow Cab <http://ycindy.com/services.html#ada-wheelchair-accessible-taxi>
 - Available 24/7, Contact Jeffrey Weber at 317-487-7777 to schedule daily trips.

2.6. **Accommodation:**

All individuals and teams are responsible for their own accommodation. U.S. Paralympics Swimming will **not** be responsible for travel, meals, or housing arrangements for teams or individuals. There are many hotels and restaurants near the venue. Visit Indy (VisitIndy.com) has set up room blocks at a variety of hotels for the convenience of athletes and teams. Connect through the following link: <https://book.passkey.com/e/49568339> Visit Indy can also provide assistance on travel in and around Indianapolis.

2.7. **Competition Fee:**

- All swimmers will be charged a \$150 USD fee to enter the meet, regardless of the number of events they choose to enter.
- All team staff (i.e. coaches, medical staff, managers, etc.) will be charged a \$50 USD fee per credential.

3. **SPORT ENTRIES**

3.1. **Entries**

Online Entry System (for non-USA athletes/teams): www.paralympic.org/entries

Entry Open From: January 19, 2018

Entry Close: February 22, 2018

- Entries will only be accepted through the online entry system. For NPCs and other National Federations, please use the link above to complete your entries.
- Entries will be accepted by NPCs only.

U.S. Athletes

Athletes from the United States wishing to enter must contact Jamie Martin (Jamie.Martin@usoc.org) or Queenie Nichols (Queenie.Nichols@usoc.org) for information about entering the meet.



- Entry times must be submitted in the course swum (LCM, SCM, SCY) and will be converted by meet management for seeding purposes.
- For U.S. athletes, proof-of-time is required with entry submission. It is the responsibility of the club to prove any entry times if requested. Any club not able to prove an entry time when challenged will be fined \$100.00.

Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of U.S. Paralympics and World Para Swimming, but will be assessed a late fee of \$100 in addition to the entry fee. Athletes entered after the entry deadline will not receive a slot on the classification schedule.

3.2. Competition Format and Schedule:

- Finals will be seeded by sport class.
- A swimmer must be internationally classified to advance to finals.
 - Athletes with National team classification will only be allowed to swim in preliminary events and not finals.
- A swimmer must place in the top eight (8) in their sport class during preliminaries to advance to the final.
- Events that are not on the eligible event list for the Paralympic Games will be conducted during the preliminary sessions only. The eligible event list can be found in the World Para Swimming Rules and Regulations (WPS Rule 10.4).
- Only medical withdrawals will be accepted as per WPS Rule 6.3.4.

Day 1, Thursday, April 19, 2018

Preliminary Session Warm-up: 7:30am Start: 9:00am			Finals Session Warm-up: 3:30pm Start: 5:00pm		
<u>Women</u>		<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>		<u>Men</u>
1	200m Freestyle (S1-S5, S14)	2	1	200m Freestyle (S1-S5, S14)	2
3	400m Freestyle (S6--S14)	4	3	400m Freestyle (S6-S13)	4
5	50m Breaststroke (SB1-SB9, SB11-SB14)	6	5	50m Breaststroke (SB1-SB3)	6
7	100m Breaststroke (SB1-SB9, SB11-SB14)	8	7	100m Breaststroke (SB4-SB9, SB11-SB14)	8
			9	34pt 4x100m Medley Relay	10
			11	S14 4x100m Mixed Freestyle Relay	12

Day 2, Friday, April 20, 2018

Preliminary Session Warm-up: 7:30am Start: 9:00am			Finals Session Warm-up: 3:30pm Start: 5:00pm		
<u>Women</u>		<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>		<u>Men</u>
13	50m Backstroke (S1-S14)	14	13	50m Backstroke (S1-S5)	14
15	100m Backstroke (S1-S14)	16	15	100m Backstroke (S1-S2, S6-S14)	16
17	50m Freestyle (S1-S14)	18			
19	150m IM (SM1-SM4)	20	17	50m Freestyle (S1-S13)	18
21	200m IM (SM5-SM14)	22	19	150m IM (SM1-SM4)	20
			21	200m IM (SM5-SM14)	22
			23	49pt 4x100 Mixed Freestyle Relay	
			24	20pt 4x50 Mixed Freestyle Relay	

Day 3, Saturday, April 21, 2018

Preliminary Session Warm-up: 7:30am Start: 9:00am			Finals Session Warm-up: 3:30pm Start: 5:00pm		
<u>Women</u>		<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>		<u>Men</u>
25	100m Freestyle (S1-S14)	26	25	100m Freestyle (S1-S13)	26
27	50m Butterfly (S1-S14)	28	27	50m Butterfly (S2-S7)	28
29	100m Butterfly (S1-S14)	30	29	100m Butterfly (S8-S14)	30
			31	34pt 4x100m Freestyle Relay	32

3.3. Swimmers Eligibility

International Swimmers must:

- hold an active World Para Swimming license for the 2018 Season
- have an International Classification or or be scheduled for International Classification at this competition. Information can be found at <https://www.paralympic.org/swimming/classification>
- have achieved a Minimum Qualification Standard (MQS) at a World Para Swimming Recognised 50m Competition for an event on the programme between January 1, 2016 and

March 6, 2018 (times are only recognised if the athlete was already licensed at the time of the achievement or has a recognised split time World/Regional record in the same length & stroke, that is included in the rankings).

3.4. MQS

Swimmers must have at least two Minimum Qualifying Standard (MQS) in one of the standard World Para Swimming sport class events (50 Free [S1-S13]; 100 Free [S1-S13]; 200 Free [S1-5, S14]; 400 Free [S6-13]; 50 Backstroke [S1-S5]; 100 Backstroke [S1-S2, S6-S14]; 50 Breaststroke [SB1-SB3]; 100 Breaststroke [SB4-SB14]; 50 Butterfly [S1-S7]; 100 Butterfly [S8-S14]; 150 IM [SM1-SM4]; 200 IM [SM5-SM14]. These standards can be found at the end of this document.

- Once a swimmer has two or more MQS, a swimmer may swim any event on the event program that they have equaled or bettered the MQS in. If it is not one of the standard World Para Swimming sport class events, then there is not an MQS to meet.
- All times swum from January 1, 2016, through the published entry deadline will be eligible for entry.
- Swimmers may enter a maximum of seven (7) events for the competition.
- Swimmers who have met less than five (5) qualifying standards for the competition may enter bonus events as follows:
 - 2 Qualifying Times = 2 Bonus Events
 - 3 Qualifying Times = 2 Bonus Events
 - 4 or more Qualifying Times = 1 Bonus Event
- If an athlete is on the schedule for international classification at the competition and has two MQS, that athlete's Bonus Events will include those events required for classification.
- Relays will be swum at the end of finals as per the event schedule. NPCs, please make sure to submit through the entry system.
- No deck entries will be accepted.

3.5. Wild Card Entry

New athletes can enter without an MQS. The LOC/World Para Swimming can give Wild Cards for other athletes upon request. Contact World Para Swimming prior to February 22, 2018 for questions on Wild Cards.

3.6. Event Viability Criteria

All events will be considered viable. Medals will not be awarded if fewer than three athletes are entered in the event. (WPS Rule – 10.14.1)

- For relays, there must be four (4) teams entered in order to run the event.

3.7. Rules & Regulations

For all World Para Swimming World Series events, the current World Para Swimming Rules and Regulations apply. They can be found on the World Para Swimming website (see Swimming – Rules & Regulations – Rules).



The following amendments to the World Para Swimming Rules and Regulations will apply for this competition:

- U.S. Paralympics Swimming shall have jurisdiction over all matters not assigned by the rules to the referee, judges or other officials and shall have power to postpone events and give directions consistent with rules adopted for conducting any event (World Para Swimming Rule 1.1).
- Fines and Protests Fees will be accepted in U.S. Dollars. The fees are as follows:
 - Re-Entry back into the meet for a missed event will be \$50.00.
 - Protest of a Technical Disqualification during competition will be \$50.00
 - Appeal of a Protest Decision will be \$100.00.

4. COMPETITION INFORMATION

4.1. Competition Venue

The IU Natatorium is located on the campus of IUPUI in downtown Indianapolis at 901 West New York Street, Indianapolis, IN 46202, and was completed in 1982 at a cost of \$21.5 million. The IU Natatorium has three pools (competition pool, instructional pool, and diving well) which combined hold over 2.1 million gallons of water. The main competition pool has been proclaimed one of the fastest pools in the world, with 136 American and 18 World records having been broken here.

Athletes from around the world have competed at the IU Natatorium, which is also open daily for lap swimming, instructional programs, and camps. The diving well boasts eight diving boards and five platforms. The US Olympic Team Trials-Swimming were held here in 1984, 1992, 1996 and 2000. The names of all the team members who have qualified for an Olympic Team here are inscribed on the south wall of the Natatorium.

4.2. Training

All training will take place at the IU Natatorium.

- Monday, April 16 8:00am – 5:00pm
- Tuesday, April 17 8:00am – 5:00pm
- Wednesday, April 18 8:00am – 5:00pm

4.3. Technical Meeting

The technical meeting for all coaches/team managers will be held at 5:00pm on Wednesday, April 18 at the IU Natatorium. Information will be provided by email in advance of the meeting. Any questions will be answered during the meeting. Information from the meeting will be posted after the technical meeting on www.usparalympics.org/swimming

4.4. Warm-up & Swim-down

The diving well will be available for warm-up and swim-down during the competition.

4.5. Ice Baths, Massage Tables, Race analysis

- Ice baths will not be allowed. The IU Natatorium has a large cold tub as part of the facility that can be used by teams.
- Massage tables and massage services will not be provided. For those countries/teams bringing massage tables, please inform Jamie Martin or Queenie Nichols so spaces can be assigned. Countries wishing to do video-tapping must contact either Jamie Martin (Jamie.Martin@usoc.org) or Queenie Nichols (Queenie.Nichols@usoc.org).

4.6. Changing Rooms

Changing rooms for each gender are provided and are wheelchair assessable. There are several family changing rooms that are also available.

4.7. Call Rooms & Competition

There are two (2) call rooms:

- The 100m call room will be located at the timing side of the pool opposite the diving well
- The 50m and 150m call room will be located on the timing side of the pool near the training pool.

It is the responsibility of the athletes to report to the Call Room no later than 15 minutes prior to the scheduled start of their event.

Regulations outlined in the World Para Swimming Rules and Regulations concerning swimwear will apply; swimwear (caps, goggles and swimsuits) must be from the approved list, and might be checked in the call room.

Athletes will be escorted from the Call Room onto the pool deck.

4.8. Sport Information Desk (SID)

A Sport Information Desk will operate at the competition venue on the days of competition, as well as during any scheduled training sessions. During training, the SID will be located upstairs in the hallway by the large viewing area. During competition, the SID will be near the announcers stand. It is the primary and only point of distribution for all event related information including the following:

- Distribution of start lists for the NPCs;
- Official communication with teams;
- Official forms distribution (Relay Entry form, Protest form, Medical withdrawal form);
- Liaison between teams and World Para Swimming.

4.10. Athletes & Team Officials Seating

Team seating will be along the timing side of the pool and on the opposite side within the designated area. Signage will be posted.

4.11. Accreditation:

Accreditation Deadline: February 22, 2018

World Para Swimming Accreditation System: <https://db.ipc-services.org/accreditation>

Each country must register their athletes and staff through the World Para Swimming accreditation system. Each country will receive an invoice from U.S. Paralympics Swimming after all entries have been submitted and athlete and staff accreditations have been requested. If a visa is required, invoices must be paid before a visa letter is sent. If no visa is required, invoices must be paid before competition begins in order to swim. For those countries paying on arrival to Indianapolis, please let Jamie Martin (Jamie.Martin@usoc.org) know in advance.

- Support staff may include physiologists, chiropractors, doctors, massage therapists, bio mechanists, psychologists, physiotherapists, attendant care personnel or team managers/chaperones.
- Swimmers and support staff will be provided with an accreditation card for deck access.
- Accreditation must be displayed at all times. Access to the pool will be through the locker rooms and past the main security checkpoint.
- Lost accreditation will be replaced at a cost of \$50.00 per accreditation.

Note:

The Deck Accreditation Card remains the property of U.S. Paralympics Swimming and can be withdrawn, with immediate effect, at U.S. Paralympics Swimming’s sole discretion. Please be advised that deck accreditations should not be provided to children, youth or adults that are not participants in the competition, either as an athlete, coach, support staff or volunteer/official. Insurance and risk management do not extend to non-supervised minors or individuals that are age of majority that are not part of the competition either as a participant, coach, support staff or event volunteer/official.

4.12. Classification

This competition offers international classification for the following impairment types and be conducted at the IU Natatorium:

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| • Physical Impairment (PI): | Monday, April 16 | 9:00am – 5:00pm |
| | Tuesday, April 17 | 9:00am – 5:00pm |
| | Wednesday, April 18 | 9:00am – 5:00pm |
| • Intellectual Impairment (II): | Monday, April 16 | 9:00am – 5:00pm |
| | Tuesday, April 17 | 9:00am – 5:00pm |
| | Wednesday, April 18 | 9:00am – 5:00pm |

If an Athlete is required to attend Athlete Evaluation, Athletes must arrive at the competition prior to the start of the classification period. World Para Swimming will schedule athletes in accordance with the classification period and not arrival dates of athletes. World Para Swimming WILL NOT entertain any request to change any athlete’s classification times.



If an athlete fails to attend Classification at the scheduled time, the Athlete will not be permitted to compete at the relevant Competition.

If an athlete is classified Non-eligible it is at the discretion of the Technical Delegate if the athlete is allowed to swim for performance only.

For all further information about international classification please contact Jovana Zrnzevic at Jovana.Zrnzevic@WorldParaSwimming.org

For athletes from the United States who wish to be considered for a classification appointment, please contact Sherrice Fox at Sherrice.Fox@usoc.org and Jamie Martin at Jamie.Martin@usoc.org.

5. Victory Ceremonies

- Points will be awarded to each swimmer in the finals of each sport class event. Athletes will be ranked by points using the World Para Swimming Points system.
- The top three (3) swimmers in each event according to the World Para Swimming Points System (<https://www.paralympic.org/swimming/world-series-2018/rankings>) will be awarded medals.
- Ceremonies will be included in the timeline for finals.

6. MEDICAL & ANTI-DOPING INFORMATION

6.1. Anti-Doping

The Anti-Doping control / processes will be carried out in full accordance with the IPC Anti-Doping Code and the IPC Doping Control Agreement.

Drug Testing will be conducted by and will follow all U.S. Anti-Doping Agency (USADA) policies and procedures.

More information about banned substances and doping control can be found by visiting: www.usada.org. All athletes who compete in the Indianapolis 2018 World Para Swimming World Series are subject to drug testing. If athletes are notified for drug testing they must bring an ID with them and are allowed and strongly encouraged to have one representative to accompany them through the drug testing process.

<https://www.paralympic.org/swimming/rules-and-regulations/anti-doping>

6.2. Medical Services at the Venue

Lifeguards will be on duty at all times during warm-up and competition and are trained to handle water emergencies and first aid ASSISTANCE aid on the deck. Physician on-call services will be available.

6.3. Insurance

Each NPC must ensure that all members of their delegation are appropriately insured, including coverage for travel, liability, accidents and repatriation. All delegation members must have appropriate accident and health insurance accepted in order to compete. The LOC will provide only basic medical services in the venue.

No medical insurance will be provided to any of the participants. All participants are responsible for obtaining their own medical insurance (including Repatriation Coverage) and will be responsible for any medical expenses resulting from participation in the event.