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## Masters Games 2014 - Swimming Competition

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1. Purpose : To provide an opportunity to people aged 35 or above to participate in swimming competition and compete against people of similar age, so to enjoy the fun brought by sports and sustain their interest in sports activities.
2. Date & Time : 5 October 2014 (Sun)  
9:00 am – 3:00 pm
3. Venue : Sun Yat Sen Memorial Park Swimming Pool  
(Address: 16 Eastern Street North, Sai Ying Pun, Hong Kong)
4. Eligibility : People aged 35 or above are welcome to participate in the Games. Participant's age is calculated against the first day on which the event commences (i.e. those who were born on or before 5 October 1979 are eligible to participate in the competition).
5. Division:

Programme Number	Event	Division (Men's / Women's)						
		A (Age 60 or above)	B (Age 55-59)	C (Age 50-54)	D (Age 45-49)	E (Age 40-44)	F (Age 35-39)	
4035 9435	50m	Freestyle <sup>#</sup>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
		Breaststroke	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
		Backstroke	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
		Butterfly	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	100m	Freestyle <sup>#</sup>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
		Breaststroke	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
		Backstroke	✓ (Open)					
		Butterfly	✓ (Open)					
	200m	Freestyle <sup>#</sup>	✓ (Open)					
		Breaststroke	✓ (Open)					
		Backstroke	✓ (Open)					
		Butterfly	✓ (Open)					
		Individual Medley	✓ (Open)					

<sup>#</sup>In accordance with the swimming rules set by the Federation Internationale De Natation, freestyle means any style other than backstroke, breaststroke or butterfly.

6. Quota : 300 Persons
7. Notes to Applicants : (1) Participants should be aware of their health condition, and consider whether it is suitable for them to enrol in this Games. In case of doubt, please consult a doctor prior to the enrolment of activity.
- (2) Applicants should join the division according to their age. Each participant may participate in a **maximum of three events**, including the open events. Each applicant should submit only one enrolment form. In case of multiple submissions or has submitted an incomplete enrolment form, all enrolment forms submitted by the applicant will not be entertained.
- (3) If there are less than two participants in a particular division, the LCSD reserves the right to combine it with a division of younger age or cancel all events in that division.
8. Event Rundown : Applicants may enrol in the events with reference to the following tentative rundown.

Order of Event	Event	
1	200m	Individual Medley*
2	100m	Breaststroke
3		Backstroke*
4		Freestyle
5		Butterfly*
6		50m
7	Backstroke	
8	Freestyle	
9	Butterfly	
10	200m	Breaststroke*
11		Backstroke*
12		Freestyle*
13		Butterfly*

\*Open Events

9. Enrolment Fee : \$20 per person (those aged 60 or above, full-time students and persons with disabilities can enjoy a 50% off concessionary rate upon production of valid identity document(s) during payment). Each applicant should pay the fee according to his/her age on the first day (**5 October 2014**) of the competition.
10. Format : All events are final. Ranking is determined by the participant's record achieved.
11. Regulations : (1) The One-Start-Rule will be adopted in all events. Participants in breach of any regulations will be disqualified upon the completion of the competition. No appeal will be accepted.
- (2) If only one participant shows up on the competition day, the event will still be held and the participant will be given the respective award.
- (3) Unless otherwise specified in the prospectus, the competition will adopt the regulations approved by the Hong Kong Amateur Swimming Association.
12. Marshall : (1) Participants should pay attention to the announcements of the Organiser and report to the Organiser and take part in the competitions on time. Otherwise, they will be deemed to have forfeited the right to compete.

- (2) Participants shall produce their original identity documents used for enrolment (Hong Kong residents should produce their Hong Kong Identity Cards. Persons without Hong Kong Identity Cards should produce their valid travel documents such as Passports, Exit-Entry Permits for Travelling to and from Hong Kong and Macao) for verification of eligibility when they report to the LCSD staff and before the event commences. If the participants fails to produce the above identification document, the LCSD staff reserve the right to disqualify them from the competition.
- (3) Whenever summoned, participants should report to the marshal at once. The LCSD reserves the right to disqualify those who fail to turn up in response to the last summon.
13. Judges : Judges will be arranged by the LCSD. Judges will be served by qualified referees. All participants should abide by their decisions.
14. Appeal : No appeal will be accepted. The judges' decision on the competition results shall be final.
15. Points to Note : (1) Participants shall observe all the regulations prescribed by the Organiser and the swimming pool.
- (2) If a participant is suspected to have skin disease on the competition day and he/she cannot produce a medical certificate to prove that the disease is not a contagious one, the Organiser reserves the right to disqualify the participant.
- (3) For a participant who has already taken part in one of the events on the competition day, he/she is not entitled to the refund of his/her enrolment fee even if he/she cannot participate in the remaining competitions or the competition cannot be continued due to increment weather or any other reasons.
16. Awards : A medal will be awarded to the champion, first, second and third runners-up of each division.
17. Prospectuses & Enrolment Forms Available at/on : (1) District Leisure Services Offices (DLSOs) of the LCSD;
- (2) Any Recreation and Sports Venues with Leisure Link Services; or
- (3) 'Masters Games' website: [www.lcsd.gov.hk/me/mastersgames/en/prospectus.php](http://www.lcsd.gov.hk/me/mastersgames/en/prospectus.php)
18. Enrolment Period : **21 – 30 July 2014**
19. Enrolment Method : (1) Completed application forms should be submitted during the enrolment period (originals/copies of identification documents need not be attached or produced when the forms are submitted):
- a) In person to: DLSOs of the LCSD (during office hours) or any Recreation and Sports Venues with Leisure Link Services; or
- b) By post to: (the date of postage chop is regarded as receipt date)  
Major Events Section, LCSD  
2/F, Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters  
1-3 Pai Tau Street, Sha Tin, New Territories.  
"Masters Games 2014 –Swimming Competition" ; or
- c) Submission of enrolment forms via the Internet.
- (2) If the applications exceed the quota, applicants will be selected by ballot. The ballot will be held **at 10:00 am on 14 August 2014 (Thu)** at Room 201, 2/F, Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters, 1-3 Pai Tau Street, Sha Tin. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

- (3) The balloting result will be announced at the DLSOs, any Recreation and Sports Venues with Leisure Link Services and on the LCSD 'Masters Games' webpage on **20 August 2014**. Both the successful and waiting list applicants will be notified in writing after the ballot (no priority number will be assigned to applicants on the waiting list). Please note that unsuccessful applicants will not be informed separately. LCSD should not be responsible for the postage delay due to the incorrect or incomplete correspondence address provided by the applicant.
- (4) Successful applicants shall bring along their notification letter, identification document (originals or copies) and enrolment fee to the DLSOs (during office hours) or any Recreation and Sports Venues with Leisure Link Services for verification of their personal particulars and payment of enrolment fee during the specified payment period. Successful applicants who do not complete the payment procedure within the payment period will be deemed to have abandoned their participation right. Unfilled places, if any, will be filled by waiting list applicants on a first-come-first-served basis during the specified payment period.

**Date for Payment  
by Successful Applicants**

**25 August – 1 September 2014**

**Date for Payment  
by Waiting List Applicants**

**3 – 5 September 2014**

- (5) If there are remaining places after the deadline for payment by waiting list applicants, or if the competition is under-subscribed, the LCSD will arrange open enrolment on a first-come-first-served basis from **11 September 2014 (starting from 8:30 am) to 12 September** at all DLSOs.

20. Inclement Weather Arrangement : Should Pre-No. 8 special announcement (an advance notice to the public issued by the Observatory when the tropical cyclone warning signal No. 8 is expected within two hours), tropical cyclone warning signal No. 8 or above or black rainstorm warning signal is in force **2 hours before the reporting time for preliminary round of the competition**, all games on that day will be cancelled. DLSO will notify the participants of the corresponding arrangement in due course.

21. Supplementary Regulations : (1) The schedule for each division and events on the event day should follow the on-the-spot announcements.

(2) If any participant(s) is/are found to be impostors or having violated the rules or engaged in improper conduct that affects the competition results, the Organiser will have the right to order him/her/them to withdraw from the competition and his/her/their result(s) in the competition will be cancelled. Enrolment fee will not be refunded.

(3) The DLSO has the right to release the result of competition to the public.

(4) In addition to the rules and remarks stated in this prospectus, participants should also follow all the rules in the Notes to Participant attached.

22. Enquiries : LCSD 24-hour Customer Hotline: 2414 5555  
Major Events Section of the LCSD: 2601 7672  
Office hours: Monday to Friday: 8:45am to 6:00 pm  
(lunch break: 1 pm to 2 pm) (closed on Saturday, Sunday and general holidays)

**LCSD reserves the right to amend it at any time without giving any prior notice.**