

Brief Meet Information

MEET NAME	2026 KBM Qualifier SC Meet
DATE(s):	Saturday, May 23 - Sunday, May 24, 2026
HOSTED BY:	Kingston Blue Marlins
LOCATION:	Queen's University Athletics & Recreation Centre, 284 Earl Street, Kingston, ON K7L 3N6
FACILITY:	10 Lane, SC 25m Competition Pool with 4 Continuous Warm Up Lanes, Colorado Timing System
PURPOSE & DESCRIPTION:	An opportunity for swimmers to qualify for Regional Championships and for younger swimmers to experience racing. With 10 competition lanes and 4 warm-up/warm-down lanes, this meet promises a high-quality racing experience. Individual Events: All events 10 & Under, 11-12, 13-14, 15 & Over. Meet Format: Short Course.
MEET PACKAGE:	The only meet package which will be considered as valid must be the most current version found on www.swimming.ca and the Swimming Canada Registration and Event Management System (REMS).
LAST UPDATE:	13MAY2026 AMS Version 2.0 Pre-competitive swimmer eligibility added 18MAY2026 AMS Version 3.0 Warm Up times updated

Competition Organizing Committee

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Safety at Competitions

Swimming Canada and Swim Ontario believes that athletes, coaches, officials, support staff and volunteers have the right to participate in a safe and inclusive sport environment that is free of abuse, harassment and discrimination.

Only Swimming Canada registered active participants (swimmers, officials, certified coaches and support staff for the meet), facility personnel and authorized Swim Ontario personnel are allowed on deck during the competition.

All participants in this event are reminded that they are bound by Swimming Canada and Swim Ontario Policies and Procedures, including but not limited, to Swimming Canada's General Code of Conduct, their Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Policy, their Harassment Policy and the [Swim Ontario Code of Conduct procedure](#) For more information regarding the [Swim Ontario Policies and Procedures](#) or Safe Sport please visit the Swim Ontario website <https://www.swimontario.com/sport-safety> or www.swimming.ca/safesport

Every club and its participants are responsible for ensuring all facility rules and requirements are followed.

The [Swim Ontario Concussion Management](#) & [Swim Ontario Photography, Videography, and Cellphone Procedure](#) will be in effect. For complete details click [HERE](#).

Videography & Photography Permissions

Provided the facility permits, registered club coaches on the compliance list, approved sport science contractors, and support staff may record for coaching purposes without additional authorization.

All other individuals — including club photographers, contracted photographers/videographers, and media — must apply for and receive authorization to access the competition deck before recording in any medium. All recordings must comply with Swim Ontario policies, including the [Photography, Videography, and Cellphone Procedure](#) and the [Screening Requirements Procedures](#). Contact Meet Management for the application process. All Official Photographers and Videographers, as approved by Swim Ontario, will be declared within this Meet Package.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Any photographers who request permission and are preapproved by Swim Ontario will be permitted on deck.

Competition Rules

Sanctioned as an Age Group Swimming Invitational by Swim Ontario.

All current [Swimming Canada rules](#) will be followed. All registered para swimmers are subject to the rules defined by their current sport class and codes of exception. The stroke and turn rules apply as per Appendix B of the Swimming Canada rulebook. The Sport Class and Exception Codes should be displayed on heat sheets and must be made available to the Session Referee.

All swimmers are permitted to race with the swimwear of their choosing at all competitions sanctioned by Swim Ontario provided the fabric of the swimwear is a permeable open mesh textile and would not reasonably be seen to create a technical advantage in terms of speed, buoyancy, or endurance.

Combined (mixed) gender swimming is permitted for age group swimming competitions. Canadian Age Group records can not be set when heats involve individual mixed genders.

The Starter shall report a swimmer to the Referee for misconduct taking place at the start of a race as per Swimming Canada Part II 2.3.2. The “misconduct” shall include, but is not limited to (C.2.3.2.1):

- Deliberate or negligent acts such as spitting, spouting of water, or blowing the nose in the pool or on the pool deck immediately prior to the start may be considered misconduct.
- Deliberate kicking or striking of the starting platform, including the back plate prior to the start.
- Unsafe or uncontrolled entry into the pool immediately prior to the start of a race. All swimmers must enter the pool with a controlled, feet-first entry.

The Referee may disqualify a swimmer for such misconduct.

Please note that [Swimming Canada Competition Warm-Up Safety Procedures](#) and [Swim Ontario warm-up safety rules](#) will be in effect. Details [HERE](#)

It is incumbent on coaches, swimmers, and officials to work together to comply with these procedures during all scheduled warm-up periods. Coaches are requested to encourage swimmers to cooperate with Safety Marshals.

- Warm up rules:
 - o No loitering at the end of lane
 - o Swimmers must be aware of their surroundings and move over to the lane rope when stopped at the end wall to allow other swimmers to turn
 - o Swimmers using sprint and pace lanes must be directly supervised by their coaches
 - o Deliberate kicking or striking of the starting platform, including the back plate during the sprint periods is not permitted.

Swimmers must enter the pool FEET FIRST in a cautious and controlled manner, entering from a start or turn end only and from a standing or sitting position.

Swimmers witnessed by a Safety Marshal diving or entering the water in a dangerous fashion may be removed, by the Referee, without warning from their next individual event following the warm-up period in which the violation occurred. The swimmer's name and club shall be registered with the Meet Manager.

AGE UP DATE:	The competitor's age is as the first day of the competition: May 23, 2026
DIVE STARTS:	<p>As per Swimming Canada Part II C4.1.2 and C4.1.3 swimmers are permitted to start in-water or from a standing position on the deck or bulkhead when Starting Platforms (blocks) are available. As per the Facility Rules for Dive Starts, at this competition, starts will be conducted as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. from Starting Platforms (blocks) as per World Aquatics II.4.1 and II.16.1.4 from <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. from deep end only <p>and/or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> B. from the Deck or Bulkhead as per Canadian Facility Rule II.C4.1.1 and II.C16.1.4.1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. from deep end only <p>and/or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> C. In-water starts will be conducted as per Canadian Facility Rule II.C4.1.1 and II.C16.1.4.1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. from deep end only
BACSTROKE LEDGES:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ledges will be used and available for ages 13 and over. • For 12 and under sessions, ledges will be put in only if requested by the swimmer.
d/DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING ACCOMMODATION:	<p>This competition can provide the following accommodations for swimmers who are d/Deaf and Hard of hearing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. non-verbal instruction provided by a support person from the swimmer's own club, who is registered in the REMS as support staff. B. Visual Start hand signals given by the starter/referee. C. Visual Start Strobe Light options <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Personal Strobe Light: a personal strobe light from the swimmer's own club may be used with advance notice to Meet Management to determine compatibility with the starter unit. <p>Clubs are to contact Meet Management by the <u>Entry Deadline</u> of the need for accommodations. Support Staff must be included in the submission of entries process.</p> <p>Support Staff must have active REMS registration and be included in the club's event entry. Those not listed in the entry submission will be denied deck access.</p>

Eligibility

<p>All athletes must be registered as <u>Competitive</u> or <u>Varsity</u> swimmers with Swimming Canada and possess a valid Swimming Canada registration number. Athletes may only compete under the age group club or varsity team they are registered with. Registered Para Swimmers are welcome and their current Sport Class must be included in the entries. Entries submitted without a valid registration number and active status in the Swimming Canada Registration and Event Management System (REMS) at the time of the competition will be denied entry. It is the responsibility of the swimmer's club to provide proof of active registration status in REMS</p>	
COACH & SUPPORT STAFF REGISTRATION:	<p>Meet management will cross reference the list of coaches submitted with entries at this competition with the Swim Ontario Compliance lists. If a coach is not on this list, meet management is obligated to enforce the Swimming Canada policy and not permit that coach to attend the meet. Meet management will forward Swim Ontario a list of coaches who they have found to be in non-compliance.</p> <p>Swimmers must have a coach or designated coach (coach representative) in attendance during the meet including warm-up sessions.</p> <p>Clubs needing Support Staff for Para or d/Deaf/Hard of Hearing swimmers must register them in the Swimming Canada Registration and Event Management System (REMS) to access the deck at competitions. Support Staff must have active REMS registration and be included in the club's event entry. Those not listed in the entry submission will be denied deck access.</p>
FOREIGN TEAMS / COMPETITORS:	<p>The following applies to Teams and their competitors not affiliated with Swimming Canada. Swimmers registered as active with a Swimming Canada ID are considered domestic. Foreign Teams' / competitors' entries will not be accepted by the host club.</p>
ADDITIONAL ELIGIBILITY:	<p>Pre-Competitive swimmers are welcome to attend without exceeding the maximum of 1 competition. Pre-competitive swimmers will compete as exhibition and not be eligible for scoring or awards.</p>

Entry Process

ENTRY SUBMISSIONS:	<p>Entries must be submitted through the Swimming Canada Registration and Events System (REMS) and must include all attending coaches and support staff. Meet management will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● not accept entries via email; ● notify clubs within 48 hours of the online entry deadline regarding any rejected entries or required changes to entries; ● notify clubs of any meet format changes or designated warm-up times at least 10 days (for TIER III & IV sanctions) prior to the start of the competition <p>Failure to inform meet management of a no-show / scratch prior to the deadline for changes to entries will result in loss of entry fees.</p> <p>Meet Management reserves the right to further limit individual swims per session and to limit heats if necessary to keep session times to within 4.5 hours.</p>
ENTRY DEADLINE:	<p>The online entry deadline is May 13, 2026. Minor changes will be accepted until Monday, May 18, 2026.</p>
ENTRY FEE:	<p>The following fees will apply for this competition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● \$14.00 entry fee per event

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Entry fees must be paid prior to arrival <p>Payment Methods:</p> <p>A. Electronic Transfer: treasurer@swimkingston.ca – indicate Club Code in notes</p> <p>B. Cheque: Payable to Kingston Blue Marlins</p>
ENTRY LIMITS:	<p>The following limits are in place for this competition:</p> <p>A. Swimmers are permitted to enter a maximum of 4 events per day and a total of 7 events during the competition.</p> <p>B. To ensure a quality competition and positive racing experience, clubs who have reserved spots will be given priority and meet management reserves the right to reduce the maximum number of entries allowed.</p>
INDIVIDUAL EVENTS:	<p>Individual Events - 12 & Under</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All individual events for swimmers 12 & under are timed finals. Awards will be distributed based on the following age groups 10 & under, 11-12 <p>Individual Events - 13 & Over</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All individual events for swimmers 13 & over are timed finals. Awards will be broken into the following age groups: 13-14, 15 and over
ENTRY TIMES & CONVERSION:	<p>Please enter swimmers with an estimated (slower) time to keep closer to meet timelines. LCM Entry Times will be converted by meet management to SCM.</p>

Schedule of Sessions					
Session #	Date	Warm-up Period	Session Start	Prelims/Finals	Age Group
1	Saturday, 23 May	9:30 - 10:25 AM	10:30 AM	Time Finals	13 & Over
2	Saturday, 23 May	1:00 - 1:55 PM	2:00 PM	Time Finals	12 & Under
3	Sunday, 24 May	9:30 - 10:25 AM	10:30 AM	Time Finals	13 & Over
4	Sunday, 24 May	1:00 - 1:55 PM	2:00 PM	Time Finals	12 & Under

Meet Format & Administration	
SEEDING:	Not applicable for this meet.
DECK ENTRIES:	No Deck Entries are permitted.
SCRATCHES & POSITIVE CHECK IN RULES:	<p>The following are the Scratch deadlines for this competition. Scratches are required 30 min before session begins for 400 free</p> <p>The following are the Positive Check-in deadlines for this competition. Positive Check in Required for 400 free (30 min before session begins)</p>
PENALTIES:	No penalty shall be imposed for late or day of scratches and No-Shows
OFFICIAL SPLIT TIMES:	<p>Meet management requires that any coach wishing to rely on a time achieved by the swimmer for an interval shorter than the total distance of the event shall advise the <u>Admin Desk</u> at least 30 minutes prior to the commencement of the session in which the event will take place. Requests for official splits in gendered and mixed relays are not required, however in mixed relays the official time will not be recognized as a Canadian Age Group record.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Official Split Forms are available at the Admin Desk. Not all Official Split requests can be accommodated.

SWIM OFFS:	This competition offers timed final events in all sessions and there will be NO swim-offs.
DISQUALIFICATION & PROTEST PROCEDURE:	<p>A. Disqualification will be reported within fifteen (15) minutes after the swimmer's race. The disqualification shall stand providing all reasonable efforts have been made to report the disqualification including public address systems.</p> <p>B. A club representative should discuss the disqualification with the Session Referee and can request to view the disqualification slip.</p> <p>C. If not resolved after this discussion, a written protest may be presented to the Session Referee from the club representative.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">a. A written protest must be presented within 30 minutes after the conclusion of the <u>event</u> in question.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">b. Protest forms are available at the Admin Desk.</p> <p>D. If not resolved after the decision of the written protest from the Session Referee the matter may be assigned to a Jury of Appeal.</p> <p>E. The decision to go to Jury must be taken within an hour from the moment the decision of the written protest is communicated to the club representative.</p>
RECORDS:	Swim times achieved at this competition will be eligible for Provincial and National Records. Coaches are advised to inform Meet Management prior to the start of the session where mixed gender individual events are taking place that there is a possibility of a Canadian Age Group record being broken. The referee can ensure that the swimmer competes with competitors of the same gender for his/her heat. Swim Ontario has a certified pool length survey for the aforementioned swimming pool.
MEET RESULTS:	<p>Official Results will be posted within 48 hours of completion of the meet to www.swimming.ca</p> <p>A. Unofficial Results will be posted at the meet.</p> <p>B. Unofficial mobile applications results will be available.</p>
SCORING:	<p>The following scoring will be applied:</p> <p>No Scoring</p>
AWARDS:	<p>The following will be awarded:</p> <p>Individual events:</p> <p>A. Medals for 1st to 3rd for swimmers and ribbons to the 4th to 10th place for swimmers 12 and under.</p> <p>B. Medals for 1st to 3rd for swimmers 13 and over</p> <p>C. Awards are separated into the following categories: 10 & under, 11-12, 13-14, 15 & over</p>
FACILITY & HOSPITALITY INFORMATION:	<p>Please access our 2026 Qualifier Hospitality here.</p> <p><u>On Deck Reminders</u></p> <p>To ensure our meet runs safely and smoothly, please remind parents and swimmers of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Vents must remain clear throughout the session - Water is in plastic or metal bottles - Warm up lanes are for circle swimming - Pictures are not taken behind the start blocks - Swimmers must wear shoes and cover up when outside the pool area. <p style="text-align: center;">*SWIMMERS SHOULD ONLY BE ON DECK FOR SESSIONS IN WHICH THEY ARE PARTICIPATING*</p> <p>As a final reminder to parents, only Swimming Canada registered active participants (swimmers, officials, certified coaches and support staff for the meet), facility personnel and authorized Swim Ontario personnel are allowed on deck during the competition.</p>

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Session 1		
Saturday, May 23, 2026		
Warm-up: 9:30 AM — Start: 10:30 AM		
Female	Event	Male
1	13 & Over 200 Free	2
3	13 & Over 100 Fly	4
5	13 & Over 50 Back	6
7	13 & Over 100 Breast	8
9	13 & Over 50 Free	10
11	13 & Over 200 IM	12

Session 2		
Saturday, May 23, 2026		
Warm-up: 1:00 PM — Start: 2:00 PM		
Female	Event	Male
13	12 & Under 200 Free	14
15	12 & Under 100 Fly	16
17	12 & Under 50 Back	18
19	12 & Under 100 Breast	20
21	12 & Under 50 Free	22
23	12 & Under 200 IM	24

Session 3		
Sunday, May 24, 2026		
Warm-up: 9:30 AM — Start: 10:30 AM		
Female	Event	Male
25	13 & Over 400 Free	26
27	13 & Over 100 IM	28
29	13 & Over 100 Back	30
31	13 & Over 50 Fly	32
33	13 & Over 100 Free	34
35	13 & Over 50 Breast	36

Session 4		
Sunday, May 24, 2026		
Warm-up: 1:00 PM — Start: 2:00 PM		
Female	Event	Male
37	12 & Under 400 Free	38
39	12 & Under 100 IM	40
41	12 & Under 100 Back	42
43	12 & Under 50 Fly	44
45	12 & Under 100 Free	46
47	12 & Under 50 Breast	48