



Technical Regulations

2019 World Deaf Swimming Championships

Sao Paulo, Brazil

(update 25 August 2019)



1. EVENTS

Swimming competition will be conducted from **25 – 31 August 2019**. Swimming competitions will consist of the following 42 events (20 men, 20 women, and 2 mixed):

Individual events:

Freestyle - 50m, 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 1500m

Backstroke - 50m, 100m, 200m

Breaststroke - 50m, 100m, 200m

Butterfly - 50m, 100m, 200m

Individual Medley - 200m, 400m

Team relay events:

Freestyle - 4x100m (men, women, mixed)

Freestyle - 4x200m (men, women)

Medley - 4x100m (men, women, mixed)

2. PARTICIPANTS

2.1. Age Eligibility

There are no age restrictions.

2.2. Number of Swimmers

Each National Federation may enter a maximum number of 26 men and 26 women swimmers.

Each National Federation may enter a maximum of four (4) competitors in each preliminary individual event with only the fastest two (2) competitors qualifying for the final individual event. One (1) team in each relay event.

Swimmers entered for individual events and for the relays may act as reserves for the relays. Composition of teams for the relay events must be announced at least one hour before the corresponding sessions begin. Team compositions may be changed between the heats and the final. When preliminaries are swum, medals shall be awarded to those swimmers who swam in the preliminaries and the final race.

2.3. Qualification Times

There are qualifying times for each individual and relay event for the World Deaf Swimming Championships. Qualification times must be obtained prior 01 July 2019. Qualification times on the [WDSC 2019](http://www.wdsc2019.org) website.

National Federation having no swimmers qualified may enter one man and one woman regardless of time standards in competitions of their choice with evidence of participation in national competition.

2.4. A fine of USD \$100 is levied on each non-starting athlete with the exception of those presenting a doctor's declaration that he/she should not be allowed to start.



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3. REGISTRATION

3.1. Preliminary Registration

Preliminary registrations with an indication of the probable number of swimmers, coaches, and officials must be submitted to the ICSD Swimming Technical Director, td-swimming@ciss.org, by **24 August 2018**.

3.2. Final Registration

Final registrations with the names of each swimmer indicating event entered and best time must be submitted to the ICSD Swimming Technical Director, td-swimming@ciss.org by **2 August 2019**. Submissions will be made via official registration form.

3.2.1. No changes or additional entries will be accepted after **2 August 2019**.

4. COMPETITION RULES AND REGULATIONS

4.1. Technical Organisation

ICSD is responsible for the technical organisation of the Swimming competitions.

4.2. Competition Rules

4.2.1 Technical Committee

Technical committee will be composed of the ICSD Technical Director for Swimming and members appointed by the Organizing Committee:

GERSHWIND, Reed	– ICSD Technical Director
BAILEY, CindyLu	– WDSC Swimming Technical Assistant
FALCAO, Marcelo	– FINA Official
POLESKI, Josiane	– Sports Liaison Officer

4.2.2 Protest Committee

Protest Committee shall consist of:

GERSHWIND, Reed	– ICSD Technical Director
BAILEY, CindyLu	– WDSC Swimming Technical Assistant
FALCAO, Marcelo	– FINA Official
DE OLIVERIA, Mauricio	– CBDA Referee

4.2.3 Competition Rules

The Swimming competitions will be conducted in accordance with the FINA Rules and Regulations (version 2017 – 2021). In case of disagreement in the interpretation of the Rules and Regulations, the English text shall prevail. Unforeseen incidents not covered by the Rules and Regulations shall be dealt with as follows:

4.2.4 Cases of a general nature will be resolved in accordance with World Championships Regulations and this Swimming Technical Regulations.



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4.2.5 Technical questions related to competition rules shall be resolved according to the FINA Rules and Regulations.

4.2.6 Only athletes who comply with the World Championships Regulations are entitled to take part in the World Championships Swimming competitions.

4.3. Competition Equipment

All equipment and implements used during competitions will comply with the FINA Rules and Regulations.

4.4. Competition Swim Suit

Competitors must wear swimming costumes complying with the requirements of FINA Rules and Regulations. Participants must observe the regulations contained in the FINA Rules and Regulations regarding advertisements on clothing, etc. in the pool areas.

4.5. Draw

Draw for heats and lane assignments for all events will be conducted in accordance with FINA Rules and Regulations.

4.6. Competition Plan

There shall be heats and finals in events, with the exception of less than 8 swimmers entered in an event. Two (2) individual events; 800m Freestyle and 1500m Freestyle will be **timed finals**. All lanes will be allotted to swimmers according to FINA Rules and Regulations. A swimmer or team not wishing to take part in final may withdraw within thirty (30) minutes following the heats of the event. The National Federation of any swimmer who withdraws from the final more than thirty (30) minutes after the heats shall pay to the ICSD the sum of USD \$100, in case of a relay, the sum shall be USD \$250.

4.7. Officials

4.7.1. Referees and Starters

Where possible, referees and starters shall be in possession of an FINA international referee license valid for 2019. However, referees and starters with national accreditation may be used.

4.7.2. Appointment

Organizing Committee shall appoint an appropriate number of referees, supervisor, judges, starters, inspectors, recorders, clerks, and other required personnel.

4.7.3. Competition Organization

ICSD Technical Director shall under the control of the Technical Committee head management of the competitions. Its function will be as follows:

- organize entries
- manage competition
- appoint officials
- decide protests and/or other matters



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5. VENUES

5.1. Competition Venue

Swimming competitions will take place at **CTPB – Centro de Treinamento Paralímpico Brasileiro** (Brazilian Paralympic Training Center). Rodovia dos Imigrantes, s/n – Vila Guarani 04329-100, São Paulo/SP, Brazil. The swimming complex is indoors with 10-lane 50m competition pool and a 25m training pool. Rooms, showers, dry land training facilities, and first aid services will be available.

5.2. Training Venue

Training venue is the same as the competition venue.

6. SCHEDULE

6.1. Competition Schedule

Refer to the competition schedule on the [WDSC 2019](#) website.

6.2. Training Schedule

Refer to the training schedule on the [WDSC 2019](#) website.

7. CONTROL AND SANCTIONS

7.1. Hearing Devices

Use of any hearing aid/amplification or external cochlear implant parts are not permitted within the restricted zone area.

7.1.1. Restricted Zone Area

Restricted zone area is in effect from the time athletes enter the call room and throughout the pool deck during the warm-up and competition period.

7.1.2. Violation and Penalty

When this rule is violated, refer to [Audiogram Regulations](#), *Article 8: VIOLATIONS and PENALTIES*.

7.2. Medical Control

Refer to [World Championships Regulations](#) – WC9. CONTROL AND SANCTIONS.

8. PROTESTS

8.1. Procedure for lodging a protest

All sport related protests will be resolved in accordance to the FINA Rules and Regulations and will be managed by the Swimming Protest Committee. Any official protest must be submitted in writing in English on the Official World Championships Protest Form. The form must be given to the ICSD Technical Director with USD \$100 within 30 minutes after official results are posted.

ICSD Technical Director will decide whether the protest is sport related or eligibility related. The Swimming Protest Committee will review all sport related protests, and ICSD Representative will



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review all eligibility protests. The deposit of USD \$100 will be returned to the appellant only if the protest is considered valid.

8.2. Procedures for reviewing a protest

The Swimming Protest Committee will meet in the Technical Directors office at a time decided upon by the chairperson of the committee.

- ICSD Technical Director will be the chairperson of the committee.
- Sports Liaison Officer (SLO) will be responsible to book the meeting room and interpreters.
- Sports Liaison Officer (SLO) will contact all committee members to inform them of the meeting time and location.
- ICSD Technical Director will be responsible for liaising with the State Sports Association's Competition Manager.

Sports Liaison Officer (SLO) will be responsible for informing World Championship Headquarters and ICSD Technical Director will be responsible for informing ICSD Representative about the protest and outcome.

9. TECHNICAL MEETING

9.1. Date and Location

The first Swimming technical meeting will be held on 25 August 2019; 10:00 am at CTPB – Centro de Treinamento Paralimpico Brasileiro..

9.2. Attendance

Each participating National Federation may be represented by two officials, of whom at least one must be deaf and, if necessary, an interpreter.