

Rules and procedures for Ketelbinkie's 25th Anniversary Swim Tournament, September 29th, 2018

1. During the tournament, international rules for Master's Competitions and the Royal Dutch Swimming Association (KNZB) are observed. The KNZB is affiliated with the Fédération Internationale de Natation Amateur (FINA).

2. Swimmers may participate in the competition if they were older than 20 years of age as of December 31st, 2018.

A swimmer's age category will be determined based on the swimmer's age as the 31st of December 2018.

3. The age categories for individual swimmers are grouped by every five years: 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, etc.

4. The classification of the age categories for the relays is based on the sum of the ages of the participants in a relay: 99 and under, 100-119, 120-159, 160-199, 200-239, etc.

5. Each participant is required to be registered to start through a swimming association linked to the FINA.

6. A participant may sign up to swim a maximum of 3 individual numbers.

7. A relay team must consist of members from the same swim association. A mixed relay group must consist of two men and two women. Relay swimmers must also be individually registered.

8. Heats will be placed from slowest to fastest, regardless of age or sex. Swimmers who have not registered an entry time will be placed in the first heats.

9. A one-start procedure will be used; a false start charge will automatically disqualify the swimmer from the event.

10. The heat-declared winner will be determined at that time and place – there are no finals. Medals will be awarded to individuals and teams placed first, second, and third per distance, and for gender and age group. If there are 3 participants in the same age category and of the same gender, then only the first two ranking participants will receive a medal. If there are 2 participants of the same age category and gender, then only medal will be awarded.

11. Timekeeping will be done by hand.

12. Objections have to be submitted in writing to the chief referee.

13. Registration for individual numbers closes September 15, 2018; the registration for relays closes September 23rd, 2018. Alterations in relay teams can be submitted up until 1 hour before the start of the tournament.

14. The maximum amount of participants is 400. In case more than 400 participants register, participation will be determined based on the date of registration. This effectively means that registration will close after the limit of 400 participants has been reached.

15. If the amount of registration for the 800 meter freestyle gives reason for limiting the number of participants, the organization reserves the right to do so.

16. The registration fee is due September 5th, 2018, via a wire transfer to the bank account number of Ketelbinkie Rotterdam, with mention of Ketelbinkie 25 jaar and your name.

17. The organization cannot be held liable for any damage(s) or theft of any kind during the tournament.