



*As of 1 March 2021: Please check the latest sports information guide for registration

Swimming (Open Water)



- 1 **Host:** Organising Committee of the World Masters Games 2021 Kansai, Osaka Local Organising Committee, Sennan Local Organising Committee
- 2 **Organisers:** Japan Swimming Federation, Japan Masters Swimming Association
- 3 **Co-Organisers:** Osaka Swimming Association
- 4 **Competition Dates:** Saturday, 21 May – Sunday, 22 May 2022 (Competition: 1 Day)

| Date | Time | Event |
|------------------|---------------|---|
| Saturday, 21 May | 10:00 – 16:00 | Official Practice, Competition briefing meeting (team leaders' meeting), Social exchange event |
| Sunday, 22 May | 8:30 – 16:30 | Opening Ceremony 8:30 - Start Time (All starts will be "wave start") <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1.0km from 9:00 • 3.0km from 10:15 • 5.0km from 13:30 |

* The competition start time is subject to change

- 5 **Venue**
Tarui Southern Beach (Rinkuminamihama, Sennan, Osaka 590-0535)
- 6 **Competition Capacity**
Approx. 300 participants

7 Events

(1) Distance

1.0km · 3.0km · 5.0km

(2) Grade Definition

A: Championship Level (Non-wetsuit)

*When the water temperature is below 20°C wetsuit (complied with FINA regulations) is permitted and when the water temperature is below 18°C wetsuits are compulsory.

B: Recreational Level (Wetsuit permitted)



(3) Age Categories (For all Grades)
(General Category)

| For all Grades | Distance | Age Categories |
|----------------|---------------------|--|
| Men | 1.0km, 3.0km, 5.0km | 25+,30+,35+,40+,45+,50+,55+,60+, 65+,70+,75+,80+,85+,90+,95+,100+ |
| Women | 1.0km, 3.0km, 5.0km | 25+,30+,35+,40+,45+,50+,55+,60+, 65+,70+,75+,80+,85+,90+,95+,100+ |

8 Competition Rules and Methods

(1) Competition Rules

All swimming events will be conducted in accordance with the FINA OPEN WATER SWIMMING RULES 2017-2021 and local rules or as otherwise specified in this document.

(2) Technical Delegate

Hidesumi Kaneko, Japan Swimming Federation

(3) Competition Rule

① Time limits:

- 1.0 km 50 minutes
- 3.0 km 120 minutes
- 5.0 km 150 minutes

② Swim suit, Wetsuit: Championships events must comply with FINA regulations.

- Swim suit: The competitor can wear only one swimsuit in one or two pieces. No additional items, like arm bands or leg bands shall be regarded as parts of a swimsuit. When the water temperature is 20°C or above, swimsuits for both men and women shall not cover the neck, nor extend past the shoulder, nor extend below the ankle.
- Wetsuit: The use of a wetsuit is not permitted. However, when the water temperature is below 20°C wetsuit is permitted (as option) and when the water temperature is below 18°C wetsuits are compulsory.
- For the Recreational Level, there is no restriction. The use of wetsuit is recommended.

③ Feeding platform: All athletes, including the championship level, are allowed to feed from the platform.

9 Eligibility

(1) Age requirement:

Minimum age is 25 (born on or before 31 December 1997)

In line with the sport-specific rules, an athlete must compete in their designated age group, thus, age determined as at 31 December 2022. (Ex. if you are 39 during Games time but have turned 40 by 31 December 2022, you would compete in the 40+ age category.)

(2)Others:

Persons with impairments are limited to those who can participate under the same conditions as healthy people

10 Medal Ceremony

The Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be awarded to the first, second and third-ranked teams by level and by category.

The medal award ceremony will be held at any time at the end of each event (distance).

11 Registration Fee

(1) Competition participation fee (including tax and handling fee)

* Check [World Masters Games 2021 Kansai Participation Terms and Conditions](#) for detail.

① Competition participants (Basic fee: allowed to participate in 5 disciplines)

a) Overseas participants: 24,000 yen/person
(Including a transportation pass for mobility within the Kansai area.)

b) Domestic participants: 15,000 yen/person
(Does not include a transportation pass. Could be bought optionally at an additional cost.)

② Persons related to the competition (Basic fee)

a) Overseas participants: 14,000 yen/person
(Including a transportation pass for mobility within the Kansai area.)

b) Domestic participants: 5,000 yen/person
(Does not include a transportation pass. Could be bought optionally at an additional cost.)

(2) Additional charges (extra fee)

None

(3) Rental fee for competition equipment, etc.

None (Competition equipment will not be rented.)

12 How to Apply for Participation

Application is made through the entry system on the official website (Entry System) dedicated to the application for the entry to the competition via PC or smartphone.

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13 Notes on Participation

(1) In case of bad weather

The competition may be held by changing the competition course, distance and start time, etc. may be changed. In case of cancellation, such decision will be made by 7:00 on the day of the official training and by 6:00 on the day of the competition and posted on the website.

(2) Competition equipment

Each swimmer must provide itself with the swimsuits and wet suits and the organiser will provide the swim caps. The timing chips will be distributed at the time of entry registration (they must be returned.).

(3) Insurance

The organiser will subscribe to accident insurance for participants, but this insurance is applicable only to “injuries incurred during the competition in the competition venues” of the “competition participants and persons related to the competition”, and does not cover all kinds of risks during the competition. Therefore, all persons taking part in the competition are requested to subscribe to required insurance at own risk and costs.

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(4) Doping Control

① The doping control in accordance with the [World Anti-Doping Code](#) and [the rules of the International Masters Games Association](#) shall apply to this competition.

② Anti-doping activities (doping inspections and anti-doping education activities) shall be conducted in accordance with [the rules of the International Masters Games Association](#).

③ Participants are deemed to have agreed to be subject to doping control procedures in accordance with [the rules of the International Masters Games Association](#) upon entry to the competition. Participants are advised to check [the rules of the International Masters Games Association](#) Rules for more details.

④ This competition aims to promote anti-doping activities as an activity to protect clean sports and clean athletes in order to leave various values of sports to the next generation through sports in cooperation with the Japan Anti-Doping Agency.

14 Application for Accommodation and Transportation

(1) Accommodation

Refer to the Accommodation Information Page on the [World Masters Games 2021 Kansai Official Website](#) for information on accommodation.

(2) Transportation

Refer to the Transportation Information Page on the [World Masters Game 2021 Kansai Official Website](#) for transportation information including access to the venue.

15 Others

All participants must complete the accreditation process and check-in at the competition venue before participating (competing or getting involved) in a competition.

(1) Games Accreditation

Accreditation services shall be provided at the Opening Village, each Prefectural

Masters Village, Center Village, and the Temporary Accreditation Venue. The participant must bring a valid photo identification and complete accreditation process personally by one day before the competition. (No exception will not be allowed.) Furthermore, even when participating in team competitions or as a team, each participant must complete accreditation process.

Accreditation process can be completed at any of designated service desks; however, operation hours and dates differ depending on the location.

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(2) Sport Check-in

① Date and Time:

Saturday, 21 and Sunday, 22 May 2022, Time will be announced at a later date

② Venue:

At the competition entry registration booth to be provided around the Southern Beach

③ Other remarks:

Since the booth will be crowded on the day of the competition, participants are asked to complete the entry procedures on the day before the competition.

(3) Warm-up

Swimmers will perform warming-up at the warm-up area on the beach

(4) Competition results.

The competition results will be displayed on the bulletin board at the venue and posted on the website.

(5) Advance event for friendship exchange

The venue for the event will be installed in a place adjacent to the Southern Beach on the day before. (SENNAN LONG PARK) (Sennan Municipal Rinku Park)