



SPECIAL OLYMPICS
**LOUISIANA AQUATICS
TOURNAMENT**



September 26, 2021
Crawfish Aquatics
7150 Bluebonnet Blvd
Baton Rouge, LA 70810
Warmups begin at 10am
Competition begins at 11am

Deadlines & Due Dates

- Complete Entries: **08/15/21 by 4:30 PM**
- Athletes entered without a valid and complete athlete packet will not be able to participate
- Coaches/Unified Partners without valid and complete certifications will not be able to participate
- There will be NO EXCEPTIONS OR EXTENSIONS to the due date
- **Exact times and event orders/schedules will be released at a later date.**
- **Athletes can enter up to 3 individual events and 1 relay.**

Registration Fees

- There are no registration fees for this event.

Allowed and Non-Allowed Expenses

- A meal will be provided at the meet for all registered athletes, coaches, and unified partners.
- **Each Area Team Leader must provide us with a meal count for their area. This count is due on 08/15/21.**
- Approved expenses will be reimbursed. Please note, each Local Training Program/Area must have the revenue to cover ANY cost associated with coming to this event. Please email or contact Brock Banos if you have any budget questions. For areas requiring bus transportation, contracts must be submitted to the state office for prior approval. Rental cars will not be allowed for any areas which use bus transportation. Please remember that 15-passenger vans are not allowed.

Registration Qualifications

Athletes & Alternates:

- Athletes will be given the opportunity to compete against their peers, with similar skill levels.
- Alternates must be submitted with your official entries in order for them to be use them. All deadlines and documentation requirements apply to alternates as well. Alternates must be clearly marked in the entry submission.

- When sending in entries, please be sure to assign a Supervised By person to each athlete.
- Please make sure that your area has an accurate athlete to coach ratio. 4:1 athlete to Certified Coach ratio and a 1:1 athlete to coach ratio for athletes that use a wheel chair.
- All participating athletes must have an accurate and current Athlete Packet.
The Athlete packet can be found on our website [here](#).
- All athletes also must have completed the COVID code of conduct form as well as the communicable disease waiver. (Attached in the email)
- Any athlete that does not have an Athlete Packet before the entry deadline will NOT be allowed to participate. **THERE WILL BE NO DATE EXTENSIONS OF THE ENTRY DUE DATE. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THAT POLICY.** Please make arrangements to get this required information turned in ASAP!

Coaches and Unified Partners:

- All participating coaches must be Level 1 coaches in order to participate at the State Swim Meet or any other state competition.
- Unified Partners must have the same certifications as the Sport Assistant outlined in the Coach Progression Chart.
- Sport assistants may attend as 1:1 ratio supervisors only. All athletes requiring a 1:1 ratio need to be reported at the time of the entry due date.
- All Class-A Volunteers (Coaches and Unified Partners) must have the appropriate certifications by the deadlines stated above or they will be scratched
- All coaches must have a copy of each athlete's medical history (2 pages) and physical exam (1 page) for the athlete they are supervising. This is a requirement of being a coach in Special Olympics Louisiana. To apply or recertify to become a Class-A Volunteer please [click here](#).

Game Day Information and Procedures

- Each area will be responsible for assigning a Delegation Leader that must report their delegations scratches to the registration table.
- We will be using ID tags and lanyards for all registered participants.
- Please review all [coaching resources](#), including the code of contact, before arrival.
- A meal will be provided for all registered participants.

COVID-19 SAFETIES AND PROTOCOLS

- Everyone who enters the venue must get their temperature taken upon entry.
- Everyone must sign-in at the registration table with their first name, last name, and phone number for COVID-19 Screening and Tracking.
- Please visit our website at this link for the most up to date safety measures that will be implemented: <https://www.laso.org/return-2-play.html>

Events Offered

Please note that an athlete may only compete in events within his/her category. An athlete may NOT participate in events from two different categories.

Category 1 (Fundamental)

15M Walk
15M Flotation
15M Kickboard
25M Flotation
15M Assisted
15M Unassisted
25M Assisted

Category 2

25M Backstroke
25M Breaststroke
25M Butterfly
25M Freestyle
50M Backstroke
50M Breaststroke
50M Butterfly
50M Freestyle

Relays

4x25 Free Relay
4x25 Medley Relay

Category 3

100M Backstroke
100M Breaststroke
100M Freestyle
100M Butterfly
100M Individual Medley
200M Freestyle
200M Backstroke
200M Breaststroke
200M Butterfly
200M Individual Medley
400M Individual Medley
400M Freestyle
800M Freestyle

Relays

4x50 Medley Relay
4x50 Freestyle Relay
4x50 Freestyle Unified Relay
4x100 Freestyle Unified Relay