



# MASTERS SWIMMING WORLD RECORD APPLICATION FORM

NOTE: World Records can only be established in a Masters meet as per FINA Rule MSW 5.3.

1 **STROKE** ..... **DISTANCE** ..... Male / Female / Mixed (Circle One)

2 **OFFICIAL TIME** .....min.....sec.....sec/100

3 **AGE GROUP** .....

4 **POOL LENGTH** Short course (25m)  Long course (50m)

5 **LOCATION/DATE OF OFFICIAL AUTHORIZED MASTERS MEET**

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Pool Name City Country Date Of Swim

6 **CONFIRMATION OF POOL LENGTH BY A RESPONSIBLE PERSON:** ATTACHED  OR ON FILE

7 **NAME OF SWIMMER** ..... **M / F** .....  
First Name / Last Name Sex Age Date of Birth (Name Month)

**8 RELAY TEAM NAMES**

1 ..... M/F .....  
2 ..... M/F .....  
3 ..... M/F .....  
4 ..... M/F .....

9 **COPY OF BIRTH CERTIFICATE OR PASSPORT:** ATTACHED  OR ON FILE

10 **CLUB NAME** ..... **FEDERATION** .....

11 **PRIMARY ELECTRONIC TIME** .....min.....sec.....sec/100

12 **BACKUP SEMI-AUTOMATIC TIMES** (needed if primary system fails SW 12.7

(1).....min.....sec.....sec/100 (2).....min.....sec.....sec/100 (3).....min.....sec.....sec/100

13 **A COPY OF THE TIMING SYSTEM PRINTOUT MUST BE ATTCHED**

**14 CERTIFYING OFFICIAL - All FINA RULES were followed including the use of legal swim suit (SW 12.8)**

PRINTED NAME ..... SIGNATURE .....  
OFFICIAL TITLE ..... DATE .....

**15 NATIONAL RECORDER - This Masters meet had fulfilled the rules mentioned in FINA Rule MSW 5.3 and in the Masters Swimming World Records Application Instructions**

PRINTED NAME ..... SIGNATURE .....  
FEDERATION .....  
DATE .....

**16 FINA RECORDER** Long Course / Short Course Approved / Not Approved

Reason for Non Approval

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Signature ..... Date .....

## **MASTERS SWIMMING WORLD RECORD APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

### **1. GENERAL**

World Records for Masters are recognized by FINA in both Long Course (50 metre pools only) and Short Course (25 metre pool only). Performance must be registered at a Masters meet as per FINA Rule MSW 5.3.

### **2. EVENTS AND AGE GROUPS**

#### **2.1 INDIVIDUAL EVENTS - for Men and Women**

**Freestyle** – 50m, 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m and 1500m;  
**Backstroke, Breaststroke and Butterfly** – 50m, 100m and 200m;  
**Individual Medley** – 100m (Short Course only), 200m and 400m.

#### **Age Groups:**

25 – 29, 30 – 34, 35 – 39, 40 – 44, 45 – 49, 50 – 54, 55 – 59, 60 – 64, 65 – 69,  
70 – 74, 75 – 79, 80 – 84, 85 – 89, 90 – 94, 95 – 99, 100 – 104, ...  
**(five year age groups as high as is necessary).**

#### **2.2 RELAY EVENTS - for Men, Women and Mixed (2 men and 2 women)**

4x50m **Freestyle**, 4x50m **Medley**, 4x100m **Freestyle**, 4x100m **Medley**, 4x200m **Freestyle**

Relay Age Groups are calculated from the total age of team members (in whole years) 100 – 119 years, 120 to 159 years, 160 – 199 years, 200 to 239 years, 240 – 279 years, 280 to 319 years, 320 – 359 years, 360 to 399 years, ...  
**(forty year increments as high as is necessary).**

### **3. ELIGIBILITY**

All applicants must be financial members of a Federation affiliated with FINA. Relay teams must be made up of four swimmers each properly registered with a single club. Swimmers may swim for only one club at any particular meet.

### **4. TIMING**

- a. Only electronic timing will be accepted. OR
- b. Semi-Automatic Timing in the case of where the Automatic Timing system malfunctioned
- c. Meet timing record or photocopy is to be attached to the application form.

### **5. AGE DETERMINING DATE**

For all purposes pertaining to Masters World Records and Masters World Championship meets, the actual attained age of the competitor as of 31 December of the year of the meet shall determine their age group for that competition and any record set during that competition.

## 6. APPLICATIONS

Applications for records should be placed on FINA Masters Swimming World Record Application Forms (FINA Form MSR1) by the Meet Director and submitted within sixty (60) days of the event. The application is to be endorsed by either the Chief Timekeeper or the

Referee of the meet. The National Federation is to verify the details of the applicant and ensure that all documentation is complete including:

- a. Certification of pool length;
- b. Proof of date of birth;
- c. Timing record.

The application should be forwarded to the **FINA Office** located at:  
**Chemin de Bellevue 24a / 24b, 1005 Lausanne, SWITZERLAND.**  
**Email: [masters@fina.org](mailto:masters@fina.org)**

FINA will decide whether to approve the record application. The FINA Office will inform the National Federation of the results of each application. If after publication an error is detected, the swimmers have the right to appeal for a correction within 6 months of the publication date.

### **DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS:**

**Point 1** If the Record Application is for an Individual Event, then enter that Event Name from the above list item # 2.1. If it is for a Relay Event then enter that Event Name from the above list item # 2.2. Circle either Male, Female or Mixed.

**Point 2** Enter the Official Time in minutes, seconds and 1/100<sup>th</sup> of second without rounding.

**Point 3** If the Record Application is for an Individual Event then enter the Age Group from the above list item # 2.1. If for a Relay Event then enter the Age Group from the above list item #2.2.

**Point 4** Identify the Course Type as either Short Course 25 metres or Long Course 50 metres.

**Point 5** Enter the Pool Name, City, Country and Date of the Official Sanctioned Masters Meet.

**Point 6** A copy of the pool length confirmation must either be attached with this application or already on file with the FINA Masters Recorder. A one-time measurement is required unless there are changes to the pool that might cause the pool measurements to change. Then the pool length must be confirmed again. Where a moveable bulkhead is used, it is not necessary for an additional course measurements confirmation of the lane where the time was achieved.

**Point 7** If an Individual Event then list the swimmer's first name then last name, circle M for male or F for female, enter age (see item #5 above) and the full date of birth including the name of the month.

**Point 8** If this record is for a Relay then list each member of the relay in the order they swam. List the swimmer's first name then last name, circle M for male or F for female, enter age (see item #5 above) and the full date of birth including the name of the month.

**Point 9** A copy of each swimmer's birth certificate or passport must either be attached with this application or already on file with the FINA Masters Recorder. A marriage certificate is not required.

**Point 10** Enter the Club name of the individual swimmer or relay team and the Federation that this club is affiliated with.

**Point 11** Enter the Official Time from the Primary Automatic Officiating Equipment. The time is entered in minutes, seconds and 1/100<sup>th</sup> second without rounding.

**Point 12** If the primary Automatic Officiating Equipment malfunctions then enter the times from the Backup Semi-Automatic Officiating equipment. The times are entered in minutes, seconds, 1/100<sup>th</sup> second without rounding.

**Point 13** A printed copy from the Automatic Officiating Equipment is required. The printout must show the details including all backup times from the specific heat where the record occurred. Meet results with splits are not acceptable.

**Point 14** Enter the Name and Title of the Certifying Official. A signature and date is required.

**Point 15** The National Masters Recorder for the Federation where the swimmer(s) is affiliated must enter the Name and Federation. A signature and date is required.

**Point 16** For Official Use Only.

## APPENDIX I

### Ruling for Masters Top Ten tabulations.

Results that are valid for the FINA Masters Top Ten results can only be established in a Masters meet:

- a. formally sanctioned by a FINA Member federation and
- b. organised for or on behalf of a club or an organisation, which is a member of this FINA Member Federation or recognised by FINA and
- c. conducted under the rules of FINA (and specially those relevant to Masters Swimming) and
- d. in which only swimmers registered in a club member of a FINA Member Federation participated.