

**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). Performances must be registered at a sanctioned Masters Meet. All events must be swum under FINA rules as applied to Masters Swimming.

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, ...

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...

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. Electronic timing will take precedence.

b. If non-electronic, three digital watches are required and all 3 times must be submitted.

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 Avenue de l'Avant-Poste Nr. 4, 1005 Lausanne, SWITZERLAND. Email: 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:

Line 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.

Line 2 - Enter the Official Time in minutes, seconds and 1/100th of second without rounding.

Line 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.

Line 4 – Identify the Course Type as either Short Course 25 metres or Long Course 50 metres.

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

Line 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.

Line 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.

Line 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.

Line 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.

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

Line 11 – If the primary timing system used Automatic Officiating Equipment then enter the electronic time in minutes, seconds, 1/100th second without rounding.

Line 12 – If the primary timing system did not use Automatic Officiating Equipment then enter the Non-Electronic times from the 3 sources.

Line 13 – If the primary timing system used Automatic Officiating Equipment then a copy of that systems printout is required. The printout must show the details from the specific heat where the record occurred. Meet results with splits are not acceptable. If the primary timing

system did not use Automatic Officiating Equipment then submit a copy of the timers sheet/card.

Line 14 – Enter the Name and Title of the Certifying Official. A signature and date is required.

Line 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.

Line 16 & 17 – For Official Use Only.