

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM
2016 Montana Masters State Championship Swim Meet

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Last Name¹: _____ First Name¹: _____ MI¹: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Age²: _____ Birthdate: _____ Sex: _____ USMS#³: _____

Club and/or Workout Group (or Unattached)⁴: _____

¹ Name as it appears on your 2016 USMS registration card

² Age as of March 20, 2016

³ If you do not have a current US Masters Swimming membership, go to www.USMS.org/reg/ to register for an annual membership. Alternatively, you can purchase a one-event registration for \$18.

⁴ Please note that one-event registrants must swim "unattached," and times swum under one-event registration are not eligible for USMS Top Ten or records consideration.

Saturday, March 19		Sunday, March 20	
EVENT	SEED TIME	EVENT	SEED TIME
1) 1,650 Freestyle	: .	10) 200 I.M.	: .
2) 400 I.M.	: .	11) 50 Backstroke	: .
3) 50 Breaststroke	: .	12) 100 Freestyle	: .
4) 200 Freestyle	: .	13) 50 Butterfly	: .
5) 100 Butterfly	: .	14) 200 Breaststroke	: .
6) 200 Backstroke	: .	15) 1,000 Freestyle	: .
7) 50 Freestyle	: .	16) 400 Free Relay	(Deck-seeded)
8) 200 Free Relay	(Deck-seeded)	17) 100 Breaststroke	: .
9) 500 Freestyle	: .	18) 100 Backstroke	: .
If you do not have a time for an event, your best guess is preferred to "no time." This will help with the timeline of the meet, and provide the best placement of swimmers in competitive heats.		19) 200 Butterfly	: .
		20) 100 I.M.	: .
		21) 200 Medley Relay	(Deck-seeded)

Meet entry fee (required) \$40

Dinner tickets _____ x \$18 = \$ _____

Event sponsor _____ x \$20 = \$ _____

USMS one-event registration (\$18) \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Make check payable to "Bozeman Masters Swim Club"

MAIL ENTRIES TO:

Montana Masters State Championship

c/o Tony Thatcher

405 N. Willson Ave.

Bozeman, MT 59715

ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN
 FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 2016.

For questions, or to confirm receipt, contact
 Tony Thatcher at 406-581-0847 or

tony@dtmgis.com

This entry form has TWO PAGES.

The liability waiver must be completed and included with your entry.



PARTICIPANT WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

For and in consideration of United States Masters Swimming, Inc. ("USMS") allowing me, the undersigned, to participate in any USMS sanctioned or approved activity, including swimming camps, clinics, and exhibitions; learn-to-swim programs; swimming tryouts; fitness and training programs (including dryland training); swim practices and workouts (for both pool and open water); pool meets; open water competitions; local, regional, and national competitions and championships (both pool and open water); and related activities ("Event" or "Events"); I, for myself, and on behalf of my spouse, children, heirs and next of kin, and any legal and personal representatives, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, hereby agree to and make the following contractual representations pursuant to this Waiver and Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement (the "Agreement");

1. I hereby certify and represent that (i) I am in good health and in proper physical condition to participate in the Events; and (ii) I have not been advised of any medical conditions that would impair my ability to safely participate in the Events. I agree that it is my sole responsibility to determine whether I am sufficiently fit and healthy enough to participate in the Events.
2. I acknowledge the inherent risks associated with the sport of swimming. I understand that my participation involves risks and dangers, which include, without limitation, the potential for serious bodily injury, sickness and disease, permanent disability, paralysis and death (from drowning or other causes); loss of or damage to personal property and equipment; exposure to extreme conditions and circumstances; accidents involving other participants, event staff, volunteers or spectators; contact or collision with natural or manmade objects; dangers arising from adverse weather conditions; imperfect water conditions; water and surface hazards; facility issues; equipment failure; inadequate safety measures; participants of varying skill levels; situations beyond the immediate control of the Event organizers; and other undefined, not readily foreseeable and presently unknown risks and dangers ("Risks"). I understand that these Risks may be caused in whole or in part by my own actions or inactions, the actions or inactions of others participating in the Events, or the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties defined below, and I hereby expressly assume all such Risks and responsibility for any damages, liabilities, losses or expenses that I incur as a result of my participation in any Events.
3. I agree to be familiar with and to abide by the Rules and Regulations established by USMS, including any safety regulations. I accept sole responsibility for my own conduct and actions while participating in the Events.
4. I hereby Release, Waive and Covenant Not to Sue, and further agree to Indemnify, Defend and Hold Harmless the following parties: USMS, its members, clubs, workout groups, event hosts, employees, and volunteers (including, but not limited to, event directors, coaches, officials, judges, timers, safety marshals, lifeguards, and support boat owners and operators); the USMS Swimming Saves Lives Foundation; USMS Local Masters Swimming Committees (LMSCs); the Event organizers and promoters, sponsors and advertisers; pool facility, lake and property owners or operators hosting the Events; law enforcement agencies and other public entities providing support for the Events; and each of their respective parent, subsidiary and affiliated companies, officers, directors, partners, shareholders, members, agents, employees, and volunteers (individually and collectively, the "Released Parties"), with respect to any liability, claim(s), demand(s), cause(s) of action, damage(s), loss or expense (including court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees) of any kind or nature ("Liability") which may arise out of, result from, or relate in any way to my participation in the Events, including claims for Liability caused in whole or in part by the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties.
5. I further agree that if, despite this Agreement, I, or anyone on my behalf, makes a claim for Liability against any of the Released Parties, I will indemnify, defend and hold harmless each of the Released Parties from any such Liabilities which any may be incurred as the result of such claim.

I hereby warrant that I am of legal age and competent to enter into this Agreement, that I have read this Agreement carefully, understand its terms and conditions, acknowledge that I will be giving up substantial legal rights by signing it (including the rights of my spouse, children, heirs and next of kin, and any legal and personal representatives, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns), acknowledge that I have signed this Agreement without any inducement, assurance, or guarantee, and intend for my signature to serve as confirmation of my complete and unconditional acceptance of the terms, conditions and provisions of this Agreement. This Agreement represents the complete understanding between the parties regarding these issues and no oral representations, statements, or inducements have been made apart from this Agreement. If any provision of this Agreement is held to be unlawful, void, or for any reason unenforceable, then that provision shall be deemed severable from this Agreement and shall not affect the validity and enforceability of any remaining provisions.

Last Name	First Name	MI	Sex (circle) M F	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yy)
Street Address, City, State, Zip				
Signature of Participant				Date Signed

2016 Montana Masters State Championship Swim Meet
Saturday, March 19 and Sunday, March 20, 2016
Hosted by the Bozeman Masters Swim Club
Sanctioned by the Montana LMSC for USMS Inc. Sanction number: 316-S004

MEET DIRECTOR: Phillip Luebke, 406-600-2771 or president@bozemanmasters.org

TIMES: Warmups will begin at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday and 9 a.m. on Sunday. The meet will start at 11 a.m. on Saturday and 9:30 a.m. on Sunday.

LOCATION: Marga Hosaeus Fitness Center, 120 Marga Hosaeus Fitness Center, Montana State University, Bozeman, MT 59715, 406-994-5000.

PARKING: No fee or permit is required to park in university lots on the weekend. Based on construction of the new parking structure east of the fitness center, your best option will likely be the North Fieldhouse Lot at the corner of 11th Ave. and Grant St (immediately west of the fitness center). Please note that service drives, handicapped zones, 24-hour reserved areas, fire lanes, no parking zones, etc. are enforced 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

FACILITY: Eight-lane, 25-yard pool. The length of the competition course without a bulkhead is in compliance and on file with USMS in accordance with articles 105.1.7 and 107.2.1. Some deck seating will be provided, but space is limited. Please bring your own chairs and/or blankets to sit on.

CONCESSIONS: There will be no concessions. Please patronize our sponsors and advertisers, including The Pickle Barrel.

RULES: Current USMS rules (see <https://www.usms.org/rules/>) will govern the meet.

ELIGIBILITY: Open to all 2016 USMS or foreign-registered swimmers 18 years of age and above as of 3/20/2016. One-event registrants will be considered unattached and agree to be governed by the rules and regulations of USMS, except that their times shall not be considered for state records, Top Ten tabulation, USMS or world records, All-American status, or any other USMS special awards.

AGE GROUPS: 18-24, 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... (five-year age groups as high as is necessary). The eligibility of a participant for a particular age group shall be determined by the participant's age on 3/20/2016.

ENTRY LIMITS: Each swimmer may compete in a maximum of eight individual events, not exceeding five individual events in a single day. There is no limit on relays.

SEEDING: Swimmers will be seeded on the basis of their submitted times. All events will be swum mixed-gender and seeded slowest to fastest, with the exception of the 1,000 freestyle, which will be seeded fastest to slowest. Swimmers may be seeded two to a lane for the 1,650 freestyle. There will be no individual deck entries. Relays will be deck seeded.

CHECK-IN: Positive check-in will be required for the 1,650 and 1,000 freestyle events.

WARM-UP/WARM-DOWN: In addition to the specified warm-up times before each session,

one of the two outside lanes will be set aside for warm-up/warm-down during the conduct of the meet. Swimmers must enter the pool feet first in a cautious and controlled manner. Diving and backstroke starts shall be permitted only during general warm-up sessions, and only then when specified by meet officials. No hand paddles are allowed.

SCORING AND AWARDS: Scoring will be 8-6-5-4-3-2-1 for individual events. Relay events will not be scored. Team points will be tallied at the end of the meet for bragging rights and possession of the traveling state championship trophy.

ENTRY FEES: \$40 per swimmer. Swimmers who do not have a current US Masters Swimming annual membership must purchase a one-event registration for \$18. Checks should be made payable to "Bozeman Masters Swim Club." No entries will be accepted without the proper entry fees. There will be no refunds. Entries must be received no later than Friday, March 11, 2016.

MEET FORMAT: Events will be swum in the order indicated on the entry form. All events will be conducted on a timed-final basis. An automatic Colorado Timing System will be used, with touchpads at the starting end only. Two timers with manual stopwatches will be provided per lane as backup.

RESULTS: Results will be posted as they are finalized at the meet. Swimmers will be placed and receive points according to their gender and age group categories.

ALTITUDE ADJUSTMENT: Times achieved in this meet may be adjusted, for national qualifying times purposes only, by subtracting the adjustment time (in seconds) from the actual time achieved. The specific adjustments for each age group and gender are found in the appendix of the USMS rule book.

DINNER AND SOCIAL: A dinner and social will be held Saturday evening at the American Legion, 225 East Main Street, Bozeman, beginning at 5:30 p.m. The dinner, catered by Toast, will include roasted vegetable lasagna, meat lasagna, salad, bread and butter, brownies or cookies, lemonade and iced tea. Friends and family are welcome, but please purchase all dinner tickets in advance to ensure availability. Adult beverages will be available for purchase from the bar.

BUSINESS MEETING: The annual meeting of the membership of the Montana LMSC will be held at the conclusion of the dinner on Saturday evening.

ACCOMMODATIONS: The Element at 25 East Mendenhall Street in Downtown Bozeman is holding a limited number of single-king (\$109/night) and double-queen (\$129/night) rooms for March 18-20. Included in the rate is their Rise: Breakfast Bar. The Element is a 5-10 minute drive to the pool and a short walk to the American Legion. To get the group rate, book your room at <http://goo.gl/2F5L1x> by February 16. If you have any questions or encounter any problems, please call the Element at 406-582-4972.

SPONSORS: The 2016 Montana Masters State Championship Swim Meet is made possible with support from First Interstate Bank, Signs of Montana, Girls Outdoors, Take Control Montana, Michael Dougherty with RE/MAX Bozeman Realty Group, Excel Physical Therapy and the Coleman Family.