



# BIRKIRKARA ST JOSEPH SPORTS CLUB

## GARMIN BIRKIRKARA ST JOSEPH OPEN WATER SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2021

### REGULATIONS

1. The Garmin Birkirkara St Joseph Open Water Swimming Championships 2021 shall be organized by the Swimming Board of Birkirkara St. Joseph Sports Club, under the auspices of the Aquatic Sports Association of Malta.
2. The Championships will consist of six races as shown hereunder:

DATE	VENUE	DISTANCES	TIME
7 <sup>th</sup> June	To be announced 1 day before	2 kilometres	08:00 hrs
16 <sup>th</sup> June	To be announced 1 day before	2 kilometres	18:30 hrs
23 <sup>rd</sup> June	To be announced 1 day before	2 kilometres	18:30 hrs
7 <sup>th</sup> July	To be announced 1 day before	2 kilometres	18:00 hrs
21 <sup>st</sup> July	To be announced 1 day before	2 kilometres	18:00 hrs
28 <sup>th</sup> July	To be announced 1 day before	4 kilometres	17:00 hrs

The Club reserves the right to cancel events at its own discretion, even at short notice.

3. The overall and age-group winners in the Male and Female categories will be those swimmers with the best accumulated times in five (including the 4K event) of the six races. (\*Regarding qualification for the Club organized Gozo-Malta and Malta-Gozo-Malta Open Water Swimming Competition, the OWS Championship race on the 21<sup>st</sup> July will have an extended distance of 2 kilometres for the sake of those swimmers who will not be able to compete in the 4-kilometre OWS championship race. However on the 21<sup>st</sup> July the official time taken will be that for the 2-kilometre distance which will be valid for the championships' general classification, and the 4-kilometre timing will be only valid for the channel swims qualification.)
4. The overall winners in the Male and Female categories will be declared The Open Water Swimming Champions and will be presented with a prize and/or trophy each. The second and third placed in both categories will be presented with a commemorative trophy. Trophies will also be presented to the respective Male and Female age-group winners. Swimmers completing the six races of the Championships may be presented with a certificate upon request.
5. All swimmers must wear a swimming cap during the races which should be of a fluorescent colour and may be numbered by the organizers. Dark coloured swimming caps are prohibited. Wetsuits can be used, however, swimmers using wetsuits will not be eligible to be included in the overall championships classification.
6. Registered swimmers should be at the race venue not later than half an hour before the start of the race. Non-registered swimmers one hour before. Registration may be withheld after the allotted time, to ensure punctuality in starting the races.
7. The entry fee for each race is €15 per race or €75 for the five races. Club caps will be available for sale at €5.00 (latex) and €8.00 (silicone). Birkirkara St. Joseph S.C. members, upon presentation of their 2021 membership card, shall have their block entry fee reduced to €60.
8. **SAFETY:** All efforts will be made by the Club to ensure the safety of the swimmers during these events. Nonetheless, swimmers are being reminded that should at any time a swimmer feels unwell, s/he should immediately draw the attention of one of the marshals on the patrolling canoes or boat, or head for the shore immediately. The organizers, at their own discretion, may postpone or cancel an event should rough sea or a jellyfish invasion prevail.
9. Covid-19 Protocols
  - a. There will be no presentation of awards ceremony after the race finishes.
  - b. Spectators will not be allowed in the race area
  - c. Swimmers are to leave the race venue as soon as they finish the race.
  - d. Swimmers should have their own timing transponder.
  - e. Payments are to be affected either on line on the Club website <https://bkarastjoseph.com/index.php?id=13> or by cheque issued in favour of Birkirkara St. Joseph Sports Club and forwarded to the Club's address.
  - f. Entry Forms may be scanned and emailed to [bkarastjoseph@hotmail.com](mailto:bkarastjoseph@hotmail.com) or posted to the Club's address.
  - g. In terms of the authorities' guidelines the Club cannot provide hydration and nutrition stations.
  - h. Swimmers are to ensure that they are conversant with the guidelines issued in respect of race procedures and Covid-19 restrictions.
  - i. It is the triathletes' responsibility to adhere to these special conditions.
9. The club reserves the right to announce the venues according to the prevailing circumstances 1 day prior to the events. The organizers shall issue a notice on the Club's website [www.bkarastjoseph.com](http://www.bkarastjoseph.com) and the Facebook Swimming page.
10. Race results will be published in real time by the Club's time-keeping contractors.
11. The only interpreters of these regulations are the members of the Club's Swimming Board.

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Organised under the auspices of the A.S.A. of Malta

### RACE ENTRY FORM

<b>ENTRY FEES</b> €15.00 per race €75.00 for the whole Championships	<b>DATES</b> Monday, 7 June Wednesday, 16 June Wednesday, 23 June Wednesday 7 July Wednesday, 21 July Wednesday, 28 July	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>RACE NUMBER</b> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
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NAME \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF BIRTH  MALE  FEMALE  Mobile Number

Minimum age on day of race: 12 years

Emergency Mobile No.  Email

### RACE CATEGORIES (Please tick where appropriate)

TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL PRIZE YOU MUST TICK THE BOX WHICH RELATES TO THE CATEGORY YOU WISH TO ENTER

OPEN 18 years of age and older (by Dec 31, 2021)	<input type="checkbox"/>	UNDER 17 (Born 2004, 2005, 2006)	<input type="checkbox"/>
UNDER 14 (Born 2007, 2008)	<input type="checkbox"/>	MASTERS 'A' Ages 31 to 40 (by Dec 31, 2021)	<input type="checkbox"/>
MASTERS 'B': Ages 41 to 50 (by Dec 31, 2021)	<input type="checkbox"/>	MASTERS 'C' Ages 51 to 60 (by Dec 31, 2021)	<input type="checkbox"/>
MASTERS 'D' Over 61 (by Dec 31, 2021)	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

### DISCLAIMER

I declare that I have read and understood the race/races regulations and the Agreement entitled "Events Registration, Release and Waiver of Liability and Assumption of Risk and Indemnity" issued by Birkirkara St. Joseph Sports Club in respect of events organized by the said Club. I agree to be bound by the regulations of this race, and the laws and regulations of the Aquatic Sports Association of Malta. Enclosed please find cash/cheque No. \_\_\_\_\_ amounting to € \_\_\_\_\_. (Please make cheques payable to Birkirkara St. Joseph Sports Club.)

Name and Surname: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's/Guardian's Name, surname and signature (if under 18 years of age)