Otters Summer Splash Invitational 2026

Brief Meet Information

MEET NAME	**Otters Summer Splash Invitational 2026**
DATE(s):	**Friday, June 26 to Sunday, June 28**
HOSTED BY:	Orangeville Otters Swim Club
LOCATION:	Alder Recreation Center (275 Alder Street, Orangeville, ON)
FACILITY:	25m, 8 Lanne Pool Quantum Electronics Timing System
PURPOSE & DESCRIPTION:	This Open Age Group Meet provides a competitive racing opportunity at the start of summer break, kicking off the summer season. ● 12 & under Timed Finals ● 13 & over Preliminary and Finals (except 400m IM, 400m Free and Relay Timed Finals) ● 1500m and 800m Free Open Timed Final ● Preliminary and Timed Finals will be swum as combined multi age groups seeded by time and split out for results.
COMPETITION CONFIGURATION	● Single Ended
MEET PACKAGE:	The only meet package which will be considered as valid must be the most current version found on www.swimming.ca and the Swimming Canada Registration and Event Management System (REMS).
LAST UPDATE:	June 1, 2026 June 15, 2026 June 22, 2026 June 25, 2026

Competition Organizing Committee

ROLE	NAME	EMAIL	LEVEL
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Safety at Competitions

Swimming Canada and Swim Ontario believes that athletes, coaches, officials, support staff and volunteers have the right to participate in a safe and inclusive sport environment that is free of abuse, harassment and discrimination.

Only Swimming Canada registered active participants (swimmers, officials, certified coaches and support staff for the meet), facility personnel and authorized Swim Ontario personnel are allowed on deck during the competition.

All participants in this event are reminded that they are bound by Swimming Canada and Swim Ontario Policies and Procedures, including but not limited, to Swimming Canada's General Code of Conduct, their Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Policy, their Harassment Policy and the Swim Ontario Code of Conduct procedure For more information regarding the Swim Ontario Policies and Procedures or Safe Sport please visit the Swim Ontario website https://www.swimontario.com/sport-safety or www.swimming.ca/safesport

Every club and its participants are responsible for ensuring all facility rules and requirements are followed.

The Swim Ontario Concussion Management & Swim Ontario Photography, Videography, and Cellphone Procedure will be in effect. For complete details click HERE.

Videography & Photography Permissions

Provided the facility permits, registered club coaches on the compliance list, approved sport science contractors, and support staff may record for coaching purposes without additional authorization.
All other individuals — including club photographers, contracted photographers/videographers, and media — must apply for and receive authorization to access the competition deck before recording in any medium. All recordings must comply with Swim Ontario policies, including the Photography, Videography, and Cellphone Procedure and the Screening Requirements Procedures. Contact Meet Management for the application process. All Official Photographers and Videographers, as approved by Swim Ontario, will be declared within this Meet Package.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	A. Meet management will not accept requests to access the competition deck to record. B. Live Steaming of this event will be provided by Orangeville Otters Swim Club: https://www.youtube.com/@OttersStreaming

Competition Rules

Sanctioned as an Age Group Swimming Invitational by Swim Ontario.

All current Swimming Canada rules will be followed. All registered para swimmers are subject to the rules defined by their current sport class and codes of exception. The stroke and turn rules apply as per Appendix B of the Swimming Canada rulebook. The Sport Class and Exception Codes should be displayed on heat sheets and must be made available to the Session Referee.

All swimmers are permitted to race with the swimwear of their choosing at all competitions sanctioned by Swim Ontario provided the fabric of the swimwear is a permeable open mesh textile and would not reasonably be seen to create a technical advantage in terms of speed, buoyancy, or endurance.

Combined (mixed) gender swimming is permitted for age group swimming competitions. Canadian Age Group records can not be set when heats involve individual mixed genders.

The Starter shall report a swimmer to the Referee for misconduct taking place at the start of a race as per Swimming Canada Part II 2.3.2. The "misconduct" shall include, but is not limited to (C.2.3.2.1):

- Deliberate or negligent acts such as spitting, spouting of water, or blowing the nose in the pool or on the pool deck immediately prior to the start may be considered misconduct.

- Deliberate kicking or striking of the starting platform, including the back plate prior to the start.
- Unsafe or uncontrolled entry into the pool immediately prior to the start of a race. All swimmers must enter the pool with a controlled, feet-first entry.

The Referee may disqualify a swimmer for such misconduct.

Please note that Swimming Canada Competition Warm-Up Safety Procedures and Swim Ontario warm-up safety rules will be in effect. Details HERE

It is incumbent on coaches, swimmers, and officials to work together to comply with these procedures during all scheduled warm-up periods. Coaches are requested to encourage swimmers to cooperate with Safety Marshals.

- **Warm up rules:**
  - No loitering at the end of lane
  - Swimmers must be aware of their surroundings and move over to the lane rope when stopped at the end wall to allow other swimmers to turn
  - Swimmers using sprint and pace lanes must be directly supervised by their coaches
  - Deliberate kicking or striking of the starting platform, including the back plate during the sprint periods is not permitted.

Swimmers must enter the pool FEET FIRST in a cautious and controlled manner, entering from a start or turn end only and from a standing or sitting position.

Swimmers witnessed by a Safety Marshal diving or entering the water in a dangerous fashion may be removed, by the Referee, without warning from their next individual event following the warm-up period in which the violation occurred. The swimmer's name and club shall be registered with the Meet Manager.

AGE UP DATE:	The competitor's age is as the first day of the competition June 26, 2026
DIVE STARTS:	**As per Swimming Canada Part II C4.1.2 and C4.1.3 swimmers are permitted to start in-water or from a standing position on the deck or bulkhead when Starting Platforms (blocks) are available. As per the Facility Rules for Dive Starts, this competition Starts will be conducted as follows:** 1. From Starting Platforms (blocks) as per World Aquatics II.4.1 and II.16.1.4 from a. from deep end only and/or 2. From the Deck or Bulkhead as per Canadian Facility Rule II.C4.1.1 and II.C16.1.4.1 a. from deep end only and/or 3. In-water starts will be conducted as per Canadian Facility Rule II.C4.1.1 and II.C16.1.4.1 a. from deep end only
BACSTROKE LEDGES:	Backstroke ledges will be used and available for all ages and sessions.
d/DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING ACCOMMODATION:	**This competition can provide the following accommodations for swimmers who are d/Deaf and Hard of hearing:** A. Non-verbal instruction provided by a support person from the swimmer's own club, who is registered in the REMS as support staff. B. Visual Start hand signals given by the starter/referee.

	C. Visual Start Strobe Light options a. **Facility-Provided Strobe Light**: An external strobe light is available at this facility **Clubs are to contact Meet Management by the Entry Deadline of the need for accommodations. Support Staff must be included in the submission of entries process.** Support Staff must have active REMS registration and be included in the club's event entry. Those not listed in the entry submission will be denied deck access.

Eligibility

All athletes must be registered as Competitive or Varsity swimmers with Swimming Canada and possess a valid Swimming Canada registration number. Athletes may only compete under the age group club or varsity team they are registered with. Registered Para Swimmers are welcome and their current Sport Class must be included in the entries. Entries submitted without a valid registration number and active status in the Swimming Canada Registration and Event Management System (REMS) at the time of the competition will be denied entry. It is the responsibility of the swimmer's club to provide proof of active registration status in REMS.	
ADDITIONAL ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION:	A. This meet is an Open Invitational Meet B. Preference will be given to the host club first. C. Varsity swimmers from attending clubs are welcome to attend and compete in this meet.
COACH & SUPPORT STAFF REGISTRATION:	Meet management will cross reference the **list of coaches submitted with entries** at this competition with the Swim Ontario Compliance lists. If a coach is not on this list, meet management is obligated to enforce the Swimming Canada policy and not permit that coach to attend the meet. Meet management will forward Swim Ontario a list of coaches who they have found to be in non-compliance. **Swimmers must have a coach or designated coach (coach representative) in attendance during the meet including warm-up sessions.** Clubs needing Support Staff for Para or d/Deaf/Hard of Hearing swimmers must register them in the Swimming Canada Registration and Event Management System (REMS) to access the deck at competitions. Support Staff must have active REMS registration and be included in the club's event entry. Those not listed in the entry submission will be denied deck access.
FOREIGN TEAMS / COMPETITORS:	**The following applies to Teams and their competitors not affiliated with Swimming Canada. Swimmers registered as active with a Swimming Canada ID are considered domestic.** ● Foreign Teams' / competitors' entries will not be accepted by the host club.

Entry Process

ENTRY SUBMISSIONS:	**Entries must be submitted through the Swimming Canada Registration and Events System (REMS) and must include all attending coaches and support staff.** Meet management will: A. not accept entries via email; B. notify clubs within 48 hours of the online entry deadline regarding any rejected entries or required changes to entries;

	C. notify clubs of any meet format changes or designated warm-up times at least 5 days (for TIER II sanctions) and 10 days (for TIER III & IV sanctions) prior to the start of the competition **Failure to inform meet management of a no-show / scratch prior to the deadline for changes to entries will result in loss of entry fees.** Meet Management reserves the right to further limit individual swims per session and to limit heats if necessary to keep session times to within 4.5 hours.
ENTRY DEADLINE:	**The online entry deadline is June 12, 2026.** ● Changes to entries will be accepted until June 12, 2026
ENTRY FEE:	**The following fees will apply for this competition:** A. Individual Events: $15 for 400m and below, $18 for 800m, $20 for 1500m B. Relay Events: $20 **Payment Method:** Please make cheques payable to Orangeville Otters Swim Club or e-transfer to accounting@orangevilleotters.com
ENTRY LIMITS:	**The following limits are in place for this competition:** A. The maximum number of participants per session is 250 B. The maximum number of individual events per swimmer is 7.
RELAY ENTRIES & MIXED RELAYS:	**Teams may move up no more than two (2) swimmers from a younger age category to fill a relay.** ● Relay swimmers must be entered in a non-relay event in order to compete. ● Each swimmer can only swim once in each relay event.
ENTRY TIMES & CONVERSION:	A. No Time (NT) entries are not permitted. B. Estimate entry times are accepted.

Schedule of Sessions

Session #	Date	Warm-up period	Start of session	Approx. Finish of session	Time Final/Heats /Finals
1A	June 26, 2026	12:45pm-1:10pm	1:15pm	4:15pm	Timed Finals
1B	June 26, 2026	4:30pm-5:25pm	5:30pm	8:15pm	Timed Finals and Prelims
2	June 27, 2026	7:00am-7:55am	8:00am	10:30am	Prelims/Timed Finals
3	June 27, 2026	11:00am-11:55am	12:00pm	4:30pm	Timed Finals
4	June 27, 2026	5:15pm - 5:40pm	5:45pm	8:15pm	Finals
5	June 28, 2026	7:00am-7:55am	8:00am	10:30am	Prelims/Timed Finals
6	June 28, 2026	11:00am-11:55am	12:00pm	4:00pm	Timed Finals
7	June 28, 2026	4:30pm-4:55pm	5:00pm	7:00pm	Finals

**45 minute break before Saturday Finals for award presentation (June 27, 2026)

Warm-up Information:	**Split warm-up following the chart below.** ☑ The last 10 minutes of each session: Lanes 2 & 8 will be opened as sprint lanes, and Lane 7 will be open for backstroke starts. ☑ Lane 1 is a designated Para warm-up lane.

Warm-up Information:

Session	Date	Warm-up period A	Warm-up A - Teams	Warm-up period B	Warm-up B - Teams
1A	June 26, 2026	12:45 pm - 1:10 pm	ESWIM, MAC, BTSC, NSSC, OTTER	N/A	N/A
1B	June 26, 2026	4:30 PM - 4:55 PM	OTTER, MAC, NSSC	5:00 PM - 5:25 PM	BTSC, ESWIM
2	June 27, 2026	7:00 AM - 7:55 AM	ESWIM, MAC, BTSC, NSSC, OTTER	N/A	N/A
3	June 27, 2026	11:00 AM - 11:25 AM	BTSC, ESWIM	11:30 AM - 11:55 AM	OTTER, MAC, NSSC
4	June 27, 2026	5:15 PM - 5:40 PM	ESWIM, MAC, BTSC, NSSC, OTTER	N/A	N/A
5	June 28, 2026	7:00 AM - 7:55 AM	ESWIM, MAC, BTSC, NSSC, OTTER	N/A	N/A
6	June 28, 2026	11:00 AM - 11:25 AM	OTTER, MAC, NSSC	11:30 AM - 11:55 AM	BTSC, ESWIM
7	June 28, 2026	4:30 PM - 4:55 PM	ESWIM, MAC, BTSC, NSSC, OTTER	N/A	N/A

Meet Format & Administration

SEEDING:	After all times are converted as pursuant to the conversion process: A. Seeding for Timed Final events will be in order of entry times, slowest to fastest. a. with the exception of Distance Events which will be seeded fastest to slowest. B. Seeding for Preliminary events will be as per Part II 3.1 of the Swimming Canada rulebook with fastest 3 heats circle seeded.
DECK ENTRIES:	**All accepted Deck Entries are Exhibition Only and are not eligible for scoring or awards. No new heats will be created for deck entries (only empty lanes, if available)**. The following are the Deck Entry Rules for this competition: A. Only event deck entries are permitted for swimmers <u>already entered in the competition</u>. a. Fee: $20
RELAY NAME SUBMISSION:	**Relay Cards or Forms must be returned to the Admin Desk.** A. Relay Cards are available at Coach File Box B. The Relay Name submission deadline is 30 minutes after the start of the session.
SCRATCHES & POSITIVE CHECK IN RULES:	**The following are the Scratch deadlines for this competition.** A. There is a scratch deadline for: a. All events b. Scratches are to be made at the Admin Desk 30 minutes prior to the start of each session. B. A scratch deadline will apply for finals events: a. 30 minutes following the posting of results of last preliminary event in that session **The following are the Positive Check-in deadlines for this competition.**

	● There is no positive check-in required for this competition.
PENALTIES:	A. No penalty shall be imposed for late or day of scratches and No-Shows B. Failure to participate in an event with a scratch or positive check-in deadline will result in following penalty: a. No penalty
OFFICIAL SPLIT TIMES:	**Meet management requires that any coach wishing to rely on a time achieved by the swimmer for an interval shorter than the total distance of the event shall so advise the <u>Admin Desk</u> at least 30 minutes prior to the commencement of the session in which the event will take place. Requests for official splits in gendered and mixed relays are not required, however in mixed relays the official time will not be recognized as a Canadian Age Group record.** A. Official Split Forms are available at the Admin Desk. B. Not all Official Split requests can be accommodated.
SWIM OFFS:	**This competition offers preliminary events.** A. All swim-offs are to be run during or at the end of the session in which the tie occurred at a time mutually agreed upon by coaches and officials. B. Coaches are to report to the Admin Desk when a swim-off is announced.
DISQUALIFICATION & APPEAL PROCEDURE:	● Disqualification will be reported within fifteen (15) minutes after the swimmer's race. The disqualification shall stand providing all reasonable efforts have been made to report the disqualification including public address systems. ● A club representative should discuss the disqualification with the Session Referee and can request to view the disqualification slip. ● If not resolved after this discussion, a written appeal may be presented to the Session Referee from the club representative. ○ A written appeal must be presented within 30 minutes after the conclusion of the <u>event</u> in question. ○ Appeal on Referee Decision forms are available at the Admin Desk. ● If not resolved after the decision of the written appeal from the Session Referee the matter may be assigned to a Jury of Appeal. ● The decision to go to Jury must be taken within an hour from the moment the decision of the written appeal is communicated to the club representative.
RECORDS:	● Swim times achieved at this competition will be eligible for Provincial and National Records. Coaches are advised to inform Meet Management prior to the start of the session where mixed gender individual events are taking place that there is a possibility of a Canadian Age Group record being broken. The referee can ensure that the swimmer competes with competitors of the same gender for his/her heat. Swim Ontario has a certified pool length survey for the aforementioned swimming pool.
MEET RESULTS:	**Official Results will be posted within 48 hours of completion of the meet to** www.swimming.ca A. Unofficial Results will be posted at the meet. B. Unofficial mobile applications results will be available. C. Unofficial Live Results will be available.

SCORING:	**The following scoring will be applied:** ● 1st through 16th will be scored as follows: ○ 60-50-42-34-30-22-20-18-16-14-12-10-8-6-4-2
AWARDS:	**The following will be awarded:** A. Individual events: Medals for 1st-3rd and ribbons for 4th-8th place. Individual awards and results will be broken out by gender and the following age groups apply: 10 & Under, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 & Over. B. Relay events: Medals for 1st-3rd place. Relay awards and results will be broken out by gender and the following age groups apply: 10 and under, 11-12, 13-14, 15 and over **BELL HEATS** During Sessions 3 and 6, random heats will be selected as Bell Heats and will be indicated by ringing a bell. The winner of each selected heat will have the opportunity to choose from a variety of treat and swim-related prizes.
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:	Meet Management reserves the right to limit the number of 1500m and 800m freestyle entries to conform with session time limits. **FINALS FORMAT:** ● After prelims, the **top 32 swimmers aged 13 and older** based on overall times will advance to finals. ● Finals will consist of **four heats seeded slowest to fastest**, regardless of age. ● Once all finals heats are completed, **overall results will be separated into age groups** (13, 14, 15, 16 & Over) for final rankings. ● If an age group has **no swimmers qualify for the top 32 finals heats** (e.g., no 13-year-olds), **preliminary times will be used to rank places within that age group**. **PARA WARM UP LANE:** ● Lane 1 (All Sessions) **STARTS/SPRINT LANES:** ● Dive starts - Lanes 2 & 8 (All Sessions - last 10 minutes of warm-up) ● Backstroke - Lane 7 (All Sessions - last 10 minutes of warm-up) **OFFICIATING** Out-of-to officials are welcome and appreciated. Officials wishing to volunteer at the meet are asked to register using the following link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScuc2MsGLTF4aU-8xNqkzcszfsrIESwKDSsppuYpiUQQNwZOQ/viewform?usp=header

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Schedule of Events

TF = Timed Finals, P = Preliminaries, F = Finals

Session 1A Friday June 26, 2026 Warm-up: 12:45 pm – Start: 1:15pm		
Women		Men
109	Mixed Open 1500M Free (TF)	109
101	Mixed Open 800M Free (TF)	101

Session 1B Friday June 26, 2026 Warm-up: 4:30pm – Start: 5:30pm		
Women		Men
~~101~~	~~Mixed Open 800M Free (TF)~~	~~101~~
151	12&U 200M IM (TF)	152
103	13&O 200M IM (P)	104
153	12&U 50M Free (TF)	154
105	13&O 50M Free (P)	106
155	12&U 50M Back (TF)	156
107	13&O 50M Back (P)	108
~~109~~	~~Mixed Open 1500M Free (TF)~~	~~109~~

Session 2 Saturday June 27, 2026 Warm-up: 7:00 am – Start: 8:00 am		
Women		Men
201	13&O 100M Fly (P)	202
203	13&O 100M Free (P)	204
205	13&O 200M Breast (P)	206
207	13&O 400M Free (TF)	208
209	13&O 50M Fly (P)	210
211	13&O 200M Back (P)	212
501	13-14 4x100M Medley Relay (TF)	502
503	15&O 4x100M Medley Relay (TF)	504
5 MINUTE BREAK		
101	Mixed Open 800M Free (TF) (Fastest Heat)	101

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Session 3 Saturday June 27, 2026 Warm-up: 11:00am – Start: 12:00pm		
Women		Men
251	12&U 100M Fly (TF)	252
253	12&U 100M Free (TF)	254
255	12&U 200M Breast (TF)	256
257	12&U 400M Free (TF)	258
259	12&U 50M Fly (TF)	260
261	12&U200M Back (TF)	262
551	10&U 4x100M Medley Relay (TF)	552
553	11-12 4x100M Medley Relay (TF)	554

Session 4 (Finals) Saturday June 27, 2026 Warm-up:5:15pm– Start: 5:45pm		
Women		Men
201	13&O 100M Fly (F)	202
203	13&O 100M Free (F)	204
107	13&O 50M Back (F)	108
205	13&O 200M Breast (F)	206
209	13&O 50M Fly (F)	210
211	13&O 200M Back (F)	212
103	13&O 200M IM (F)	104

Session 5 Sunday June 28, 2026 Warm-up: 7:00 am – Start 8:00 am		
Women		Men
301	13&O 100M Breast (P)	302
303	13&O 200M Fly (P)	304
305	13&O 100M Back (P)	306
307	13&O 50M Breast (P)	308
309	13&O 200M Free (P)	310
311	13&O 400M IM (TF)	312
505	13-14 4x200M Free Relay (TF)	506
507	15&O 4x200M Free Relay (TF)	508
5 MINUTE BREAK		
109	Mixed Open 1500M Free (TF) (Fastest Heat)	109

Session 6 Sunday June 28, 2026 Warm-up:11:00am – Start: 12:00pm		
Women		Men
351	12&U 100M Breast (TF)	352
353	12&U 200M Fly (TF)	354
355	12&U 100M Back (TF)	356
357	12&U 50M Breast (TF)	358
359	12&U 200M Free (TF)	360
361	12&U 400M IM (TF)	362
555	10&U 4x100M Free Relay (TF)	556
557	11-12 4x100M Free Relay (TF)	558

Session 7 (Finals) Sunday June 28, 2026 Warm-up: 4:30pm – Start: 5:00pm		
Women		Men
301	13&O 100M Breast (F)	302
303	13&O 200M Fly (F)	304
305	13&O 100M Back (F)	306
105	13&O 50M Free (F)	106
309	13&O 200M Free (F)	310
307	13&O 50M Breast (F)	308