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Water Polo Information Guide





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Tournament Contact	All questions concerning the tournament should be directed to Nick Gaffey at Ngaffey@usawaterpolo.org or call at 1 (321) 356-9696.
Location	YMCA Aquatic Center 8422 International Drive Orlando, FL 32819 1 (407) 363-1911
Date	June 21-23, 2013
Team Entry Fee	Entry fee for this tournament is \$700.00 USD each team will be assured 4 games
Local airport	Team should fly in and out of Orlando International Airport (airport code MCO)
Ground Transportation	Teams should make arrangements to and from the airport. Teams can contact Jeff Miles at Jmiles@cporlando.com or call 407-781-2169 to arrange ground transportation.
Recommended Hotel	Crowne Plaza Universal 7800 Universal Boulevard Orlando, FL 32819 Call 888-233-9527 to book rooms. Refer to the "Master's Pan American Games" group for the discounted rate. Hotel is walking distance from pool. Less than 1.5 Kilometers.
Minimum age limit	30 years.
Age determining date	The actual age of the competitor as of 31 December 2013. Ages will need to be verified by Passport or official federation identification with photo included.
Gender	The 2013 Pan-American masters Championships are open to Masters Clubs registered with the member Federations of UANA. The teams entered may be Men's Club Teams and Women's Club teams. Women may be members of men's teams.
Team age	The age of the youngest member of the team determines the age group of the



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group	team. There are no restrictions on the age of the players except than the youngest player who must be 30 years. Age groups for teams, both men and women, are at five-year intervals beginning with 30+; 35+; 40+; 45+; 50+ and 5 years increments as high as necessary. If there are fewer than three teams entered in an age group, they will be offered the opportunity to compete in the next youngest age group, even keeping a separate ranking.
Pools characteristic	Pool "A" Indoor pool 50 meters Water Polo course 23.5m x 20m with warm-up area (field A) Pool "B" Indoor pool Diving well Water Polo course 23,5y x 20m (field B)
Competition dates	Friday 21 June 2013 to Sunday 23 June 2013.
Competition Format	The competition format will be determined according to the number of teams entered in an age group. The format may be round robin, or group play. The object will be to have each team play a minimum of four games and to determine the final placing as far down in each age group as feasible. If less than three (3) teams are registered in an age group, they will be asked to compete in the next youngest age group while maintaining a separate ranking. Team's who do not agree, will have their team registration fee reimbursed. The full competition schedule will be published on the Internet after the registration closing date.
Technical meeting	The Technical Meeting will take place on June 20th, at 3pm. The meeting is open to Athletes, Coaches and Managers.
Warm up	Athletes must enter the water using extreme caution. All Athletes who do not comply with the safety rules set out by the organization, or are guilty of unsportsmanlike conduct, may be sanctioned by the tournament committee and/or the UANA Masters Technical committee.
Equipment	Each team should bring its own balls and own caps. Team caps must comply



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	with the WP4 FINA Rule and have numbers 10 cm in height minimum.
Rules and Composition of Team	FINA Masters Water Polo MWP4 and MWP5 apply to this competition.
Periods of the matches	FINA WP11 Rules apply, with the following exceptions: • as for category 30+; 35+; 40+; 45+ each of the four periods shall have the duration of seven minutes of actual play; • as for category 50+; 55+; 60+ and the following ones, each of the four periods shall have the duration of six minutes of actual play; the time of ball possession shall be of 35 seconds.
Team Presentation on the competition field	It is each team's responsibility to be ready for the competition on the assigned competition field at least 15 minutes prior to the expected start time. If a team does not participate in the competition or arrives with a delay of more than five (5) minutes with respect to the expected start time of the competition, victory will be awarded to the opposing team with a score of 5-0. Should the defeat and the relative score of 0-5 represent an advantage for the team in relation to the continuation of the tournament, the Technical Committee reserves the right to change the score in order to nullify any resulting benefit.
Entry deadlines	The entry procedure involves the following deadlines: Team registration (gender, club name and age group) upon payment of the team registration fee by May 15th, 2013. • If less than three (3) teams are registered in an age group, they will be asked to compete in the next youngest age group while maintaining a separate ranking. Teams who do not agree will have their team registration fee reimbursed.
Awards	A maximum of 15 medals, dependent upon the size of the team entered, will be awarded to teams placing 1 st -3 rd in each division.