



2023 Victorian Open Water Championships – Update

Masters Swimming Victoria and Swimming Victoria understand that there have been some questions raised regarding the forecasted weather this weekend and the impact this may have on the running of the Victorian Open Water Championships.

At this stage, the event is planned to go ahead as scheduled on Saturday 9 December as the current forecast is within our safety limits.

The safety of all participants and staff is our primary focus, so if anything changes, we will let you know via email.

Updates for Masters swimmers will also be shared via the [Victorian Open Water event page](#) on the Masters Swimming Victoria website and through social media.

A few reminders:

Water Temperature Requirements

- Below 16 degrees - Event will not occur.
- Below 18 degrees – Wetsuit mandatory
- 18 degrees or above – Wetsuit optional (no separate category for non-wetsuits).

Race start & finish

- In water starts: 5km, 7.5km & 10km.
- On land starts: 500m, 1.25km & 2.5km (the 500m event will be the only event not to go through the finish gantry and will run parallel to the beach).

Competitors for the 2.5km, 5km, 7.5km and 10km **DO NOT need to round the first buoy upon starting (please refer to map [HERE](#)).**

Live Results

- You can access live results throughout the day [HERE](#).

For more information, please refer to the event program [HERE](#).

If you have any questions, please contact the Swimming Victoria events team at events@vic.swimming.org.au.

Here's to a great Victorian Open Water Championships!