12th Annual Cincinnati Para-Swimming Open
May 9 – 10, 2015
University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio

Host:
Enabling Possibilities Foundation, Inc.

Location:
The University of Cincinnati
Keating Aquatic Center
2820 Bearcat Way
Cincinnati, Ohio

Facility:
The competition pool is an eight lane, 50 meter pool facility which is completely accessible. Six lanes will be used for competition (lanes 1-6), with one buffer lane (lane 7) and one lane used for warm up / warm down (lane 8) during the meet.

Parking:
The Woodside Garage (off Martin Luther King Drive) will be used for parking. There is a drop off area adjacent to the pool. (See map below.)

Facility Rules:
Only coaches, swimmers, personal assistants and meet officials with current credentials are permitted on deck.

Eligibility:
All swimmers with a physical impairment ("PI"), visual impairment ("VI") or intellectual impairment ("II") are welcome. Seeding will be based upon time, regardless of sport class. All swimmers will compete together in each event (i.e. multi-disability).

- It is the responsibility of each nation to ensure that the swimmers have the proper documentation to enter the United States. The due date for requests for VISA Support is March 27, 2015.
- Should visas be required, please contact Patrick Cassidy for a letter of support (if necessary) – email: patrick.cassidy@me.com. **PLEASE NOTE: A letter of support for obtaining visas to enter the USA will only be provided AFTER all entries and fees have been received by meet management.**

Classification:
National Classification for PI athletes will be offered for U.S. athletes only at this meet. Classification will be on May 8, 2015 from 9:00a.m. until 6:00p.m.

- Swimmers should enter the meet using their current IPC Swimming sport class(es) (which may be found online at http://www.paralympic.org/swimming) if they have been internationally classified. Swimmers who have been nationally classified can find their current sport class(es) at http://www.teamusa.org/US-Paralympics/Sports/Swimming/Classification.
- If a swimmer has not been previously classified, he/she should enter at his/her estimated classification, and adjustments may be made as necessary following the classification evaluation preceding the competition.
- NO accommodations will be made for specific classification time slots.
- VI athletes who have not been classified prior to this event should contact Queenie Nichols at Queenie.Nichols@usoc.org for information on national classification.
- II athletes who have not been classified prior to this event should contact Barry Holman at barry@athleteswithoutlimits.org for information on national classification.

Transportation:
The nearest airport is the Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport (CVG) which is 15 miles away from the pool. **The meet host is not responsible for transportation, meals, or accommodations for individuals or teams.**

Volunteers:
Volunteers are welcome and can register at: **Cincinnati Para-Swimming Volunteers**

Officials:
Officials who wish to volunteer should contact Meet Referee John Loria at jloria1@aol.com.

Officials Training:
There will be a national (U.S. Paralympics) officials training clinic held in conjunction with this meet. See the link below for more details.

http://www.teamusa.org/US-Paralympics/Sports/Swimming/Events.aspx

Format:
This long course meters competition shall be governed by the most recent International Paralympic Committee (IPC) Swimming technical rules. **This is an IPC Approved Meet.** There will be three timed finals sessions.

Entry Information:
- Swimmers may enter a MAXIMUM of four (4) events per session.
- Entry times must be submitted in the course swum (LCM, SCM, SCY) and will be converted by meet management for seeding purposes.
- No deck entries will be accepted.
- Entries must be submitted online only.
- A maximum of one coach per swimmer is allowed on the deck.
- Deck access for additional coaches and/or Support Staff is at the discretion of meet management and must be a proven need (e.g. tappers, personal care assistants).
- Scratches must be submitted to the Meet Director by Friday, May 8, 2015 at 6:00p.m. A fine of $50 USD will be assessed for any event "no shows" that have not been submitted to the Meet Director by the published scratch deadline.
- *Open Timed Finals are only for athletes who are being classified at the competition and find they are not eligible.*

Entry Fees:
All swimmers will be charged an $80 USD fee to enter the meet, regardless of the number of events they choose to enter. All team staff (i.e. coaches, medical, managers, etc.) will be charged a $15 USD fee per credential.

Entry Deadline:
All entries must be received by April 4, 2015.

Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of meet management, but will be assessed a late fee of $100 USD.

No late entries will be accepted after April 17, 2015

Online Entries Only
Beginning in March 2015. Please see: http://usparalympics.org/sports/summer-paralympic-sports/swimming/events

Pre-Meet Training Times:
The *University of Cincinnati Keating Aquatic Center* will be open for training:
May 8, 2015 8:15a.m. – 2:45p.m. and 5:15p.m. – 8:30p.m.

Registration:
May 8, 2015 1:00p.m. – 3:00p.m.

Technical Meeting:
The technical meeting for all coaches/team managers will be held on May 9, 2015 at 7:30a.m. on the pool deck.

Social:
There is a complimentary social Saturday night (May 9) at the pool immediately after the conclusion of the Saturday evening session. All swimmers, coaches and families are welcome.

Heat Sheets/Awards:
Heat sheets for the meet will be sold at the Spectator Entrance.

Meet Management and Contacts:

Entry Chair:
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Facility Contact:
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Meet Director:
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Meet Referee:
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Anne Lawley
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Friday

Warm-up / Open Training:

8:15a.m. – 2:45p.m. and 5:15p.m. – 8:30p.m.

Classification: ***9a.m.-6p.m.***

Saturday Morning Session

Warm-up 8:00a.m. / Meet Start 9:00a.m.

Women	Event	Men
1	**50m Freestyle** (S1-S14)	**2**
3	**200m Breaststroke** (SB1-SB9, SB11-SB14)	**4**
5	**100m Backstroke** (S1-S14)	**6**
7	**200m Butterfly** (S1-S14)	**8**
9	**150m IM** (SM1-SM4)	**10**
11	**400m Freestyle** (S1-S14)	**12**

Saturday Evening Session

Warm-up 4:00p.m. / Meet Start 5:00p.m.

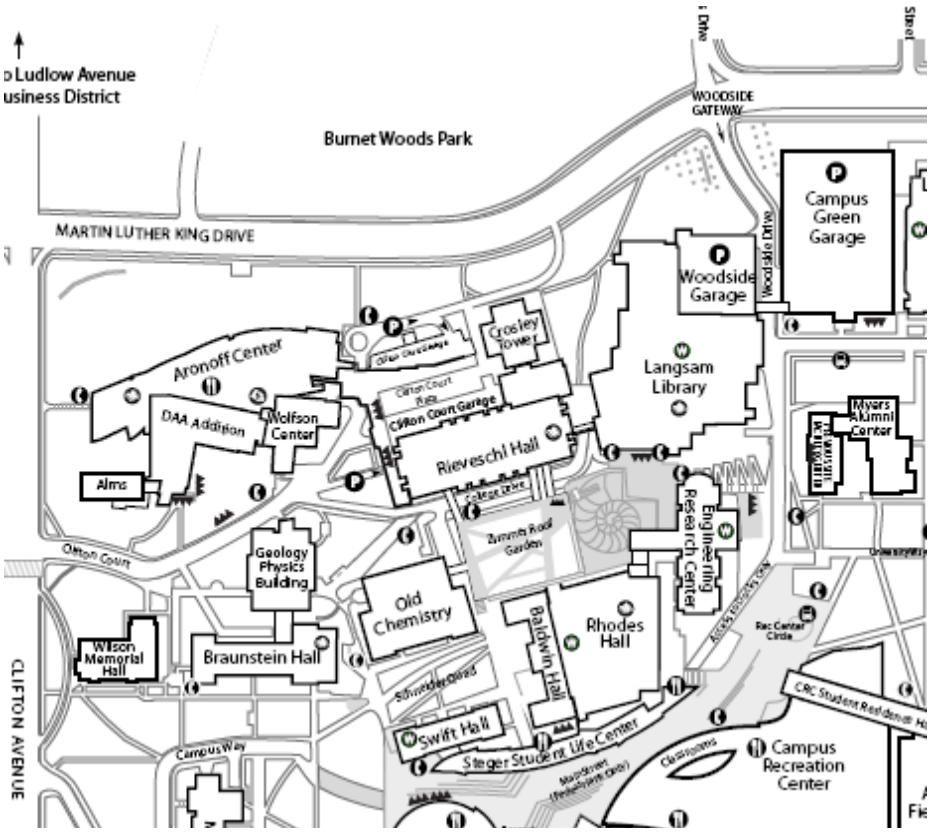
13	**100m Freestyle** (S1-S14)	**14**
15	**200m Backstroke** (S1-S14)	**16**
17	**50m Breaststroke** (SB1-SB9, SB11-SB14)	**18**
19	**100m Butterfly** (S1-S14)	**20**
21	**400m IM** (SM1-SM14)	**22**

Sunday Morning Session

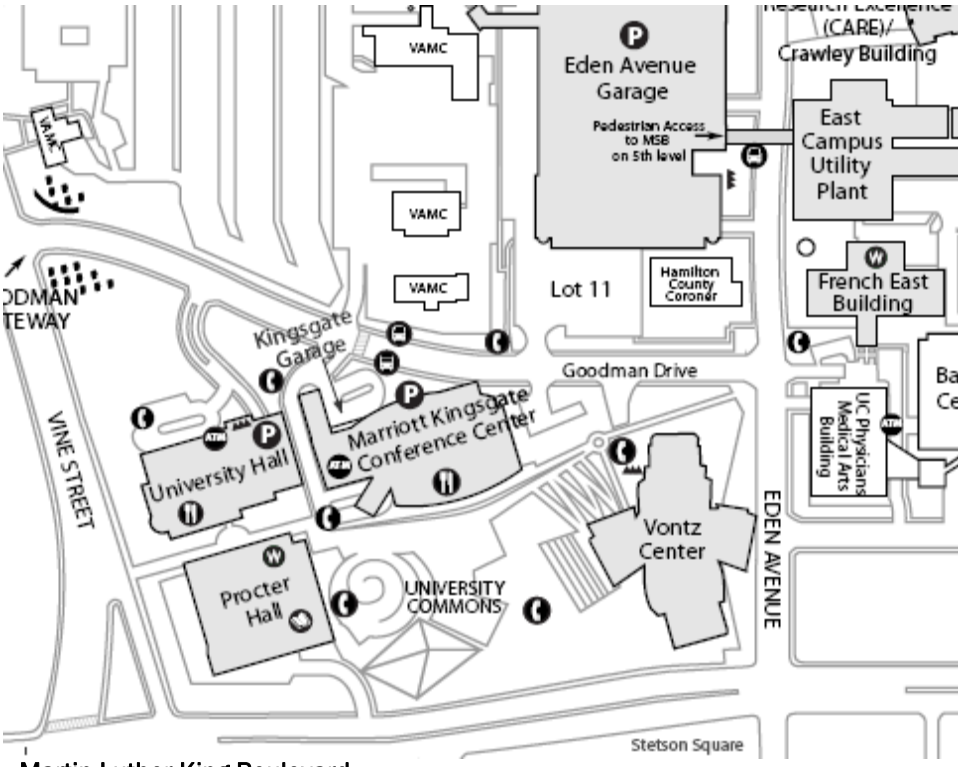
Warm-up 8:00a.m. / Meet Start 9:00a.m.

23	**200m Freestyle** (S1-S14)	**24**
25	**50m Backstroke** (S1-S14)	**26**
27	**100m Breaststroke** (SB1-SB9, SB11-SB14)	**28**
29	**50m Butterfly** (S1-S14)	**30**
31	**200m IM** (SM1-SM14)	**32**
33	**1500m Freestyle (800m Split)** (S1-S14)	**34**

**only open to athletes that have been deemed not eligible during the classification process at this meet*



Woodside Garage and Rec Center Drop-Off Circle



Marriott Kingsgate Conference Hotel (Northeast of pool)

Hotels in the Cincinnati Area

Spring Hill Suites by Marriott North Forrest Park-
12001 Chase Plaza Drive
Cincinnati, Ohio
513-825-9035

Courtyard Cincinnati Blue Ash-
4625 Lake Forrest Drive
Blue Ash, Ohio
513-733-4334

Courtyard Cincinnati Covington
500 West 3rd
Covington, KY
859-491-4000

Kingsgate Marriott*
151 Goodman Drive
Cincinnati, Ohio
513-487-3800

Hampton Inn*
3024 Vine Street
Cincinnati, OH 45219
513-281-2700

Courtyard Cincinnati Midtown/Rookwood
3813 Edwards Road
Cincinnati, OH 45203
513-672-7100

*Hotels closest to Natatorium