

At that time swimmers will be given a swim cap and will be marked with their competitor number along with any other information. All swimmers must check in at the starting location at least 1 hour prior to the scheduled start of the race. All swimmers will be required to attend the final pre-race briefing 15 minutes before the start of the race. Failure to arrive on time for the safety briefing could result in disqualification.

Sign Out – After signing in, any swimmers who do not start or finish the race must sign out with a race official so that a count of swimmers can be maintained.

Seeding – There will be on land start and out of water finish without regard to a swimmer's age or gender.

Awards – Awards will be given through 3rd place by gender and 6 awards. Additional places may be awarded. Door prizes will be available.

Safety – Colored swim caps will be issued to swimmers. Safety support will be coordinated with the State Police Dive Team, 911 emergency service and Myers Lake Property Association. The event Director and event Management have the authority to cancel the event for safety reasons. Updates will be posted on BlueberryOpenWaterSwim.com. Watercraft will be on or adjacent to the prescribed course to ensure the safety of the swimmers. Swimmers will be briefed on all safety aspects before the start of the race. All safety personnel and race officials will be identified by colored t-shirts and swimmers will be advised of their location.

Conditioning – This event is NOT for the uninitiated. This is a full on one mile open water swim in DEEP water. You need to be in good physical shape to consider participating. If you are not able to comfortably swim one mile in a pool in under 45 minutes do not attempt this event.

Procedures – Swimmers are required to wear the cap provided. Any swimmer refusing to wear the cap provided at any time during the warm-up, competition or cool-down will be disqualified.

Pre-Race Safety Briefing – 15 minutes prior, there will be a mandatory pre-race briefing held before competition begins to discuss the course, rules and safety procedures. All swimmers must check in at the ending location at least 1 hour prior to the scheduled start of the race. Swimmers will be transported to the beginning location via watercraft so they may view the course prior to the race. All swimmers will be required to attend the final pre-race briefing 15 minutes before the start of the race. Failure to arrive on time for the briefing could result in disqualification.

Course Patrol – There will be an area specifically marked for warm-up and cool-down.

In Swim Situation Contact Is Reasonable – Swimmers shall maintain clearance from other swimmers except where the course or race conditions dictate otherwise. *Parents and swimmers should be advised that if there are a significant number of entrants, open water swimming may be expected to involve inadvertent contact with other swimmers. It is important that swimmers keep a cool head while in the water.*

Disputes / Appeals – *The event is going to be safe, competitive, fair and lightweight. Speak with the race director if you have a dispute.*