



Top 9 Reasons to Play WATER POLO

- 1. Meet and mingle with 10,000 athletes and artists at the world's largest sporting event open to all**
- 2. Be one of 200-plus water polo competitors expected**
- 3. Compete at Veale Natatorium on Case Western Reserve University campus**
- 4. Compete at the last Gay Games in North America until at least 2022**
- 5. Watch racquetball and squash on campus too**
- 6. Rock out the Closing Ceremony at Rock and Roll Hall of Fame**
- 7. Enjoy playing in Cleveland's cultural hub - University Circle**
- 8. Join biggest LGBT sports party held every 4 years**
- 9. Teach the sports world a lesson in inclusion - in welcoming pools!**

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Water Polo FAQ

When?

Games Week: 9-16 August 2014

Water Polo: 11-15 August 2014 between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Where?

Veale Natatorium, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland

What about transportation?

Case Western Reserve University is accessible through public transportation. Gay Games participants receive a public transportation pass as part of their general registration. Shuttle service between central points in Akron and Cleveland also will be available.

How will the tournament be run?

No more than 20 teams may compete. A team must have at least 7 but no more than 20 players, including two goalkeepers.

Players can register to play for only one team. Exception: Women competing in the women's division may also compete in the open division.

All participants must be currently registered in accordance with the regulations governing masters swimming in their country.

Teams are guaranteed a minimum of 5 games. Each team will play no more than 2 games each day.

The tournament run under the rules for USA Water Polo, the Fédération Internationale de Natation and follow recommendations of International Gay and Lesbian Aquatics.

How does a team register?

The team captain registers the team through GG9CLE.com/registration by creating a Team Code that can be shared with all prospective teammates. A team member must use that code when he or she completes the general and water polo registration process or return to the site later to add the team code.

General registration is \$195 per participant before 31 May 2014. Upon completion, each participant can register for a specific sport. The fee for water polo is \$60 before 15 January 2014 and increases to \$70 on 15 January.

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Divisions

The 2014 Gay Games Water Polo tournament will have one "Open" division for men, women or mixed teams.

It will also have a Women's Division as long as more than three women-only teams register. Women may register for both the Open Division and the Women's Division.

Duration of play:

Warmup: 15 minutes

4 periods of 6 minutes each

2-minute intervals

between first two periods

5-minute interval

before fourth period

Ball possession: 35 seconds