

UIPM 2019 Biathle-Triathle Run World Championships

Saint Petersburg, Florida, USA

23 - 27 October 2019

INVITATION LETTER

Dear Friends,

The UIPM – Union Internationale de Pentathlon Moderne, together with USA Pentathlon (USAP), has the pleasure to invite a delegation of your National Federation to participate in the UIPM 2019 Biathle-Triathle World Championships that will be held in **St. Petersburg, Florida (USA)** from the **23rd to the 27th October 2019** according to the following programme:

PROGRAMME (all times to be confirmed)			
Tuesday	Arrival of Delegations		
22nd October	12:00-18:00	Accreditation at the LOC office	Hotel Hyatt Place
Wednesday	Arrival of Delegations		
23rd October	All day	Accreditation at the LOC office	Hotel Hyatt Place
	15:00-18:00	Training at the competition venue	Albert Whitted Park
	20:00	Technical meeting – Relays. - Coach meet and greet.	Hotel Hyatt Place
Thursday	Biathle Mixed Relay Competition Day		
24th October	9:00	Race briefing	Albert Whitted Park
	10:00	Start of the 1 st race	Albert Whitted Park
	TBC	Opening Ceremony	Albert Whitted Park
Friday	Triathle Mixed Relay Competition Day		
25th October	9:00	Race briefing	Albert Whitted Park
	10:00	Start of the 1 st race	Albert Whitted Park
	18:00	Technical meeting – Individuals	Hotel Hyatt Place
Saturday	Triathle Individual Competition Day		
26th October	8:00	Race briefing	Albert Whitted Park
	9:00	Start of the 1 st race	Albert Whitted Park
	20:00	Championship party	Hotel Hyatt Place
Sunday	Biathle Individual Competition Day		
27th October	8:00	Race briefing	Albert Whitted Park
	8:30	Start of the 1 st race	Albert Whitted Park
	TBC	Closing Ceremony	Albert Whitted Park
Monday	Departure of Delegations		
28th October			

* For the Triathle competition, there will be a dedicated warm up area for shooting.

Competition rules:

The competition will be carried out according to the UIPM competition rules and relevant guidelines:

- Running: Mixed surface – Asphalt street and grass
- Swimming: Saltwater Marina



- Shooting: 50 Hit & Miss homologated targets, including competition (26) and warming (24) up areas. Athletes may bring their own targets and use them for warming up purposes if they would like to.

Notes:

- 1) There will be qualification rounds depending on the number of registered participants in each age categories. If qualification rounds are required for any age category, there will be heats in the morning then finals at the end of the day.
- 2) Categories and distances will follow UIPM rules:
(https://www.uipmworld.org/sites/default/files/biathle_triathle_rules_2018_v2.pdf)
- 3) Delegations can enter an unlimited number of athletes
- 4) The access to the competition will be strictly regulated by the accreditation system, including the access for coaches to the warmup zone. NFs can register in the Portal only 1 coach for every 8 athletes (e.g. NF with 6 athletes = 1 coach accredited; NF with 10 athletes = 2 coaches accredited).

Competition venue:

The competitions are scheduled to occur at the Albert Whitted Park in St. Petersburg, Florida. Information and venue maps will be sent to all nations by email.

Competition clothing:

Athletes should wear a one or two-piece suit. In all cases, the upper body part must be covered. The nationality of the athlete must be identified on the suit (Either name of the country in full or 3-letters country code). Footwear must not be worn in swimming but must be worn when running.

Accommodation:

All athletes and members of attending delegations are responsible for booking their own accommodations. To assist you with reservations and to provide group packages for hotels, please send an email to info@bitriworldchampionship.com

The official hotel where Accreditation office will be, and Technical Meetings will be organized is the Hyatt Place, 25 2nd St. North St. Petersburg, FL – Tel. +1 (727) 220-0950

List of nearby hotels:

- **Hyatt Place – (Host Hotel)**, 25 2nd St. North St. Petersburg, FL. - Tel. +1 (727) 220-0950
<https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/hotel/florida/hyatt-place-st-petersburg-downtown/piezd>
- **Staybridge Suite**, 940 5th Ave. S. St. Petersburg, FL. - Tel. +1 (727) 821-0777
<https://www.ihg.com/staybridge/hotels/us/en/st-petersburg/piesb/hoteldetail>
- **Hampton Inn**, 80 Beach Dr. NE. St. Petersburg, FL. - Tel. +1 (727) 892-9900 -
https://hamptoninn3.hilton.com/en/hotels/florida/hampton-inn-and-suites-st-petersburg-downtown-PIEHSX/index.html?SEO_id=GMB-HP-PIEHSX

People who booked through info@bitriworldchampionship.com AND are staying in the LOC rooms reserved for participants at these 3 main hotels will get free entrance to the Championship Party organized by the LOC on Sunday 27th. Others will pay 20 USD per person.



Transport:

Airports distance:

St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport: (14.5 km away from the event location = 15 min. by bus);

Tampa International Airport: (35 km away from the event location = 30 min. by bus); Orlando International Airport: (200 km away from the event location = 2 hours by bus).

LOC can provide upon request and applicable charges transport to/from all hotels listed above in the invitation will be included upon request by sending an email ASAP to

info@bitriworldchampionship.com

Financial conditions:

National Federations can register their athletes to 4 different events: Biathlon and Triathlon individuals, Biathlon and Triathlon Mixed Relays.

Entry fees, per person:

- 1 event: 85 EUR – 95 USD
- 2 events: 125 EUR – 140 USD
- 3 events: 160 EUR – 180 USD
- 4 events: 200 EUR – 225 USD

Registration process and payments must be done from 01st July, as follows:

- Via UIPM NF Portal (National Federations are responsible for this)

Championship Party:

Championship Party - \$20.00 USD (Free entrance for the people who booked through info@bitriworldchampionship.com AND are staying in the LOC rooms reserved for participants at these 3 main hotels: Hyatt Place, Staybridge Suite and Hampton Inn)

Please Register for the Championship Party by registering here "[Championship Party](#)". If you have any questions, please contact Kevin Montford (kmontford@usapentathlon.org/ +1.719.466.9162).

If you booked your hotel through info@bitriworldchampionship.com AND are staying in the LOC rooms reserved for participants at the 3 main hotels: Hyatt Place, Staybridge Suite and Hampton Inn, you don't need to register for the Championship Party as you will get a free ticket automatically.

Deadlines:

Registrations close on 1st October 2019.

Athletes Licenses:

It is reminded that all athletes must have an UIPM ID number in order to be registered, if some of them don't have the ID yet, the process is for the NF to add them through your NF portal.

Insurance:

According to UIPM Rules all members of attending delegations should insure themselves in case of accidental injury or illness. The organizer will not accept any responsibility financial or other, for any loss, injury or illness of any member of the delegation.

Visas & vaccinations:

Visiting NFs should confirm visa and vaccination requirements for entry into USA prior travelling to the event. The LOC cannot accept responsibility for arranging visas but can provide specific letters of invitation if needed. **Please begin the process of securing your**



travel visas for entry into the United States, by applying directly at the U.S. Embassy or Consulate closest to you. Please note that all team/delegation members will need to file individual applications, and that while all may be processed as a delegation, each member will need to apply personally at the U.S. Embassy/Consulate. To personalize the visa letter, please email us names and passport information for every member of your delegation. Typically, part of the application process also requires that each person schedules an appointment to appear in person for an interview with the Consular Officer. In order to ensure that the application process is as efficient as possible, please ensure that each member of the delegation carries a copy of this letter to the interview date, and to present to the U.S. Customs official when they enter the United States.

Laser Pistols:

Firearms licenses are not a legal requirement when bringing laser, air and CO2 pistols into USA for competition purposes.

General information:

- All athletes are kindly requested to wear their official national uniform at the competition.
- Please also bring a track of your national anthem and a national flag (192 ×128cm).
- St. Petersburg, Florida has sunny days and nice weather.
- Average temperature in October: weather 29°/19°; sea water 28°C.
- Voltage: 120 V
- Bi/Tri World Championship information: <http://bitriworldchampionship.com/>
- St. Petersburg web page: <http://www.stpete.org/>

Tourism page : <https://www.visitflorida.com/en-us/cities/st-petersburg.html>

Official hashtags of the competitions are #UIPMBiathlonWCH and #UIPMTriathlonWCH. Please advise your athletes to use it in social media while posting photos related to the competition.

LOC contact details

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We look forward to seeing you in St. Petersburg, Florida!

Best regards,

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