

## 2012 MATE International ROV Competition HOUSING INFORMATION

The MATE Center is very excited this year to offer a block of rooms at the **Wyndham Orlando Resort on International Drive**. This is a fantastic property that is providing excellent facilities to our group, including the exclusive use of a swimming pool Wednesday, June 20<sup>th</sup> from 8am-6pm and Thursday, June 21<sup>st</sup> from 8am-12pm for teams to test their ROVs. Our Thursday evening kick-off reception will be held in a ballroom at this hotel.

In addition, MATE has contracted with two other properties nearby: **the Ramada Convention Center – I Drive** and **LA Quinta Inn Orlando International Drive**. These hotels are all located within a few minutes walking distance of the competition site at the **YMCA Aquatic & Family Center**, 8422 International Drive, Orlando.

All of the hotels are also located near convenience stores, restaurants, shopping, and entertainment. There is an extensive choice of dining options within easy walking distance. Home Depot is 6 miles away and the closest Radio Shack is 4.5 miles (see below).

Due to the proximity of the hotels to the competition site, the **MATE Center will NOT provide shuttle service to/from the hotels and the YMCA**. For those staying at the Wyndham Orlando Resort, the competition headquarters, we will provide a shuttle for the teams that may need assistance transporting their ROVs to the YMCA. Transportation to/from area airports is at your team's expense.

**Each hotel below requires that you call them directly to receive the special MATE group rates and reservations! Also, each of the hotels will currently only take reservations for our group from 9:00am-5:00pm Eastern Standard Time. Please make certain that you are speaking directly to the hotel and not to a national call center. Finally, if you are planning to come in to Orlando and stay at one of these properties earlier than June 20<sup>th</sup>, please ask for the June 20<sup>th</sup> MATE block and then specify that you would like the rate honored for up to 3 days prior or 3 days after the event.**



### Wyndham Orlando Resort

8001 International Dr | Orlando, Florida 32819 | United States | 407-351-2420 | [Map](#)

[Wyndham Orlando Resort Web link](#)

**Group reservations department is 1-800-421-8001 or  
1-407-351-2420 Specify: MATE ROV Competition**

Welcome to the Wyndham Orlando Resort on International Drive, an idyllic tropical paradise in the heart of the world's most popular vacation destination. Enjoy lush gardens and romantic lagoons beside a city of adventure while staying at Wyndham Orlando Resort.

### **MATE Competition Headquarters**

#### **Special MATE rate \$69.00 Single/Double/Triple/Quad Occupancy**

\*Rates are subject to current state and occupancy tax

**Group rates will be offered three (3) days prior to and three (3) days following the event based on availability. Please ask for the June 20<sup>th</sup> MATE block.**

**Rate includes a discounted breakfast buffet at \$10.00pp inclusive.** This is a full hot American breakfast buffet served in a beautiful restaurant on-site. Breakfast offers many choices, including an omelet station and ethnic selections. Also included in this rate are:

- Health club access
- Pool concierge services
- Complimentary wireless internet
- No charge for local phone calls
- No charge for use of in-room safe
- Waived 800# access
- In-room coffee and tea

**Book by May 25<sup>th</sup> and specify MATE ROV Competition Block to reserve your room at this group rate!**



**International Drive  
8300 Jamaican Court  
Orlando, FL 32819  
Phone: 407-351-1660**

[La Quinta Inn International Drive Website](#)

**Group reservations department is 1-407-351-1660 Specify: MATE ROV Competition Block, Group #504, Melissa Thompson, Reservations Manager, La Quinta Inn I-Drive**

**Special MATE rate 62.10 USD/Night - Standard Room Rate**

**Special MATE rate 72.10 USD/Night - Deluxe Room Rate** (microwave and refrigerator included)

**Singles/Doubles/Triple or Quad Occupancy**

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**Group rates will be offered three (3) days prior to and three (3) days following the event based on availability. Please ask for the June 20<sup>th</sup> MATE block.**

Rate includes: a complimentary continental breakfast (Belgium waffles, cereals, hard boiled eggs, fruit, bagels, etc, juice, milk, coffee); free local calls, in-room Internet, and data port. Rooms feature a coffee maker, iron/ironing board, hair dryer, and an oversized desk.

**Book by May 21st and specify MATE ROV Competition Block to reserve your room at this group rate!**



8342 Jamaican Court Orlando Florida 32819  
Ph. 407-363-1944 Fax 407-363-4844  
[Ramada-idrive.com](http://Ramada-idrive.com) [Web link](#)

**Call the hotel directly at 1-407-363-1944 Specify: MATE ROV Competition Block.  
Ask for Marta Ferreira, Group Sales Manager, or contact Group reservations department  
at 1-800-854-9517**

**Special MATE rate 69.00 USD/Night for Singles/Doubles/Triple or Quad Occupancy**

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**Group rates will be offered three (3) days prior to and three (3) days following the event based on availability. Please ask for the June 20<sup>th</sup> MATE block.**

Rate includes a complimentary hot breakfast buffet, complimentary wireless Internet, and a microwave and refrigerator in every room.

**Book by May 20<sup>th</sup> and specify MATE ROV Competition to reserve your room at this rate!**

## **OTHER HOTEL OPTIONS**

**Other hotels that are very near the YMCA site are listed below (the last three are within easy walking distance):**

- **Lexington Suites Orlando near Universal**  
7400 Canada Avenue  
Orlando, FL 32819  
407-264-7902 Direct Phone, **Rebecca McCollum**

**Mention MATE ROV Competition**  
Lexington Suites offers rates  
comparable to the \$69.00 rates at  
the contracted hotels.

[RAMcCollumLexington@yahoo.com](mailto:RAMcCollumLexington@yahoo.com)  
[www.lexingtonhotelorlando.com](http://www.lexingtonhotelorlando.com)

- **Staybridge Suites**  
8480 International Drive ♦ Orlando, FL 32819  
Hotel Front Desk: 1-407-3522400  
[Staybridge Suites Web Link](#)
- **Embassy Suites**  
8978 International Drive, Orlando, FL 32819  
(407) 352-1400 (800) 321-3232  
[embassysuites.com](http://embassysuites.com)
- **Radisson Hotel Orlando - International Drive**  
8444 International Drive, Orlando, FL 32819  
(407) 345-0505  
[radisson.com](http://radisson.com)

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION/REMINDERS:**

1. **Your team is responsible for making your own reservations and for all housing expenses.**

The above rates are quoted per room, per night and do not include applicable tax, which is currently 12.5%. Individuals will be responsible for room & tax as well as all incidental charges. Payment and a valid ID are required at check in. Note that all three of the contracted hotels have extended their rates for MATE teams for three days before and three days after the competition, subject to availability, to allow for extended stays.

**Please also note that the above contracted hotels will be releasing any unconfirmed/unreserved rooms, which are held for MATE, between May 20<sup>th</sup> and May 25<sup>th</sup> depending on the hotel. Rooms will be assigned on a first come, first serve basis.**

2. **Be sure to specify which school you are with when making your hotel reservation.**
3. Please contact Kathryn Loomis at [kaloomis1@gmail.com](mailto:kaloomis1@gmail.com) if you have special **dietary needs** or **disabilities** that require accommodations. Also contact Kathryn if you have any difficulties booking your room.

**MATE encourages you to reserve your housing needs as soon as possible!**