

2019 SWEETHEART INVITE

FEBRUARY 1-3

All USA-S entries shall be submitted using a USA-S approved Standard Database Interchangeable Format (SDIF) electronic file. The SDIF file must be received, via email to the Entry Contact, by midnight Thursday, January 24, 2019 .					
SANCTION	Under sanction #AK-201819-?? by USA Swimming and Alaska Swimming. Under sanction #?? by Alaska Masters for USMS, Inc.				
LOCATION	Hamme Pool 901 Airport Way Fairbanks, AK 99701				
FACILITY	Six (6) lane, 25 yard competition pool, divided by Flo-thru lane lines. CTS6 timing system with touch pads, DisplayLink scoreboard, CTS Dolphin back-up watches, and horn/strobe light start. Pool depth is 4.5 feet at start end and 3.5 feet at turn end. USA-S: The competition course has been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4). The copy of such certification is on file with USA Swimming. USMS: The length of the competition course is in compliance and on file with USMS in accordance with articles 105.1.7 and 107.2.1.				
EVENT PERSONNEL	<p>Meet Referee: Warren Lucero 907-750-2186 Email: warren.lucero@tananachiefs.org</p> <p>Admin Referee: Diane Beshears 907-388-0295 Email: dbeshears@pavingproductsalaska.com</p> <p>Meet Director: Joanna Fox 907-978-2516 Email: joanna@gci.net</p> <p>Entry Chair: Josh Gregory 970-689-1407 Email: coachjosh@aksst.com</p>				
SCHEDULE		Friday	Saturday AM	Saturday PM	Sunday
	11&O/Advanced Warm UP (all lanes)	4:30-5:10p	9:00-9:25a	3:00-3:40p	9:00-9:25a
	10&U/Novice Warm Up (all lanes)	4:30-5:10p	9:25-9:40a	Na	9:25-9:40a
	Pace (1-2) – Sprint (3-4) – General (5-6) Warm Up	5:10-5:20p	9:40-9:50a	3:40-3:50p	9:40-9:50a
	Official's Meeting	5:00p	9:30a	3:30p	9:30a
	Coach's Meeting	5:20p	As needed	As needed	As needed
	Competition	5:30p	10:00a	4:00p	10:00a
	*PROJECTED TIMELINE: will be established and distributed by Wednesday, January 30, along with the heat/lane assignment report.				
FORMAT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This meet will be conducted in SCY All events are timed finals, pre-seeded with heats swum FASTEST TO SLOWEST. Diving well will be open for continuous warm up/down. Positive check-in due thirty (30) minutes prior to respective session start time Dual Sanctioned: USMS will compete on Saturday afternoon only. Must be current USMS member and sign liability waiver (appendix B). 				

RULES	This meet will be run according to USA Swimming/US Masters Swimming/Alaska Swimming/Northern Area Swimming rules and regulations. No glass on deck at any time. No shaving allowed on site. Smoking or use of other tobacco products in not permitted before, during or after the meet within the facility or adjacent outdoor areas. No food allowed on deck.
ELIGIBILITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • USA-S Athletes: Open to all USA-S registered swimmers. <i>Post high-school athletes may compete as exhibition only.</i> • USMS Athletes: Open to all USMS registered swimmers. <i>Must complete liability waiver.</i>
USA SWIMMING ENTRY RULES	<p>SDIF REQUIRED: All entries shall be submitted using a USA Swimming approved Standard Database Interchangeable Format (SDIF) electronic file</p> <p>ENTRIES MUST INCLUDE: Full legal name, age, USA-S Registration number</p> <p>AGE: Swimmer's age on the first day of the meet determines age group for the entire competition.</p> <p>DECK ENTRIES: Deck entries will not be accepted.</p> <p>DIVE START CERTIFICATION: Any swimmer entered in the meet must be certified by a USA Swimming member-coach as being proficient in performing a racing start or must start each race from within the water. When unaccompanied by a member coach, it is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement.</p>
US MASTERS SWIMMING ENTRY RULES	ENTRY FORM: Masters must complete the entry form in Appendix B below and sign the liability waiver. Current USMS membership will be verified prior to competition. Entry times may be estimated. USMS entry forms must be emailed to the entry contact by the entry deadline. Deck entries will not be accepted and meet fees are non-refundable.
ENTRY LIMITS	Three (3) individual events and one (1) relay event per session, seven (7) individual events total. Swimmers will not be guaranteed twenty minutes between events.
ENTRY DEADLINE AND SUBMISSION	<p>ENTRY DEADLINE: Midnight on Thursday, January 24, 2019. Late entries will not be accepted.</p> <p>MEET ENTRY CONTACT: Josh Gregory Email: coachjosh@aksst.com Phone: 970-689-1407</p>
ADAPTIVE SWIMMERS	Disabled or adapted swimmers are welcome and encouraged to participate. Coaches should include a written description of the special needs of the disables/adaptive swimmer with team entries. Questions regarding final assignment within specified heats should be brought to the attention of the Meet Referee.
INCLUDE WITH TEAM ENTRY	Team Entry Report and Team Fees Report
ENTRY FEES	<p>INDIVIDUAL EVENT: \$3.00 RELAY EVENT: \$6.00 ATHLETE SURCHARGE: \$20.00</p> <p>Please make checks payable to: Stingray Swim Team Deliver fees to computer table during meet, or mail to: PO Bo 72301, Fairbanks, AK 99707. Meet fees are non-refundable.</p>
DECK ACCESS AND CREDENTIALS	Closed deck. Athletes, coaches and volunteers only. Coaches must supply computer table with current credentials prior to competition, Deck Pass app will suffice. Per ASI rules, swimmers may not be allowed to swim in the meet until this requirement is met.

SCRATCHES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Individual scratch rules for events will be in effect as stated in the 2018-2019 ASI Rules and Regulations (article 3.A.9) A swimmer will be considered entered unless his/her coach has officially scratched him/her from the event. Scratches shall be made at the Clerk of Course on the provided scratch sheet.
RELAYS	Mixed relays must consist of two (2) females and two (2) males to place and score. Any other combination of genders will swim exhibition only.
WARM UPS	Warm up and warm down procedures will be enforced in accordance with ASI 2018-2019 Rules and Regulations.
LIABILITY	It is understood and agreed that USA Swimming, USMS and Stingray Swim Team shall be free from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event.
SCORING	<i>Results separated by age group & gender</i> AGE GROUPS: 10&U, 11-12, 13-14, 15&O, Masters Age Groups INDIVIDUAL: 7-5-4-3-2-1 RELAY: 14-10-8-6-4-2 *Masters scores will be kept for their LMSC Workout Group (or AKMS if no Workout Group is specified) and will not count toward any USA-S team.
AWARDS	<i>Results separated by age group & gender</i> AGE GROUPS: 10&U, 11-12, 13-14, 15&O (no awards for Masters) INDIVIDUAL: Ribbons 1 st -6 th RELAY: Ribbons 1 st -3 rd High Point: Trophy 1 st – 3 rd
TIME TRIALS	Time trials will not be offered
CONCESSIONS	A concession stand will be offered
HOSPITALITY	Hospitality will be offered for coaches and volunteers only
TIMERS	SST will provide all timers
MEET PROGRAMS AND RESULTS	Coach's heat sheet will be available at the beginning of warm ups. Live results will be available on Meet Mobile and the NA website. Final results will be posted on NA and ASI websites.
DECK CHANGING	Deck Changes are prohibited.
RECORDING BAN	Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms. Visual recording devices are not permitted behind the blocks during the start sequence throughout the meet.
DRONES	Operation of a drone, or any other flying apparatus, is prohibited over the venue (pools, athlete/coach areas, spectator areas and open-ceiling locker rooms) any time athletes, coaches, officials, and/or spectators are present.
FIRST RESPONDERS	Coaches are to be the first responders in case of emergency. Borough lifeguards will be present to assist coaches and active the facility's Emergency Action Plan as needed.

EVENT SCHEDULE

FRIDAY EVENING

MIXED EVENT #	EVENT
1	12&U 200 MED RELAY
2	12&U 50 BK
3	11-12 200 BK
4	12&U 50 BR
5	11-12 200 BR
6	12&U 50 FL
7	11-12 200 FL
8	12&U 50 FR

SATURDAY MORNING

MIXED EVENT #	EVENT
9	12&U 200 FR RELAY
10	OPEN 500 FR*
11	12&U 100 BR
12	13&O 200 BR
13	12&U 100 FR
14	13&O 200 FR
15	12&U 100 IM
16	11&O 1,000 FR*

*positive check in due by 9:30am

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

MIXED EVENT #	EVENT
17	13&O/Masters 200 MED RELAY
18	13&O 100 BK
19	Masters 50 BK
20	13&O 100 BR
21	Masters 50 BR
22	13&O 100 FL
23	Masters 50 FL
24	13&O 100 FR
25	Masters 100 FR
26	13&O 200 IM
27	Masters 50 FR

SUNDAY MORNING

MIXED EVENT #	EVENT
28	13&O 200 FR RELAY
29	11&O 400 IM*
30	12&U 100 BK
31	13&O 200 BK
32	12&U 100 FL
33	13&O 200 FL
34	12&U 200 IM
35	13&O 50 FR
36	12&U 200 FR
37	11&O 1,650 FR*

*positive check in due by 9:30am

APPENDIX A

Swim Meet Warm-up/Warm-down Procedures

I. RULES FOR GENERAL WARM-UP

A. Overview

1. The accepted method for entering the water is one hand on the wall, feet first, from the end of the pool. At no time should the athlete enter the water head -first unless starts are being directly supervised by their coach.
2. All swimming should be done in a counter-clockwise swimming direction.
3. No equipment including, but not limited to, paddles, pull buoys, fins, assisted or resisted cords and/or similar such devices that could result in injuries to swimmers.

II. GENERAL WARM-UP PERIOD

A. Overview

1. *Recommended* for first 30 – 45 min. of the warm-up session.
2. NO DIVING... Swimmers must enter the water using the accepted pool entry method.
3. No sprinting or pace work.
4. All lanes will be used for general warm-up.

III. SPECIFIC WARM-UP PERIOD

A. Overview

1. *Recommended* for last 30-45 minutes of the warm-up session.
2. Push pace lanes: Push-off one or two lengths from the starting end, circle swimming only (counter-clockwise). NO DIVING...Swimmers must enter the water using the accepted pool entry method.
3. Racing starts: Sprint lanes for race starts from blocks, sides, or from in the water (as for backstroke). Starts initiated from coach's signal.
4. The meet referee or designee will post team assigned lanes for warm-ups.

APPENDIX B
USMS MEET ENTRIES AND LIABILITY WAIVER

Athlete Name _____

Athlete Age _____

USMS ID# _____

LMSC _____

Workout Group _____

Entries: (Max three (3) individual and one (1) relay event.)

EVENT #	EVENT	TIME (can be estimate)

Liability Waiver:

I, the undersigned participant, intending to be legally bound, hereby certify that I am physically fit and have not been otherwise informed by a physician. I acknowledge that I am aware of all the risks inherent in Masters swimming (training and competition), including possible permanent disability or death, and agree to assume all of those risks. AS A CONDITION OF MY PARTICIPATION IN THE MASTERS SWIMMING PROGRAM OR ANY ACTIVITIES INCIDENT THERETO, I HEREBY WAIVE ANY AND ALL RIGHTS TO CLAIMS FOR LOSS OR DAMAGES, INCLUDING ALL CLAIMS FOR LOSS OR DAMAGES CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE, ACTIVE OR PASSIVE, OF THE FOLLOWING: UNITED STATES MASTERS SWIMMING, INC., THE LOCAL MASTERS SWIMMING COMMITTEES, THE CLUBS, HOST FACILITIES, MEET SPONSORS, MEET COMMITTEES, OR ANY INDIVIDUALS OFFICIATING AT THE MEETS OR SUPERVISING SUCH ACTIVITIES. In addition, I agree to abide by and be governed by the rules of USMS. (Rule book article 204.1)

Athlete Signature _____ Date _____