VICTORY AQUATICS Swim Meet Policy

SWIM MEETS

Swim meets are a part of competitive swimming. Some meets include everyone, some meets have qualifying time requirements. Some meets are for beginners and some meets are for the faster swimmers. Some meets are close, some meets require travel. Younger swimmers usually compete in the morning, older swimmers usually compete in the afternoon. All swimmers in the Age Group Development roster group and above are expected to take part in this most exciting aspect of competitive swimming. Our head coach, and/or meet manager, sends e-mails when new meets are put on the calendar, a reminder e-mail when deadlines are approaching, and entry information via e-mail when he/she enters committed swimmers into their appropriate events. Parents are expected to go on-line and accept or decline each swim meet. Attendance at swim meets is a requirement for moving up. Each group above Novice has a swim meet attendance requirement. Meet attendance requirements are defined as part of the Group Descriptions.

Meet Fees and Registration

There are fees required for each competition that your swimmer enters. Fees vary from meet to meet. You must go on-line to commit your swimmer for the meet PRIOR to the entry deadline. You may enter the swimmer in events or the coach will enter the swimmer in the races the coach believes is best suited to the ability of the swimmer and that will challenge and develop the swimmer. The meet manager will then send out, via e-mail, a list of races to parents for review. Victory Aquatics Swim Team sends meet fees in with the swim meet entry prior to the event. Once the entries have been submitted, swimmers accounts will be billed whether the swimmer attends the meet or not. To help us cover the cost of sending our coaches to the meet a \$10 per family surcharge will be added to the account.

Once submitted **Meet fees are non-refundable for any reason**

Swim meet relays. Most relays are deck entered based on the swimmers attending the meet. If a swimmer shows up at the meet and leaves without checking to see if they are on a relay they deprive the other relay swimmers the opportunity to participate in the most exciting events of the meet. Relay fees are paid when the coach submits the relay entry cards. If a swimmer no-shows the relay the account will be billed for the entire relay. The account will also be assessed a \$50 Relay No Show fee.

Meet Responsibilities

Just prior to the event the meet manager will send out event sheets and warm up times via <u>e-mail</u>. Swimmers are expected to be in the team area at least 15 minutes prior to warm up.

Timing chairs are a privilege and a mandatory obligation of each team attending the meet. The host team assigns timing chairs based on the number of swimmers attending the meet. As a team we are expected to fill the chairs assigned to us. A couple of days prior to the event our service hour admin will send out an **e-mail** notification with a link to job sign-up (E-Z set-up, timing chairs, E-Z up breakdown) on the event web page. Please sign-up for the time(s) most convenient for you. Chairs and set-up/breakdown jobs not filled as of the Thursday/Friday night preceding the event will be assigned by the service hour admin. Victory will not award service hours for the coming season. **Families assigned to chairs may be assessed a \$50 penalty for not fulfilling or finding someone to fulfill their assigned time.**

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