Wisconsin Swimming Flex Meet Plan

Approved by Technical Planning Committee and effective until 12/31/2021.
Wisconsin Swimming's Board of Directors have the authority to terminate this plan at any time.

Authority and Responsibility for Implementation:
Wisconsin Swimming Technical Planning Committee & Staff Liaison, Jeanne Drzewiecki.

Basic guiding principle:
To provide a nimble plan that will allow the LSC to sanction safe competitions as it becomes appropriate to do so, with an emphasis on creating competitive opportunities for athletes. Wisconsin Swimming wants to create the most flexibility while maintaining orderly and safe sanctioning of competitions.

Provisions of this Flex Meet Plan, and decisions of the Technical Planning Committee, will prevail where it contradicts current LSC Policies and Procedures. A meet host or member club may appeal any decision of the Wisconsin Swimming Technical Planning committee to the Board of Directors. Timely resolution of appeals will be achieved by utilizing email voting of the Board of Directors.

USA Swimming orders will also supersede anything in this plan and will be deemed as immediately effective and implemented in the LSC under this plan upon receipt.

General Provisions:
- Fall & Winter 2021-2022 Meet Schedule will be a "tentative" or "pro forma" schedule.
  - The dates of the meet schedule are what are being accepted, with the meet format up for change based on ever-changing restrictions.
- Meets on the official fall/winter schedule should have a "first draft" of a sanctionable meet information submitted within 45 days of the start of competition.
- Changes in dates, sites, format, or **fees/surcharges** can be made within the 45-day sanction window, without penalty up to 10 days prior to the meet.
- Meets not on the original schedule should have meet information sanctioned within 14 days of the start of competition.
- Changes in date to existing meets do **not** require permission from neighboring clubs. Creating a new meet would require permission.
- Once inside the 10 day window prior to the start of the meet, changes made by the host must be approved by the meet committee (set up by the meet referee, based on teams attending)
- The first draft should include a COVID safety plan based on local & state guidelines. Host teams are responsible for staying current on those local and state public health guidelines.

- - *If there is an ambiguity between recommended guidelines,the most stringent should apply or local counsel should be consulted to provide guidance to follow.*
- The final draft shall include a separate COVID safety plan based on local & state guidelines.
- The meet information shall include an assumption of risk disclaimer.
- Host teams will be required to complete the USAS LSC Sanction Requirements (document sent via DocuSign from the Sanction Manager).
- Venue capacity limits will be based on athletes, officials, coaches, volunteers, and spectator numbers.
- Host teams are encouraged to include in meet information their plans for reimbursement due to teams cancelling, the meet cancelling, etc.
- If Wisconsin Swimming is forced to pull a sanction due to COVID-related issues, no reimbursement will be given to the host club.
- **Competition Waivers are still required for athletes, coaches and officials**.

Meet Entries

- Entries will be first-come, first served for all meets.
- The meet must be pre-seeded and deck entries will be allowed at the meet host discretion.
- Host clubs are encouraged to create a policy for receiving entries that will be listed in their meet information.
- **Non-invite meets hosted inside Wisconsin Swimming shall open their meet entry window for Wisconsin Swimming teams 2 days prior to opening for out-of-LSC teams**.

Any questions regarding the Flex Meet Plan can be directed to Wisconsin Swimming's Technical Planning Chair or Sanction Manager.
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