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OBSERVED MEET APPLICATION *for* SEASON-CULMINATING CHAMPIONSHIP

This application is to request Observed status for a competition conducted under rules other than USA Swimming. The meet must be a season-culminating Championship. This application must be received by the Director of Competition (MikeSeip@maswim.org) at least thirty (30) days prior to the start of the competition.

Name of meet _____

Host organization _____

Dates of meet _____

Location/Facility _____

Meet Director/Contact _____

E-mail _____

Phone _____

Type of meet	Course	Anticipated attendees
High School	SC Yards	# of participating teams
College	LC Meters	# of athletes
Masters	SC Meters	

The meet host is responsible for securing a sufficient number of USA Swimming officials, certified at a minimum of Stroke & Turn level, to assure that the conduct of the Meet and all times achieved are in conformance with USA Swimming Technical rules (USA-S Rulebook 202.4). The minimum requirement is two (2) USA Swimming officials per session.

Official	Phone	Official	Phone
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Signed _____ Title _____

Received _____ Date _____ **OFFICE USE ONLY**
 Officials Approved or Denied by _____

Application Approved or Denied by _____ Notification sent _____

USA/MA Swimming conditions for an Observed meet –

- 1) Timing systems and procedures must conform to the conditions specified in Article 102.16.4 & 5, and the facility must conform to Articles 103.3.1 and 103.12.1 & 2, of the USA Swimming Rules & Regulations.
- 2) Athletes must be permitted to wear only one suit in competition, meeting the USA Swimming guidelines.
- 3) The number of officials conducting the Meet must satisfy the minimum requirements as provided in USA Swimming Rule 102.12. A minimum of two (2) additional USA Swimming officials, certified at least at the stroke & turn level, shall be assigned as observers for the purpose of verifying conformance with USA Swimming technical rules. Observers shall be permitted access to the deck and shall be positioned at each end of the course. If the meet stroke and turn officials are dually certified by USA Swimming and are stationed at each end of the pool, additional observers are not necessary. Where the technical rules listed in Article 101 are the same as those of the host organization, the judgment of the organization officials shall be sufficient.
- 4) The meet referee, or the LSC designee, will provide swimmers and coaches with information about the Observation program and the procedures to be used to request Observation. Requests may be submitted prior to the swim for which observation is desired, or all swims may be observed.
- 5) If this meet is not a season ending championship meet, please use the Non-season ending form and attach meet information and reason for Observation request.
- 6) For non-NCAA meets, a complete backup of the meet must be submitted to the Middle Atlantic office within seven (7) days after the competition. All disqualifications made under USA Swimming rules shall be entered into the meet results database by the Meet Director or Coordinator. The USA Swimming ID registration number of all swimmers that requested observation and want their times input into SWIMS must be in the database. No other swimmers should have such USA Swimming ID numbers, although high school IDs or ID numbers in a format other than USA Swimming are permissible.
- 7) For NCAA meets, the meet results must be submitted to USA Swimming by email to ncaa@usaswimming.org