

Niagara District Swimming, Inc.

2011 Long Course Calendar

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Calendar at a Glance

Meet Descriptions

****Note**** Meets in **Yellow** are Niagara LSC meets and those dates are closed for invitational sanctions. Meets in **Green** are National level meets, meets in **Red** are Eastern Zone meets, meets in **Blue** are Open Water Meets

Specific programmatic elements and details of each meet follow the table below.

Date	Meet Name	Description (specs)
April 30, 2011	Niagara LSC House of Delegates Mtg.	Closed Date Not on Above Calendar
Held Between - May 6, 2010 & June 30, 2010	Niagara LSC Super Circuit Meets	Open Bids A series of up to 3 LCM meets (6 total) held in specific geographic areas during an 8 week championship qualifying period. No dates closed for other meets

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July 8-10, 2010	Niagara Classic	<p style="text-align: center;">No Bid (run by Niagara LSC)</p> <p>3.5 day, P-F Championship Qualifier Meet. Single Host Site</p>
July 23-23, 2011	Niagara Short Course "Sizzler"	<p style="text-align: center;">Open Bids Single Host</p> <p>2 Day SC format. P-F format. No cut times</p>
July 24, 2011	Niagara LSC Open Water Championships	<p style="text-align: center;">No Bids (run by Niagara LSC)</p> <p>New Meet on Schedule. Will be a 1K, 3K and 5K open-water course for multiple age groups.</p>
July 29-31, 2011	Niagara LSC LC JO Championships	<p style="text-align: center;">Open Bids Single Host Sites per date</p> <p>2-2.5 day, P-F Championship Style meet Meet. Single Host Site. Niagara LC cuts. 6-8 lane 50 M Facility.</p>
August 2-6, 2011	Conoco Phillips National Championships (Pan Pacs)	Location: TBD
August 9-13, 2011	Eastern Zone Super Sectional Meet	Location: Buffalo, NY
August 8-12, 2011	Junior National Championships	Location: TBD
August 11-13, 2011	Eastern Zone All-Star Meet	Location: TBA
August 14, 2011	Eastern Zone Open Water Championships	Location: TBA

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Except where noted, no bids will be considered or accepted for any invitational on ANY of the above Niagara Dates (in YELLOW). Those dates are closed for invitational meets. No Open Water Bids will be accepted on July 24, 2011

Niagara LSC Meets/Programs:

Niagara LC Super Circuit - This Niagara LSC program is a series of up to 6 meets over an 8-week qualifying period. These meets will be single session LCM meets consisting of about 8-12 events each and lasting less than 4 hours.

Open bids are accepted for any Saturday or Sunday during the program period (May 6, 2011 to June 30, 2011). Up to two (2) meets per date will be allowed, so long as they are hosted in different regions (Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse, Southern Tier). Selected meets/hosts will be given a \$400 meet operations credit/stipend by the LSC for hosting these meets. Meet venue will be awarded based on programmatic needs of the LSC. Meets dates are selected by Technical Planning and the host selected and those dates are NOT closed for other Niagara meets occurring that date. All REQUESTS for hosting should be directed through TECHNICAL PLANNING.

Niagara Long Course Classic - This is a closed bid meet as it is hosted and run by Niagara LSC. It will be a 3-day Championship format meet.

Niagara "Short Course" Sizzler - Open bids accepted. This will be a 2-day short course format meet to be held in any 6+ lane facility. Format and event list to be determined at a later time. Technical Planning to work with meet host to implement format.

Niagara LSC Open Water Championships - This is new meet on the schedule and is a closed bid meet as it is hosted and run by Niagara LSC. It will be an open water format in an appropriate open water venue with 1.5, 3, 5 Kilometer events. The meet will comply with Open Water Swimming rules (USA-S Rulebook, section 700).

Niagara Long Course JO Championships - Open bids accepted. This meet will be a 2.5-day championship long course format meet. P-F split into 2-3 session per day in a 6-8 (preferred) lane 50-meter facility. Technical Planning to work with meet host to implement format.

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Applying for a Sanction (VERY IMPORTANT)

Sanction application, sanction fee, meet packet and Meet Director's USA Swimming card must be received by **September 3, 2010**. Sanction applications should be submitted to the Administrative Vice Chair - **Brad Boyle** (18 Wenonah Terr. Tonawanda, NY 14150 : email: boyleb@ecc.edu)

- Teams interested in hosting Niagara Super Circuit Meets, need to submit "requests to host" directly to Technical Planning Chair: **Tim Dubois** (tdubois@kdimages.com). Please send proposed team host, meet date(s) & venue with request. Once all bids are received, bids will be awarded based on geographic and programmatic needs of the LSC. Selected hosts will then enter the regular sanction process at that point.
- Before bidding for any meet (Niagara LSC or Invitational), please make sure to follow all the guidelines and instructions found in the sanction application (posted on the website). Only bid for meets that you are certain that you have the logistical and technical ability to host, taking into consideration all club considerations as to the feasibility of running the meet. Once sanctions are issued, that meet becomes part of the competitive calendar and integral to the overall programmatic direction of the Niagara LSC. Once the sanction is issued, ANY changes to the meet **MUST** be approved by the Executive Board of the LSC. This includes invitational meets.
- **Clubs awarded bids to host Niagara LSC Meets must agree to run format as designed by Technical Planning. Niagara LSC meets are under the full jurisdiction of the Technical Planning Committee of the Niagara LSC. The meet host does not have the authority to alter any meet details specified by the Technical Planning Committee without prior approval of the Committee. Technical Planning is represented in this process by the Technical Planning Committee Chair (unless otherwise specified). The Technical Planning Committee will work with each meet host to run efficient and productive meets.**
- Meet packets (Sanction applications) for Niagara LSC Meets need to include the following- Host Club, Venue and brief description, Meet Director, Meet Referee, Meet Operations Coordinator, Head Meet Marshal, Meet Entries and what version of Meet Manager (i.e. Meet Manager Standard or Meet Manager Pro version) you will be using. All other information (i.e. Order of Events, format specifics, awards program, bonus eligibility, etc.) will be provided to you by Technical Planning.
- Clubs bidding for meets on open dates need to be aware that you may have to change your date if something unforeseen occurs with a Niagara District Meet.

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- If you are bidding on more than one open date meet, please prioritize them.
- Per Niagara Policies and Procedures 202.2- Up to four sanctions [one per geographic region: Buffalo, Rochester, Southern Tier and Rochester] will be permitted on the calendar for any open date. No application shall be considered (and no sanctions shall be issued) for meets proposed to be held on 'closed' dates on which a Niagara LSC meet, as designated by the Executive Committee, is being held in Niagara LSC.
- When designing your meet formats you must to adhere to USA Swimming 4 hour rule 205.3 F- *“With the exception of championship meets, the program in all other age group competition shall be planned to allow the events for swimmers 12 years and younger to be completed in 4 hours or less for a timed finals session or in a total of 8 hours or less per day for a preliminaries and finals meet.”* Ensure that your Order of Events and age category detail does not allow swimmers aged 12 or less to swim in more than one session, as this would likely exceed 4 hours.
- ***In order to receive a sanction, the Meet Director must attend a mandatory Meet. Directors/Meet Management Meeting at the Spring 2011 HOD Meeting. If you attended in 2010, you are certified for 2 years. You are welcome to attend next year but it isn't mandatory.***

Any questions about the bidding process should also be directed to the incoming Administrative Vice-Chair (Brad Boyle). If you have and questions about the requirements, specifications, formats, or anything related to specific LSC meets, please contact the Technical Planning Committee Chairman **Tim Dubois** (tdubois@kdimages.com)