



2021 Illinois Swimming Senior Championships

Coaches Meeting Notes

1. INTRODUCTIONS

- Meet Director – Bill Schalz, ACAD
- Meet Referee – Brett Cumberland (SCST) (Cell – 630-688-6981)
- Administrative Referee – Scott Penland (BNY)
- Lead Starter/Referee/Judge – John Eckstrom (ACAD)

2. FACILITY INFORMATION

- Athletes will be located on the 2nd floor near Hospitality and should remain there unless preparing to swim.
- Hospitality is located on the 2nd floor, just up the west stairs in the main lobby.
- Adult restrooms are located on deck and at the west end of the lobby. There are no athletes permitted in these facilities.

3. SAFETY PROCEDURES

- Masks will be optional this weekend, in accordance with current IDPH guidelines.
- The use of the locker rooms is strictly limited to athletes. There are dedicated washrooms for non-athletes only.
- There are to be no cellphones or other devices capable of recoding images behind the blocks at any time.

4. CREDENTIALS

- All coaches must sign in as they enter the facility through hospitality. Coaches can get heat sheets there when they sign in.
- All coaches and officials will need their credentials visible while on deck.

5. MEET JURIES

- ELIGIBILITY JURY
 - Pam Lowenthal, ISI
 - Rob Emery, Coach (BSC)
 - Amanda Schleede, Official (SCST)
- TECHNICAL JURY
 - Pam Lowenthal, ISI
 - Matt Elliott, Coach (BNSC)
 - Kim Mozdierz-Frank, Official EXPR)
- PROTEST PROCEDURE



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- Eligibility protests must be made prior to the race contesting the eligibility of a swimmer.
- Protests of an official's judgment call may only be considered by the Meet Referee, whose decision shall be final. Please speak to the event Deck Referee first.
- All other competition-related protests involving technical rules must be made to the Meet Referee first. If you are unsatisfied with the result you may protest to the technical jury if the issue allows under USA Swimming rules.
- Jury protests must be submitted in writing with an accompanying \$50 cash payment within 30 minutes of the Meet Referee's decision. If you prevail at the jury your payment is returned to you.

6. WARMUP SCHEDULE AND PROCEDURES

- Warmups will be conducted in accordance with Illinois Swimming's Controlled Warmup Procedure.
- Pre-session warmups will end about 10 minutes prior to the first splash of the session.
- All competition pool entries for warm-ups are from the West end only
- Warm-ups will begin with the following configuration:
 - Lanes 1 and 9 will be push/pace
 - Lane 2 will be forward starts, Lane 8 will be backstroke starts, both lanes are one way swim
 - Lanes 3-7 will be general warm-up
- This configuration will transition to allow more sprints as follows:
 - Lanes 1 and 9 will be push/pace
 - Lanes 2 and 3 will be forward starts, one way swim only
 - Lanes 7 and 8 will be backstroke starts, one way swim only
- There will be official on deck during warm-ups who has authority to turn over more lanes to specific warmups as needed.
- The competition pool will not be open during breaks in the meet.
- Secondary warm-up pool will be open throughout all sessions. No starts are permitted in the warm-up pool.

7. GENERAL DECK FLOW

- All swimmers will be located on the second floor, accessible from the main stairs in the lobby and two rear stairwells.



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- Swimmers will access the pool via these main stairs and through the main entry doors only.
- Officials will be entering and exiting the facility through the main entry and will be either working an assigned position on deck or will remain either in the Officials room or Hospitality only.

8. MEET ADMINISTRATION

- SESSION TIMELINES
 - Prelim timelines after scratches will be on heat sheets. Finals timeline will also be included. ***Timelines are informational only.***
- ADMIN TABLE DUTIES AND LOCATION
 - All administrative functions except for Clerk of Course will be in the Admin Room, mid-pool. Clerk of Course functions will be in the Main Lobby for pre-session start DFS and Time Trial entries.
- SCRATCH RULES AND PROCEDURES
 - Scratching from prelims:
 - Scratch deadline for next day events is 30 minutes after the start of the finals session of the preceding day.
 - Thursday Scratch deadline is 15 minutes after the conclusion of the Technical meeting on Wednesday.
 - All scratches will be done electronically, either thru an email to the ILSrChamps2021@gmail.com with the scratch information, or using the Google Prelims Scratch form:
[Scratch from Prelims](#)
 - Scratching from finals:
 - The 30-minute scratch period is announced with the close time. The preliminary results will be available On-line.
 - **If your swimmer has NO intention of returning for finals, please email ILSrChamps2021@gmail.com, or use the Google Form below with their request to scratch regardless of how far down they have qualified.**
[Scratch From Finals](#)



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- Any swimmer qualifying in the initial announced finals who does not scratch or declare their intent to scratch in the 30-minute period, and subsequently fails to show up for finals, will be penalized and removed from all remaining events (individual and relay) in the meet. ***No show penalties do not apply to any alternates.***
- Intent to Scratch:
 - A swimmer wishing to swim other events before deciding if they want to swim that event in finals may declare an intent to scratch with the Admin table. This must be filed within 30 minutes following the announcement of the finals swimmers for that event. The decision of whether or not to scratch must be made within 30 minutes of the swimmer's last event. **The swimmer must return to the Admin table to confirm their decision to scratch.** If they do not return, they will be seeded into the event and subject to finals no show penalties
- SWIM-OFF PROCEDURE
 - Swim-offs will be offered for 9th-10th, 18th-19th, 27th-29th place.
 - We will advise of potential swim-offs when they become apparent and advise at the close of scratch if they are necessary to resolve.
 - ALL CONTACT FOR THESE WILL BE THRU THE CHANNELS ENTERED FOR THAT DAY INTO THE MEET CONTACT FORM. Please make sure this is good contact information and it is being monitored.
- DECLARED FALSE STARTS
 - If a swimmer does not want to swim an event in prelims, please declare a false start prior to the heat. Failure to do so will result in a swimmer being deemed a no-show.
 - A declared false start may be entered at the Clerk of Course (Main Lobby) or can be sent in using this form prior to start of the preliminary session:

[Declared False Start - Pre Session Start](#)



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- Thereafter it must be filed with the Chief Judge official located at the starter/ref area of the pool.
- ***There are no declared false starts for finals.***
- NO SHOW PENALTIES
 - We will be following the no-show rules as set in the National Scratch Rule as applied by the Illinois Swimming Rules and Regulations. A swimmer subject to the penalty for preliminary swims will be barred from their next individual and relay event(s) that day.
 - Additionally, the swimmer(s) will not be seeded in the next day's events until an intent to swim has been filed with the admin referee by the scratch deadline.
- DISQUALIFICATIONS
 - We will not be notifying swimmers of any disqualifications.
 - **Coaches will receive notice of disqualifications via the channels entered in the Meet Contact Information form for that day.**
 - If there is a question about a disqualification, Coaches should go to the Admin room and request the yellow copy of the DQ slip and then see the deck referee listed on the slip. If this does not satisfy your concerns, please see the Meet Referee.
 - Disqualification due to judgment decisions by officials can only be considered by the Referee.
- Kinesio Taping of any kind is NOT permitted. All other taped injuries must be shown to the Meet Referee or Head Ref/Starter for approval.

9. RELAY EVENTS

Please present your relay card to the Administration table or use the Goggle Relay Entry form, at least one hour before the event is scheduled to swim. Admin will post and announce those times once seeding for the session is complete.

[Relay Entry Form](#)



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Multiple Relay cards can be submitted for the same relay (with changes), the last Relay card/Google Form received will be considered the Official Entry.

Relay Card changes will be honored if presented to the timers.

10.FINALS

- Ready Room Procedures:
 - A (Championship heat) finalists must report to the Ready Room and check in with the ready room official.
 - Consolation heat (B, C) swimmers should be behind the starting blocks.
 - Swimmers should have reported as soon as the previous event has commenced. Events following awards should be in position immediately following the award presentation.
 - The final heat will be confirmed as filled before the “C” heat is splashed. We will announce no more than twice for missing swimmers.
 - If a swimmer fails to check in in a timely manner, available alternates will be moved up. It is acceptable to report to an event and leave the ready room.

11.AWARDS

The top nine (9) individuals and top three relays should report to Awards Staging area. We will be staging awards at the East end of the pool (Scoreboard end). We will not be delaying the meet for late shows to the awards area.