

Revisions of Section I Proposed

Sect I.V.B

B. **Sanction Fee.** A Sanction number will not be issued until the appropriate sanction fee is paid to the IASI Administration Office. Sanction fees are:

\$5	Intrasquad
\$20	Dual; Time Trials
\$50	Invitational (open or closed); Triangular – One Day
\$100	Invitational (open or closed) – Two or more Days
\$100 \$50	Approved Meet – One Day
\$150 \$100	Approved Meet – Two or more Days
\$200	Approved Meet – Three Days

(Revised BOD 2/27/2021)

Sect I.VII.B.8

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Current Situation – USA swimmers who are dual members of USA Swimming and YMCA Swimming are currently disadvantaged for IASI Championship Meets because times achieved at YMCA Sanctioned meets, conducted under USA Swimming Rules, are not entered into SWIMS and are therefore considered non-conforming times. YMCA policies prohibit fees for participating in YMCA sanctioned meets, therefore there is no mechanism to “pass through” the IASI surcharge for USA swimmers and the LSC does not realize any income from these meets.

Objective of this proposal – This proposal has two objectives:

1. Provide USA Swimmers who achieve Q times in YMCA meets to have the opportunity to enjoy confirming times at IASI Championship meets
2. Provide IASI additional income through additional sanctioning fees in lieu of splash fees

Key Background

- USA Swimming Rule 202.6 automatically qualifies YMCA sanctioned meets to be eligible for sanctioning by USA Swimming as an Approved Meet
- YMCA Sanctioning requirements include that meets must be:
 - Closed only to YMCA registered swimmers and teams,
 - Must have at least three different YMCA teams participating, AND

- Each of the three teams must have at minimum number of swimmers participating in the event

Benefits to IASI:

- Swimmers times are accurate in SWIMS database
- Provides more exposure to our sport for athletes and officials
- Gives athletes in rural areas additional opportunities to obtain USA Times for Championships
- Encourages new USA Swimming registrations for YMCA Athletes
- New revenue source for the LSC through Approved meet fees
- Helps with administrative needs for Championship meet for duality teams (non-conforming times)
- Expedites pre-meet recon processes for Championship Meet Entry Chairs
- USA Swimming is rolling out “Block Parties” which is a short meet format that can also benefit from this change

Appendix for HOD Proposal

IASI P&P:

Section I- I.B- Approved Meets

May be hosted by a USA Swimming or non-USA Swimming Club. Both USA Swimming and non-USA Swimming clubs and swimmers can compete in an Approved Meet.

Section I- V.B- Approved Meets

The Approved Meet must be conducted in conformance with all technical rules of USA Swimming and officiated by USA Swimming certified officials Fees for

Approved Meets: \$50

Approved Meet – One Day \$100

Approved Meet – Two or more Days

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USA Rulebook 2024

202.6 REQUIREMENTS FOR APPROVAL

Approval of competition may be issued, withheld or withdrawn by an LSC in accordance with the following regulations:

.1 Approvals may be issued to non-member clubs/organizations for meets conducted in accordance with USA Swimming technical rules.

.2 Applicants for approval of an open water competition shall complete the application provided by USA Swimming.

.3 Approvals may be issued to member clubs for closed competition (such as YMCAs) conducted in accordance with USA Swimming technical rules.

.4 Approvals may be issued to member clubs or to LSCs for open competition conducted in accordance with USA Swimming technical rules if that competition has been specifically approved by the Times & Recognition Committee staff leader (or his/her designee).

.5 Both USA Swimming athlete members and non-USA Swimming athlete participants may compete in an approved meet.

Iowa YMCA Rulebook

Section 4- CLOSED COMPETITION (abbreviated):

When YMCA teams compete only against other YMCA teams. The minimum standards of a YMCA inter-association meet are:

- At least two (2) teams from different YMCA associations (different association numbers) take part
- At least six (6) competitors from each team participate
- At least six (6) events are contested, including one four-person single-sex relay
- At least one (1) coach from each competing team
- Officials (in all cases at least two (2) officials must be YMCA certified including one certified as a Level II Official who acts as the Meet Referee
- Dual Meets require at least three (3) officials including a starter, a referee and an administrative official. The starter and referee may also serve as stroke and turn judges if necessary
- All other meets require at least four (4) officials including a referee, a starter (who may also act as a stroke and turn judge), a stroke and turn judge and an administrative official.
- Any YMCA Level II certified official can function as the administrative official, but not in that role and in another deck role (eg. the deck referee cannot also serve as the Admin Official)
- USA Swimming certified officials may assist with the officiating, provided that there are at least two YMCA certified officials, one of whom is YMCA Level II certified and acts as the meet referee.
- No admission may be charged for YMCA meets
- YMCA of the USA Conduct of Closed Competition YMCA Meets

Must YMCA sanctioned championship and invitational meets be approved meets under USA-S Rule 202.6?

It is strongly recommended that all YMCA sanctioned meets seek approval from the relevant USA-S LSC and that the times be entered into the USA-S SWIMS database. However, this is not required. Note that the host YMCA's Meet Director or Head Coach must follow the local LSC's requirements for submitting an application for USA-S approval of the meet.