

# **13<sup>th</sup> Annual Terror on the Blocks**

## **MEET ANNOUNCEMENT**

### **About the Meet**

**Date:** October 26, 2025

**Location:** Auburn YMCA

**Entry Deadline:** **October 17, 2025**

**Hosted by:** Auburn YMCA Stingrays

**Meet Director:** Dan Herrling

**Website:** [www.AuburnStingrays.org](http://www.AuburnStingrays.org)

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### **About The Meet**

This is a closed competition YMCA invitational meet. This meet and all participants will adhere to the Rules that Govern YMCA Competitive Sports and the Swimming Addendum to the Rules that Govern YMCA Competitive Sports. USA Swimming technical rules will be followed.

### **MEET FORMAT WAIVER**

**RESERVE THE RIGHT TO MAKE CHANGES:** The host organization reserves the right to make any adjustments to the provisions of the meet announcement deemed necessary to ensure the fair and efficient running of the meet. Changes will be communicated as far in advance as possible. None of the required elements of a sanctioned meet may be changed.

### **LOCATION AND FACILITY**

**Location:** Auburn YMCA 27 William St.

Auburn, NY 13021

**Emergency Phone Number: 315-253-5304 (Auburn YMCA)**

The Auburn YMCA is configured as a 6 lane, SCY course. Water depth at start is 8 feet (minimum 5 feet required) and at turn end is 3 feet 6 inches. Colorado electronic timing system will be used. The competition course has been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C (4)

There is a 3 lane, 20-yard pool available for warm-up and warm-downs. It will be closed during the 10 & under session except for warming up for the 1000's.

There is spectator seating for 250 people. Areas outside the pool are available for families to relax.

Swimmers are expected to stay in the A Gym. Absolutely no glass bottles are allowed anywhere in the facility.

Free WiFi is available in the lobby.



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### **WEBSITE**

**Meet Information can be found at:** [www.AuburnStingrays.org](http://www.AuburnStingrays.org)

**Online Meet Results:** SwimCloud - [\*\*AYST Terror on the Blocks 2025\*\*](#)

### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

**Meet Director:** Dan Herrling ([dsherrling@gmail.com](mailto:dsherrling@gmail.com))

**Entry Chairperson:** Steve Selvek ([auburnstingrayssmm@gmail.com](mailto:auburnstingrayssmm@gmail.com))

**Meet Referee:** Justin Herrling ([jherrling@gmail.com](mailto:jherrling@gmail.com))

**Administrative Official:** Steve Selvek ([smselvek@gmail.com](mailto:smselvek@gmail.com))

### **MEET TIMELINE**

**Warm-up and start times for all sessions are subject to change depending on the size of the meet**

**10 & Under Session 1** Warm-up 7:30 AM, Session will begin at 9:00 AM

**11 & Up Session 2** Warm-up 12:00 PM, Session will begin no sooner than 1:00 PM

**Inclement Weather/Cancellation:** We will make every effort to inform each team if there is a change in the meet schedule due to inclement weather.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

#### **ATHLETE**

**YMCA Membership:** An athlete must be a YMCA member in good standing who holds an annual, full privilege membership at the YMCA.

**Amateur Status:** An athlete may not have represented a college, university or other post-high school institution in any competition and may not have accepted pay or compensation for competing as a swimmer.



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**Unattached Athletes:** There is no unattached status in YMCA Swimming.

**Age:** Age is determined as of your age **on December 1, 2025**

**YMCA Meet Participation:** Be a current full privileged YMCA member for the team you are representing.

**Athletes with a Disability:** Swimmers with a disability are welcome to enter this meet. The coach or team entry person must alert the meet director and the meet referee as to the need for any special accommodations or seeding arrangements at the time the entry is submitted. If modifications to USA Swimming rules are necessary, then the coach or athlete must notify the meet referee of any disability prior to competition.

### **COACH**

**Required Certifications:** Coaches must hold current certifications in the following courses in order to receive a deck credential:

**Professional Rescuer CPR, First Aid, Safety Training for Swim**

**Coaches** (a Lifeguard certification may be used if accompanied by completion of the Safety Training for Swim Coaches online content),

**Principles of YMCA Competitive Swimming and Diving and Athlete Protection Training.** A list of the acceptable certifications can be found in the Swimming Addendum to the Rules That Govern Competitive Sport.

**Coach Registration:** Each coach must have completed the annual YMCA on-line team and coach registration process. Coaches who are not registered and approved will not be permitted on deck.

**Teams without A Coach at the Meet:** All athletes and teams must have at least one certified and credentialed YMCA coach designated as being responsible for their supervision during competition. When a YMCA team will not have a coach present, that YMCA may authorize an eligible coach from another YMCA attending the meet to be responsible for their athletes at the meet. The Meet Director and Meet Referee must be notified of this situation.

### **TEAM**

**Team Registration:** Each team must have completed the annual YMCA on-line team registration and paid the annual registration fee.



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**Insurance:** Each team that participates in the meet must have a current and correct Certificate of Liability Insurance, in effect through the last day of the meet.

### **ENTRY INFORMATION**

- ENTRY LIMITS:**
- 1.** There are no restrictions on the number of entries per team in individual events.
  - 2.** The host reserves the right to limit the number of heats in certain events as well as close entries at any time.
  - 3.** There is no limitation to the number of mixed relays a team may enter in a relay event.
  - 4.** Swimmers may swim up to 4 individual events and 1 relays.

**USA-S IDs:** Only USA-S registered athletes should have an ID number in the Meet Entry File.

**ENTRY FEES:**

- \$7.00 deck fee** (one-time fee per swimmer)
- \$5.00 per individual event**
- \$20.00 per relay event** (\$5.00 per swimmer)

#### **OTHER:**

**T-Shirt Sales: online store** - <https://ayst-terror-on-the-blocks.square.site/>

**If your team would like its name printed on the back of the shirt**, please email Dan Herrling ([dsherrling@gmail.com](mailto:dsherrling@gmail.com)) **by 10/2/2025** with the exact name you would like printed.

Online orders will be available for this T-Shirts **until 9pm on 10/5** and will be ready for **pickup at the event on 10/26**. Please see T-Shirt sales/pickup station in main hallway. Have name used for order and last 4 digits of card available to confirm at pickup time.



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A limited quantity of select sizes will be available the day of the event for purchase at the non-sale price, via cash or card.

**ENTRY DEADLINE:** **October 17, 2025**

### **ENTRY PROCEDURE:**

- Entries can be submitted directly through SwimCloud: [SwimCloud Link](#)
  - The event file can also be downloaded from SwimCloud or our team website (SwimCloud is preferred).
  - Note: Event files generated from SwimCloud do *not* include entry fees. Fees must be manually entered into your team's CRM system, see fees below.
- If you are unsure how to submit entries through SwimCloud, entries may also be emailed Please email entries to [auburnstingraysmm@gmail.com](mailto:auburnstingraysmm@gmail.com). Please contact meet manager if you do not receive confirmation within 24 hours.

**Payment:** Please submit checks to the Auburn YMCA Stingrays, 27 William St., Auburn, NY 13021 postmarked by **October 17, 2025**.

**OVER-SUBSCRIPTION:** The meet manager reserves the right to close entries if the meet **size exceeds 300 athletes**.

## **VOLUNTEERS/OFFICIALS/TIMERS**

**OFFICIALS AND TIMERS:** We will likely need the assistance of other clubs' officials and timers. **Please inform Justin Herrling at [jherrling@gmail.com](mailto:jherrling@gmail.com) if you have officials who would like to participate.**

## **CHECK-IN PROCEDURE**

**MEET CHECK-IN PROCEDURE:** Head coaches should check in the coaches' room.

**EVENT CHECK-IN:** There will be a positive check-in for the 1000 free.

**COACHES MEETING/SCRATCH MEETING:** Coaches meeting will be announced prior to each session. Please provide courtesy scratches to the meet manager.



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**OFFICIALS AND TIMERS MEETING:** Officials and timers meeting will be announced at the meet prior to each session.

### **PROCEDURES AND OPERATIONS**

**RULES:** The meet will run under YMCA Rules that Govern Competitive Sports, Addendum to the YMCA Rules that Govern Competitive Sports, **CNY Swim League**, USA-S Technical Rules.

**MEET FORMAT:** The meet will be swum using a Timed finals format. Swimmer's age will be determined as of **December 1, 2025. ALL RELAYS WILL BE MIXED (2 GIRLS AND 2 BOYS).**

**EVENT SEEDING:** Events will be seeded Slowest to Fastest. The Meet Referee/Administrative Official reserve the right to combine heats.

**SCRATCH PROCEDURES:** An athlete is considered entered into an event unless he/she scratches from that event. If an athlete does not scratch from an event and does not swim the event, that event still counts toward the athlete's total number of events for the meet.

**DECLARED FALSE START:** An athlete may also withdraw from a heat or swim-off by electing to take a declared false start. Such declaration must be made known to the Deck Referee before the heat or swim off is announced. A declared false start counts as an event swum for the athlete and will be counted in the maximum number of events allowed for each athlete.

**WARM-UP SAFETY PROCEDURES:** Teams **will** be assigned lanes for **warmups**. During designated warm up sessions, athletes may only enter the competition pools feet first. The exception is during specific warm up periods when sprint lanes are designated for practicing racing starts.

**Bull Pen:** **10 & under swimmers and 11 & up will be bull penned in the B gym.**

**STARTS:** 'Fly-over' starts **will** be used at this meet. All swimmers (except for Backstroke starts) should remain in the water at the completion of their race until the next heat has begun.

Protests against the judgment decisions of starters, stroke, turn, place and relay take-off judges can only be considered by the Referee and the Referee's decisions will be final USA-S Rule 102.23).



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**CONDUCT AND RESTRICTIONS:** The Meet Referee reserves the right to dismiss any swimmer, coach and/or spectator from the competition due to inappropriate conduct

- Deck access is limited to only registered and approved coaches, swimmers, and working officials.
- Deck Changes are prohibited.
- No Glass containers are allowed in the facility.
- The use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms.
- Massage tables are not permitted.
- Individuals are responsible for the security of their personal belongings and are encouraged not to bring valuables to the meet venue and not to leave items unattended.
- Swimmers are not permitted in the spectator stands
- Shaving is not permit in any areas of the facility.
- Folding chairs on the pool deck are for timers only.

## **AWARDS AND RECOGNITION**

### **SCORING:**

**Individual Events** 1<sup>st</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> place: 16-13-12-11-10-9-7-5-4-3-2-1

**Relay Events** 1<sup>st</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> place: **Place awards only, no points**

**AWARDS:** First through twelfth place for all events will receive awards.

High point in each age group, male and female, will receive an award first thru third. All events, except relays, will score points through sixteenth place. All relays are non-scoring. 11 & up 1000 free event will score by age group

## **SPECTATORS**

**ADMISSION FEE:** none

**HEAT SHEETS/PROGRAMS:** Available for sale





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**CONCESSION STAND:** There will be concessions at the meet while supplies last and will accept cash or CC.

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**SUIT & EQUIPMENT SALES:** None on site

**ATHLETE APPAREL:** Swimmers **must** wear shirts and footwear outside the pool deck.

**HANDICAP SEATING:** will be available

### **CONDUCT AND RESTRICTIONS:**

- No Flash Photography at the start of competition races.
- Parents and coaches are responsible for the conduct of their children. Children are not allowed to roam the facility unattended.
- The use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms.
- Deck access is restricted to USA Swimming athletes, coaches, officials and meet volunteers. All non-athlete members must have proof of registration or a credential while on deck and present them upon meet management request
- No smoking, drugs, or alcohol are permitted in the swimming complex.



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### **LIABILITY, SAFETY AND EMERGENCY PROCEDURES**

**INSURANCE:** Each Association participating in this meet must have insurance coverage for representative(s) including leadership and participants who will be in attendance for the period of travel from their Association to the meet, during the entire period of the meet and return to their Association. Appendix 2 must be signed by each association participating in the meet.

#### **LIABILITY LIMITS:**

- In granting of the USA-S/Niagara LSC approval, it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming and Niagara LSC shall be free and held harmless from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the meet.
- In granting the YMCA Sanctioning, it is understood and agreed that YMCA of the USA shall be free and held harmless from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the meet.

**EMERGENCIES:** the facility personnel will handle all emergencies at the meet. These individuals will provide CPR and first aid as needed and will ensure that individuals with serious injuries are transported immediately to the nearest hospital for further treatment. Defibrillators will be on site.

Any coach, athlete or official who recognizes an emergency situation should immediately inform the facility's personnel and then make sure the vicinity of the emergency is clear for the emergency personnel to do their job.

**UNACCOMPANIED ATHLETE:** Each athlete must have a certified coach responsible for him/her while on the pool deck. The coach of the athlete must authorize in writing a coach from another team to represent their team and be responsible for the swimmer(s).

**CONCUSSION AWARENESS:** This meet will follow the YMCA of USA Concussion procedure. Anyone who observes or has knowledge of a potential head injury should immediately notify lifeguards and/or hired medical personnel. Once the injury report is completed, the lifeguard and/ or hired medical personnel will notify the Event Staff, the athlete's coaching staff, and the Meet Director.

#### **If a head injury occurs, the action plan below will be followed:**

- 1.** Athlete is removed immediately from participation by the Meet Director



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2. Athlete must be evaluated by a licensed health care professional experienced in identifying and treating concussions. In addition, the athlete must be in compliance with the laws that are in effect within the jurisdiction where the meet is held.
3. The coaching staff will inform the athlete's parents or guardians about the possible concussion and give or send them the fact sheet on concussion.
4. The athlete will not be allowed back to warm-up or compete until a health care professional, experienced in evaluating concussions determines that the athlete is symptom-free and is OK to return to participation.

**LIGHTNING POLICY:** The National Lightning Safety Institute, National Athletic Trainers Association, American College of Emergency Physicians, USA Swimming, and YMCA of the USA all recommend or require closing an indoor pool during an electrical storm. This policy will be followed at the meet.

**EVACUATION PROCEDURE:** Will be announced before each session.

### **PARKING**

#### **IMPORTANT PARKING INFORMATION AND NOTICE**

Parking is available in the parking garage across the street from the Auburn YMCA. Parking is allowed in marked parking spaces only.

**DO NOT** park along roadway, in drive areas, on grass or any location not designated as a parking space. All roadways and drive areas must remain open and clear for emergency access.

Vehicles parked in no parking areas will be ticketed, booted and **TOWED AT THE OWNER'S EXPENSE**. No exceptions. Warnings may not be issued.

PLEASE ABIDE BY THE PARKING REGULATIONS AND AVOID A TICKET AND FINE.



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## **APPENDIX 1: ORDER OF EVENTS**

<u>Girls &amp; Mixed Event #</u>	<u>Session 1 Events</u>	<u>Boys Event #</u>
1	Mixed 8 & Under 100 Medley Relay	-
2	Mixed 9-10 200 Medley Relay	-
3	8 & Under 100 Freestyle	4
5	9-10 200 Freestyle	6
7	8 & Under 100 Individual Medley	8
9	9-10 100 Individual Medley	10
11	8 & Under 25 Freestyle	12
13	9-10 50 Freestyle	14
15	8 & Under 25 Butterfly	16
17	9-10 50 Butterfly	18
19	8 & Under 50 Freestyle	20
21	9-10 100 Freestyle	22
23	8 & Under 25 Backstroke	24
25	9-10 50 Backstroke	26
27	8 & Under 25 Breaststroke	28
29	9-10 50 Breaststroke	30
31	Mixed 8 & Under 100 Freestyle Relay	-
32	Mixed 9-10 200 Freestyle Relay	-
33	8 & Under 200 Freestyle (Limited to 3 heats)	34
35	9-10 500 Freestyle (Limited to 3 heats)	36
37	Mixed 11 & Over 1000 Freestyle (Limited to 3 heats)	-



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<u>Girls &amp; Mixed Event #</u>	<u>Session 2 Events</u>	<u>Boys Event #</u>
39	Mixed 11-12 200 Medley Relay	-
40	Mixed 13 & Over 200 Medley Relay	-
41	11-12 200 Freestyle	42
43	13 & Over 200 Freestyle	44
45	11-12 200 Individual Medley	46
47	13 & Over 200 Individual Medley	48
49	11-12 50 Freestyle	50
51	13 & Over 50 Freestyle	52
53	11-12 50 Butterfly	54
55	13 & Over 100 Butterfly	56
57	11-12 100 Freestyle	58
59	13 & Over 100 Freestyle	60
61	11 & Over 500 Freestyle	62
63	11-12 50 Backstroke	64
65	13 & Over 100 Backstroke	66
67	11-12 50 Breaststroke	68
69	13 & Over 100 Breaststroke	70
71	Mixed 11-12 200 Freestyle Relay	-
72	Mixed 13 & Over 200 Freestyle Relay	-



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### **APPENDIX 2: YMCA SANCTIONED MEET DECLARATION FORM**

(Note: Return signed Declaration form to the meet director)

**Participating YMCA:** \_\_\_\_\_

**YMCA Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Meet Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Meet Date(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Meet Host:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Meet Location:** \_\_\_\_\_

We the undersigned attest to the following:

**SWIMMERS** - All swimmers representing the YMCA above are full privilege members of the YMCA and meet the eligibility requirements.

**COACHES** - All coaches representing the YMCA above hold current certifications in CPR, First Aid, Coaches Safety Training and Principles of YMCA Competitive Swimming and Diving.

**INSURANCE** - Our Association now has insurance coverage for representative(s) including leadership and participants who will be in attendance at the **Terror on the Blocks** for the period of travel from our Association to the meet, during the entire period of the meet and return to our Association. (We suggest you investigate trip insurance). I hereby certify that YMCA has a minimum of \$1,000,000/\$2,000,000 in liability insurance that covers our coaches and swimmers during their travel to and from and during their participation in the **Terror on the Blocks**. The YMCA of the USA must be named the Certificate Holder and also names the YMCA of the USA as an additional insured as it relates to this meet.

**RELEASE** - In consideration of your accepting this entry, I hereby, for myself, heirs, executor and administrators, waive and release any and all right and claim for damages I may have against the YMCA of the USA, **Auburn YMCA Stingrays**, the **Auburn YMCA**, their agents, representatives or assigns, any and all injuries which may be suffered by participants at the **Terror on the Blocks** Furthermore, we understand that the YMCA of the USA and **Auburn YMCA Stingrays** are not responsible for any intended or unintended consequences related to removing an athlete from competition for a head injury. This includes, but is not limited to, any financial reimbursement associated with such removal.

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**Name and Signature of Head Coach**

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**Name and Signature of YMCA Executive Director or Designee**



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**COACHES ATTENDING THE MEET**

**Team:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Team Acronym:** \_\_\_\_\_

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_

6. \_\_\_\_\_

**I attest to the fact that all coaches listed above have the proper credentials** (Life Guarding or safety training for swim coaches, CPR, First Aid and required YMCA Credentials) to be on deck at the Terror on the Blocks invite held at the Auburn YMCA on Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025. All Coaches certifications will be checked at the YMCA approved coaches list.

**Head Coach:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature required**



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**ENTRY SUMMARY SHEET**

**Team Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Team abbr.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Head Coach's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone # Day:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

	# Girls	# Boys	# Total Entries	Fees	Amount Due
<b>Per Swimmer Deck Fee</b>				<b>X \$7.00</b>	
<b>Individual Entries</b>				<b>X \$5.00</b>	
	<b># Total Mixed Relays (2 Girls + 2 Boys)</b>				
<b>Relay Entries</b>				<b>X \$20.00</b>	
<b>Total Fee Due =</b>					

**Coaches Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

After e-mailing entries in, the following documents must be sent and post marked no later than **October 17, 2025**, to the address listed below:

1. **Entry Summary Sheet**
2. **Coaches Attending the Meet**
3. **YMCA Sanctioned Meet Declaration Form**
4. **Enclosed check made payable to: Auburn YMCA Stingrays**

**Auburn YMCA Stingrays**  
**Attn: Beth Yousey**  
**27 William Street**  
**Auburn, NY 13021**