

# BEAST AQUATICS

## 2025 Santa Fe Veteran's Invitational November 7<sup>th</sup> – November 9<sup>th</sup>



### Sanction:

Held under the sanction of USA Swimming Inc., and New Mexico Swimming Inc., All current USA swimming and NMSI rules will govern the conduct of this meet. NMS Sanction #NMS26101A

In granting this sanction it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming Inc., BEAST Aquatics LLC, and the City of Santa Fe, all meet sponsors, and all meet officials shall be free from any liabilities or claims or damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event.

USA Swimming, Inc., cannot prevent you (or your child(ren)) from becoming exposed to, contracting, or spreading COVID-19 while participating in USA Swimming sanctioned events. It is not possible to prevent the presence of the disease. Therefore, if you choose to participate in a USA Swimming sanctioned event, you may be exposing yourself to and/or increasing your risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19.

BY ATTENDING OR PARTICIPATING IN THIS COMPETITION, YOU VOLUNTARILY ASSUME ALL RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH EXPOSURE TO COVID-19 AND FOREVER RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS USA SWIMMING AND THE LSC AND EACH OF THEIR OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES OR OTHER REPRESENTATIVES FROM ANY LIABILITY OR CLAIMS INCLUDING FOR PERSONAL INJURIES, DEATH, DISEASE OR PROPERTY LOSSES, OR ANY OTHER LOSS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO CLAIMS OF NEGLIGENCE AND GIVE UP ANY CLAIMS YOU MAY HAVE TO SEEK DAMAGES, WHETHER KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, FORESEEN OR UNFORESEEN, IN CONNECTION WITH EXPOSURE, INFECTION, AND/OR SPREAD OF COVID-19 RELATED TO PARTICIPATION IN THIS COMPETITION.

**We have taken enhanced health and safety measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, we cannot guarantee that you will not be exposed to COVID-19. An inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. COVID-19 is an extremely contagious disease that can lead to severe illness and death. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, senior citizens and guest with underlying medical conditions are especially vulnerable. Physical presence at the meet may increase the risk of contracting COVID-19. Meet participants and spectators voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19 and voluntarily accept sole responsibility for any personal injury, illness, permanent disability, or death that may result.**

**Meet Referee:** Debbie Schmidt – [schmidtfive@gmail.com](mailto:schmidtfive@gmail.com) (970) 749-3565 and Foster Haines  
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**Admin Official:** Natasha Duran – [natasha@beastswim.com](mailto:natasha@beastswim.com)

**Meet Entry Chair:** Brandi Nolen – [brandi@beastswim.com](mailto:brandi@beastswim.com) 210-454-9020

**Meet Director:** Ashley Burns – [ashely@beastswim.com](mailto:ashely@beastswim.com)

**Safety Director:** Jen Ellefson – [peanut2789@yahoo.com](mailto:peanut2789@yahoo.com)

**Location:** Genoveva Chavez Community Center  
3221 Rodeo Rd. Santa Fe NM 87507  
Elevation: 6,650 ft

**Facility:** The Genoveva Chavez Community Center Natatorium is an indoor facility. The competition pool is 25y x 25y and will have 8 designated lanes equipped with non-turbulent lane lines and Daktronics Timing System with touchpads and with one 8-lane display system. A floating bulkhead is used at the turn end of the lanes. The water depth at the starting end of the pool is 13 feet or greater. At the bulkhead, the depth is 6 feet or greater. A separate 6-lane warm-up/cool-down pool is available during the meet. No diving. Circle swimming only.

The competition course has not been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4). There are two separate male and female locker rooms with restroom facilities in addition to separate restroom facilities designated for coaches/officials/spectator only.

During the meet, all other areas of the Natatorium will be closed and off limits, including the leisure pool, therapy pool, and hot tub. There are certified lifeguards and AED equipment available for the duration of the meet. No smoking/vaping is allowed anywhere in the facility, and glass containers are prohibited inside the facility. The venue is accessible to people with disabilities

**Eligibility:** Open to all swimmers holding a 2025 or 2026 USA Swimming Membership. Any member showing up on the NMS exceptions report must submit proof of membership in good standing to the entry chair prior to the scratch deadlines to be seeded. All registrations will be verified.

No on-deck registrations will be accepted.

Age as of Friday, November 7, 2025, will govern entries.

At a sanctioned competitive event, USA Swimming athlete members must be under the supervision of a USA Swimming member coach during warm-up, competition, and cool down. Any swimmer without a coach must report to the Meet Director or Meet Referee to make arrangements for such supervision. Any swimmer entered in the meet, unaccompanied by a USA Swimming member coach must be certified by a USA Swimming coach as being proficient in performing a racing start or must start each race from within the water. It is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement. Please contact the meet director for assistance coordinating with an attending supervising coach.

**Entries:** USA Swimming 2024-2028 National Group Motivational Time Standards "B" time standard will be used for sessions 1, 2, 4,5 and 6. Swimmers in sessions 1,2,4,5, and 6 may swim 3 individual events per day plus 1 relay per session with a limit of 7 total individual events and 1 relay total for the meet. (\*Exhibition relays do not count towards the total relay limit). Swimmers entered in individual events for sessions 1, 2, 5 and 6 are not eligible to participate in the novice Session 3 events.

**Novice Session** - Session 3 will have no minimum qualifying time, however a maximum "BB" time for this session will be enforced. Session 3 swimmers may swim 4 individual events and are eligible to swim relays in prelims sessions if desired.

Time Standards can be found on the USA Swimming website and attached to this meet announcement.

Swimmers must be registered in the meet to be eligible for relays.

Sessions are limited to a 4 hour time period. Entries will be accepted until the 4 hour session limit is reached. Once the time limit is reached, no additional entries will be accepted at the discretion of the meet director. This includes entries from teams already participating in the meet.

Only the top 24 girls and 24 boys listed on the psych sheet will be entered in the 10 & U 200 IM, 11 & over 400 IM, 500 Free and 1650 Free. Teams will be notified via email if entered swimmers are removed from a capped event and provided an opportunity to select alternative event entry if available at the discretion of the meet director.

Swimmers must provide their own counters and timers for Session 1 and the 500 Free heats during prelims and finals.

ENTRIES WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED IN HYTEK FORMAT or sd3 (use the EXTENDED sd3 file option from a Team Unify website). Entries are to be emailed to the entry chair listed above by the deadline. The maximum number of athletes is 300. The team causing the number of athletes to exceed 300 will be fully registered in the meet with all athletes. Entries are not considered accepted until payment is received. All registrations will be verified. NO ON-DECK USA SWIMMING REGISTRATION will be accepted. NO LATE ENTRIES will be accepted.

### **Entry submissions must include:**

- a) Hytek zip or sd3
- b) Entry report by swimmer pdf
- c) name and phone number for the contact coach attending the meet for use by admin during the meet with your entries.

### **Bonus Events:**

There will be NO bonus swims in events 400 or longer. If an athlete has achieved one qualifying time for their age group, they are allowed up to three (3) bonus swims with an official time, a time of NT is NOT allowed.

- 1 Qualifying time = 3 bonus swims
- 2 Qualifying times = 2 bonus swims
- 3 Qualifying times = 1 bonus swim
- 4 or more qualifying times = 0 bonus swims

### **Scratch and Positive Check In Procedures:**

National Scratch procedures from the USA Swimming Rulebook 207.11.6 will be followed.

Prelims- The scratch box will be located at the admin table.

The scratch deadline for Friday events will be Thursday at noon (12:00pm) and must be EMAILED to the entry chair, Brandi Nolen [brandi@beastswim.com](mailto:brandi@beastswim.com) (no texts please). The scratch deadline for subsequent days prelims will be 5:30 pm for the next day's preliminary events. Penalties for No Show in a prelims event will be barred from swimming the next prelim, timed finals, or non-exhibition relay event scheduled and must check in with the admin table to be seeded for future events.

Finals- Any swimmers wishing to scratch a finals event must scratch or declare their intent to scratch within 30 minutes of the announcement of the qualifying finalists for that race. Swimmers declaring intent must return to declare a scratch within 30 minutes following their last individual preliminary event or the swimmer will be entered in the event and all penalties will apply. Penalties for a No Show in finals will be barred from future competition, previously qualified events may be swum.

Declared False Starts will not be accepted for finals and positively checked in events.

The 400 IM, 1650 Free, and 500 Free will be seeded combined 11-12, 13-14 and 15&O as Timed Final events with Positive Check-In Required and will be scored by age group. The fastest seeded 8 swimmers

after check-in for the 500 free, regardless of age, will swim in the finals session. All other swimmers will compete in prelims heats alternating women & men.

Positive Check in for the 400IM and 1650 Free will close at the start of Friday warm up.

Positive Check in for the 500 Free will close at the start of the Saturday finals session for all swimmers entered in the event. 1st-8th will be seeded in finals unless prelims seeding is requested at positive check in.

Relay cards for Friday are due 30 minutes prior to the start of Friday Session 1. Subsequent prelim session relay cards are due by the respective prelims session scratch deadline. Finals relay cards are due 1 hour prior to the completion of the corresponding prelims session. Changes can be made up to the beginning of the race with admin or the deck ref. Cards not returned by the deadline will be scratched.

**Entry Dates:** **Entry deadline is 11:59pm, Thursday, October 30th, 2025.**

**Entry Fees:**

Individual Events	\$6.00
Relay Events	\$10.00
NM Swim Surcharge	\$7.00
Facility & Program fee	\$ 20.00

Meet fees will be waived for qualified NMS swimmers in accordance with sections 7.1.1.1 and 7.1.6 of NMSI Rules and regulations.

**Entry process:** Email pdf entry report by swimmer AND electronic entries to Brandi Nolen at [brandi@beastswim.com](mailto:brandi@beastswim.com). If you do not receive an email confirmation, your entries were not received. Entry submissions must include the name and phone number for the contact coach **attending the meet** for use by admin during the meet with your entries.

**Payment:** Team checks should be made payable to BEAST Aquatics. Payment may be made on the first day of competition or mailed to: BEAST Aquatics 12500 Comanche Rd NE Albuquerque NM 87111.

**Format:** This meet will follow national scratch procedures from 207.11.6 of the USA Swimming rulebook.

The top 16 swimmers in prelims will advance to the finals for each age group, except when there are fewer than 16 swimmers entered in the event. If there are fewer than 16 swimmers entered in an event, only the top 8 (from each age group) will advance to finals.

10&U 200 IM, as well as all 400 IM, 500 Free, and 1650 Free events will be swum fastest to slowest. In events where finals are offered, prelims for the 11 & Over athletes will be swum combined ages seeded by entry time, while finals will be swum and scored by age group.

The meet will be seeded in accordance with USA Swimming Rules with non-conforming times last.

**Coaches:** A mandatory coaches meeting will be at 3:45 prior to Friday Session 1 warmups. Any meet notes prior to the meet will be emailed to the contact person(s) provided when entries are submitted. You are responsible for any information provided in emailed meet notes and at the coaches meeting. Watch for emails with a subject of "Meet Notes 1.0, 2.0, etc." Each coach will be required to sign in and show proof of current USA Swimming certification to be on deck and receive their heat sheet. Acceptable proof is a USA member card or USA Swimming App member card.

**Officials:** All teams are encouraged to bring officials. Please contact Debbie Schmidt [schmidtfive@gmail.com](mailto:schmidtfive@gmail.com) for more information and your availability. Training sessions will be available. There will be an officials meeting one hour prior to session start. Officials uniform for this meet will be a white polo shirt over navy pants, shorts, or skirt with white deck friendly shoes. Officials from other LSC's are welcome in the uniform of their home LSC.

**Schedule:** Friday - Timed Finals– Warm up 3pm, Start 4pm  
Saturday Prelims - Warm up 7am, Start 8am  
Saturday Novice – Warm up TBD / Start TBD  
Saturday Finals – Warm up TBD / Start TBD  
Sunday Prelims - Warm up 7am / Start 8am  
Sunday Finals – Warm up TBD / Start TBD

**Warmups:** New Mexico Swimming warm up procedures will be followed during this meet. A coach member of USA Swimming must supervise all swimmers during all warm-up sessions. All swimmers will be required to use the 3-point entry method to enter the water. Warm-up times provided above are estimates only. Final warm up information will be distributed via email after the close of entries. The host reserves the right to assign warm-up lanes to teams. Should the number of swimmers in the meet warrant an additional warm-up session, one will be created, and the teams notified of their specific warm-up time. The last 10 minutes at the end of warm-up session will be open for dive starts in Lanes 2 and 7.

**Heat Sheets/Meet Program:**

Meet program/Heat Sheets will be available for no additional charge on meet mobile, on the [Veterans Day Invite landing page](#) or by visiting [www.beastswim.com](http://www.beastswim.com) and clicking on the blue link found on the navigation bar. Printed copies may be available for purchase at each session if the timeline allows at a cost of \$10.

**Disabled Athletes:**

Disabled athletes are welcome. The athlete or coach should contact the Meet Referee if any special considerations are needed. Motivational Time Standards for each athlete's competition classification will be used for entry time standards.

**Scoring and Awards:**

Prelims/Finals Sessions 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6 - Individual High Point award will be given to the top 3 male and female finishers in the 10&U 11-12, 13-14, 15&O categories. Points will be scored for 1-16<sup>th</sup> (20-17-16-15-14-13-12-11-9-7-6-5-4-3-2-1) or 1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> if 8 or less swimmers are in finals (20-17-16-15-14-13-12-11). There will be no points awarded for relays and no team scoring. Ties will be broken by using the Hy-Tek Age Group Point System.

Hot Heats – Prelims heats selected at random shall have a prize for the heat winner. The prizes will be available to claim immediately following the heat and will be announced over the loudspeaker before/after the heat.

Session 3 (novice) - Ribbons for 1-8<sup>th</sup> place finishers in each event. Ribbons will be distributed for Session 3 only. There will be no individual points or team scoring for session 3.

**Vendor, Concessions and Hospitality:**

A vendor will be on site to print shirts/sweatshirts and merchandise during the meet. The GCCC operates a snack bar that may be open each day of the meet and the facility has a limited number of vending machines. No additional concessions may be available for sale each day.

A hospitality area will be available throughout the meet for coaches and meet officials only.

**Safe Sport:**

Current USA Swimming Rules, including the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy (“MAAPP”), will govern this meet.

All applicable adults participating in or associated with the meet acknowledge that they are subject to the provisions of the USA Swimming Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy (“MAAPP”), and that they understand that compliance with the MAAPP policy is a condition of participation in the conduct of this competition. No swimmer who is not a member of USA Swimming shall be allowed to compete. A meet recon prior to the meet will help identify any athlete that is not in compliance. While it is absolutely the responsibility of the athlete member to complete the requirements of membership (including APT for 18 & over athletes), as a safeguard, it is the responsibility of the LSC to ensure that all swimmers competing in a sanctioned event be members of USA Swimming in good standing.

**Special Meet Notes:**

1. All teams may be assigned timing responsibilities. Entry submission is acknowledgement of this potential timing requirement.
2. The meet referee is the final authority for the conduct of the meet and shall have the final authority on all procedures regarding the conduct of the meet. The referee may combine individual events by age, sex, and/or distance.
3. Fly over starts may be used at the discretion of the Meet Referee.
4. All Friday events will need to provide their own timers/counters.
5. Swimmers in Session 1 must provide their own timers & counters.
6. Swimmers in the 500 free swum in prelims must provide their own timers and counter.
7. Top 8 swimmers in the 500 free swum in finals need to provide their own counters.
8. Deck changes are prohibited.
9. Coaches and officials and spectators will use the designated family bathrooms located in between the male and female locker rooms.
10. Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone camera, is not permitted in changing areas, restrooms, or locker rooms.
11. On deck photography is not allowed from behind the starting blocks.
12. Drones are prohibited over venues any time athletes, coaches, officials and /or spectators are present.
13. Usage of any tobacco products or alcoholic beverages is not allowed in any area that swimmers frequent.
14. No glass will be allowed on deck.
15. All swimwear must conform to current USA Swimming Rules including 12 and under tech suit policies.
16. Changes in the schedules are at the discretion of the Meet Director and Meet Referee.

<b>Session 1</b>	<b>Friday PM</b>		
<b>Women</b>			<b>Men</b>
1	Open	4 x 100 Medley Relay exhibition**	2
3	11 & over	400 IM Timed Finals*	4
5	10 & under	200 IM Timed Finals*	6
7	11 & over	1650 Timed finals*	8
* Cap of 24 swimmers per event			
** Exhibition only			
<b>NOTE: All Teams and Swimmers in session 1 need to provide own timers and counters</b>			

<b>Session 2</b>	<b>Saturday AM Prelims</b>		
<b>Women</b>			<b>Men</b>
9***	Open (1 swimmer from each age group)	200 Free Relay Exhibition***	10***
*** Exhibition only and Relay should try to be comprised of 1 swimmer from each age group 10&u, 11-12, 13-14, 15&over)			
11	10 & under	100 Breast (Timed final in prelims)	12
13	11 & over	100 Breast	14
15	10 & under	200 Free (Timed final in prelims)	16
17	11 & over	200 Free	18
19	10 & under	50 Fly (Timed final in prelims)	20
21	11-12	50 Fly	22
23	10 & under	100 Backstroke (Timed final in prelims)	24
25	11& over	100 Backstroke	26
27	11 & over	200 IM	28
29	10 & under	50 Free (Timed final in prelims)	30
31	11 & over	50 Free	32
33	12 & under	200 Fly (Timed final in prelims)	34
35	13 & over	200 Fly	36

<b>Session 3 ☆</b>	<b>Saturday Novice Session</b>		
<b>Mixed</b>			
37	12 & under	100 Free	
38	8 and under	25 Free	
39	12 and under	50 Breast	
40	8 and under	25 Breast	
41	12 and under	50 Back	
42	8 and under	25 Back	
43	12 and under	100 IM	
44	12 and under	50 Free	
45	8 and under	25 Fly	
46	12 and under	50 Fly	
☆ Slower than BB participants only in this session			

<b>Session 4</b>	<b>Saturday Finals</b>		
<b>Women</b>			<b>Men</b>
47	Open	400 Free Relay	48
	11-12	100 Breast	
	13-14	100 Breast	
	15 & over	100 Breast	
	11-12	200 Free	
	13-14	200 Free	
	15 & over	200 Free	
	11-12	50 Fly	
	11-12	100 Back	
	13-14	100 Back	
	15 & over	100 Back	
	11-12	200 IM	
	13-14	200 IM	
	15 & over	200 IM	
	11-12	50 Free	
	13-14	50 Free	
	15 & over	50 Free	
	13-14	200 Fly	
	15 & over	200 Fly	

<b>Session 5</b>	<b>Sunday Prelims</b>		
<b>Women</b>			<b>Men</b>
49***	Open (1 swimmer from each age group)	200 Medley Relay Exhibition ***	50***
*** Exhibition only and Relay should try to be comprised of 1 swimmer from each age group 10&u, 11-12, 13-14, 15&over)			
51	12 & under	200 Breast (Timed final in prelims)	52
53	13 & over	200 Breast	54
55	10 & under	50 Back (Timed final in prelims)	56
57	11-12	50 Back	58
59	10 & under	100 Fly (Timed final in prelims)	60
61	11 & over	100 Fly	62
63	12 & under	200 Back (Timed final in prelims)	64
65	13 & over	200 Back	66
67	10 & under	100 Free (Timed final in prelims)	68
69	11 & over	100 Free	70
71	10 & under	50 Breast (Timed final in prelims)	72
73	11-12	50 Breast	74
75	11 & Over	500 Free * (fastest heat will swim in finals)	76
*Cap of 24 swimmers for this event (fastest 8 will swim in finals Session 6)			



Session 6	Sunday Finals		
Women			Men
	13-14	200 Breast	
	15 & over	200 Breast	
	11-12	50 Back	
	11-12	100 Fly	
	13-14	100 Fly	
	15 & over	100 Fly	
	11 & over	500 Free (fastest heat only)	
	13-14	200 Back	
	15 & over	200 Back	
	11-12	100 Free	
	13-14	100 Free	
	15 & over	100 Free	
	11-12	50 Breast	

Click to link to the [USA Swim National Age group time standards](#)