



2024 NI Buffalo Sports Commission Summer Invitational

June 28-30, 2024

Sanction # NI-2324-066

Hosted by:
STAR SWIMMING



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SANCTION		• Held under the sanction of USA Swimming through Niagara Swimming: NI-2324-066. • In granting this sanction it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming, Niagara Swimming, STAR SWIMMING, and Burt Flickinger Athletic Center shall be held free and harmless from any and all liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of this event.			
FACILITY		Burt Flickinger Athletic Center 21 Oak St. Buffalo, NY, 14203 716-851-1220 • 8 lanes, 50 meters (LCM) ▾ • Water depth range of 7 feet at the starting end and 13 feet and 6 inches at the turning end. • Meet host will ensure the required course dimensions.			
ENTRY DEADLINE		Entry Period Start: June 6 at 9:00 AM Entry Deadline: June 17 at 9:00 PM IMPORTANT: The above date is the deadline for clubs to submit their entries to the Meet Director. Therefore, clubs usually set an earlier deadline to receive entries from their swimmers. Check with your club for this information.			
SCHEDULE		FRIDAY, JUNE 28 All Ages: Warm Up: 3:30 PM Meet Starts: 5:00 PM SATURDAY, JUNE 29 13 & Over: Warm Up: 7:30 AM Meet Starts: 8:30 AM 12 & Under: Warm Up: 12:30 PM Meet Starts: 1:30 PM SUNDAY, JUNE 30 13 & Over: Warm Up: 7:30 AM Meet Starts: 8:30 AM 12 & Under: Warm Up: 12:30 PM Meet Starts: 1:30 PM • Meet Director reserves the right to adjust times/sessions after entries are received.			
ELIGIBILITY		• Open to all registered USA Swimmers. • No swimmer will be permitted to compete in the meet unless the swimmer is registered as an athlete member of USA Swimming as provided in <i>USA Swimming Rules and Regulations</i>, Article 302.			

DISABILITY SWIMMERS	NI and host clubs along with their meet directors are committed to the Inclusion Policy as adopted by the NI BOD. Athletes with a disability are welcomed and are asked to provide advance notice of desired accommodations to the Meet Director. The athlete (or athlete's coach) is also responsible for notifying the session referee of any disability prior to competition.
TIMING SYSTEM	- Automatic timing will be used. - Colorado Electronic Timing system with flat wall touch pads, horn starts, and scoreboard readouts
RULES	- Current USA Swimming rules shall govern this meet. - All adults participating in or associated with this 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 MAAPP is a condition of participation in the conduct of this competition. - No on-deck USA-S registration is permitted. - In compliance with <i>USA Swimming Rules and Regulations</i>, the use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone is not permitted in the changing areas, rest rooms, or locker rooms. Per NI policy, the use of equipment capable of taking pictures (e.g., cell phones, cameras, etc.) is banned from behind the starting blocks during the entire meet, including warm up, competition and cool down periods. - Deck changes are prohibited. - Any swimmer entered in the meet must be certified by a USA Swimming member coach as being proficient in performing a racing start or must start each race from within the water. When unaccompanied by a member-coach, it is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement. - Operation of a drone or any other flying devices is prohibited over the venue (pools, athlete/coach areas, spectator areas and open ceiling locker rooms) any time athletes, coaches, officials and/or spectators are present. - Dive-over starts will be used. - The Meet Director and the NI Technical Committee reserve the right to limit events, heats, swimmers or adjust the format to conform with the 4-hour provision for sessions that include 12 & U events per Rule 205.3.1F.
EVENT RULES	- All events are timed finals. - No athlete may enter in more than five (5) individual events per day.
POSITIVE CHECK IN	On Friday, Saturday, and Sunday all events will be DECK SEEDED. Positive check in will be located on the glass wall between the main competition pool and the warm down pool.
WARM-UP	The prescribed NI warm-up procedures and safety policies will be followed. The Meet Director may determine the structure of warm-up, including times/lane assignments.
SUPERVISION	Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their swimmers and cleaning up for their team areas.
SEEDING	All events on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday will be DECK SEEDED. You must check in for all DECK SEEDED events 45 minutes prior to the start of the session. If you are traveling and are unable to meet the check in deadline, please contact the Meet Directors prior to the deadline, who will accept an email as a positive check in. Failure to check in will result in an automatic SCRATCH from the event. The 1500 meter freestyle may be limited, at the discretion of the meet directors, to stay within the timeline.
SCORING	

	Per the current USA Swimming Rulebook
AWARDS	12 & Under Individual: Ribbons 1st – 3rd; 8 & Under: Ribbons 1st – 8th. Relay: 10 & under, 12 & under: Ribbons 1st – 3rd **During the 12 & under sessions, there will be random bell ringer heats throughout the session**
PROGRAMS	Heat sheets will be provided for coaches and officials only. Digital copies will be posted on starswimming.org under the meet sheets tab.
CREDENTIALS	Parents not working the meet as a deck official, volunteer timer or other position are not permitted on deck. Only athletes, USA Swimming certified coaches, and deck officials will be permitted on the deck. Coaches and Officials should have proof of active USA Swimming membership with them at all times.
SPECTATOR ENTRY FEE	- Admission is \$5.00 per session for those attending the meet. - The meet will be accessible to all parents by a live stream provided by STAR Swimming using this YouTube link https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0JtD68fNRG-6r3FneEdkng.
OFFICIALS	- Officials interested in volunteering should contact Leo Gibbons lgjr1953@gmail.com and RSVP on TeamApp. - Officials volunteering for this meet should sign in at the recording table prior to the start of warm-ups. Certified officials who have not previously volunteered should contact the referee upon arrival to make their services available. A comprehensive officials briefing will precede each session during warm-ups.
TIMERS	STAR Swimming will be providing timers throughout the duration of the meet. At the discretion of the meet director, teams may need to provide timers, based on the number of athletes entered in the meet per team. Athletes must provide their own timer for the 800m freestyle.
ENTRY PROCEDURES	- Entries should be submitted by email to the Meet Director. - Include in the subject of the email, “2024 NI Buffalo Sports Commission Summer Invitational - ****” with the club’s initials in place of the asterisks. If your club submits multiple entry files, include the training site in the subject of the email. - Include in the entry email: entry file, report of entries by name, report of entries by event. - In the body of your email provide entry numbers (girls, boys, totals), contact information (email, phone, officials contact). - Entries directly from individual team members will not be accepted. - Entries by phone or fax will not be accepted. - The Meet Director will acknowledge receipt by return email within 24 hours. If acknowledgement is not received in a timely manner, please contact the Meet Director. - Any club that enters an unregistered or improperly registered athlete, falsifies an entry in any way, or permits an unregistered coach to represent them will be fined the sum of \$100 by NI and no further entries will be accepted from that club until the said fine is paid.
ENTRY FEES	Per Swimmer Surcharge: \$7.00 Relay event fee: \$15.00 Individual event fee: \$6.00 Make checks payable to STAR Swimming, INC. Checks may be mailed to:

	STAR Swimming P.O. Box 361 Hamburg, NY, 14075 • Payment for entries from unattached swimmers not affiliated with a team must be received prior to the meet. Payment may be made by cash or check. • Entry fees are due with meet entry. Unpaid fees will be reported to the NI Administrative Office at the conclusion of the meet.
Available Medical Supervision/Equipment	• Medical assistance will be provided at the facility. If you require medical assistance, please notify a member of the meet staff. AED, backboard, & First Aid supplies at facility.

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[sessions, schedule]

Friday, June 28

GIRLS	EVENT	BOYS
1	12 & Under 200 IM	2
101	Open 400 IM	102
3	12 & Under 200 FREE	4
103	OPEN 400 FREE	104

Saturday, June 29

GIRLS	EVENT	BOYS
5	8 & Under 50 BACK	6
7	12 & Under 50 BACK	8
9	8 & Under 100 FREE	10
11	12 & Under 100 FREE	12
13	12 & Under 100 BREAST	14
15	8 & Under 50 FLY	16
17	12 & Under 50 FLY	18
19	10 & Under 200 MEDLEY RELAY	20
21	12 & Under 200 MEDLEY RELAY	22

Sunday, June 30

GIRLS	EVENT	BOYS
23	8 & Under 50 FREE	24
25	12 & Under 50 FREE	26
27	12 & Under 100 BACK	28
29	8 & Under 50 BREAST	30
31	12 & Under 50 BREAST	32
33	12 & Under 100 FLY	34
35	10 & Under 200 FREE RELAY	36
37	12 & Under 200 FREE RELAY	38

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105	100 FREE	106
107	100 BACK	108
109	200 BREAST	110
111	100 FLY	112
113	200 IM	114
115	200 MEDLEY RELAY	116

Sunday, June 30

GIRLS	EVENT	BOYS
117	50 FREE	118
119	200 BACK	120
121	200 FREE	122
123	100 BREAST	124
125	200 FLY	126
127	200 FREE RELAY	128
	10 MINUTE BREAK	
129	1500 FREE	130

The 1500 freestyle may be limited, at the discretion of the meet director, to stay within the timeline. It will be swum fastest to slowest, alternating heats of women, then men.