

MARS May Divisional BB/B/C Meet

May 23-24, 2025

Sanction #: NT 039-25
Held under the sanction of USA Swimming by North Texas Swimming, Inc.

MAAPP: All applicable 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 the MAAPP policy is a condition of participation in the conduct of this competition.

APT: Adult athletes (18 and older or those who turn 18 during the meet) must complete Athlete Protection Training (APT) prior to the first day of the meet and show proof of completion in their USA Swimming account prior to competing. Times achieved by an adult athlete who competes without completing this membership requirement will NOT count for qualification or recognition in individual events or relays.

SAFE SPORT: To protect the safety of parties involved in misconduct investigations or allegations and to support a fair investigation, temporary measures may be imposed that place conditions and/or restrictions on an individual's ability to participate in North Texas Sanctioned Meets. The temporary measures may remain in place while an investigation by the team, the LSC, USA Swimming, The USA Center for Safe Sport or any law enforcement agency is on-going.

Venue: Arlington ISD Natatorium, 1001 E Division St, Arlington, TX. 76011

Facility: One 10 lane, or two 8 lane courses for competition with four or more lanes available for continuous warm up. One or two Colorado Gen7 timing systems and scoreboard will be in use. Hy-Tek Meet Manager will be in use. Current USA Swimming, Inc. rules will apply. North Texas Swimming safety guidelines and warm-up procedures will be in effect at this meet. To meet safety regulations, the pool deck is limited to swimmers, coaches, officials, timers, and meets personnel only. Parents and other spectators must remain in the bleachers above the pool. No chairs are allowed in the bleacher area except for "stadium seats". ****Clear Bag Policy- see attachment****

Water Depth: The minimum water depth, measured in accordance with Article 103.2.3, is 13 feet, 0 inches at the start end and the turn end is 6 feet, 7 inches measured for 1.0 meter to 5.0 meters from both end walls.

Course

Certification: The competition course has not been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C (4).

Spectator

Information: To meet safety regulations, the pool deck is limited to swimmers, coaches, officials, timers, and meet personnel only. Parents and other spectators must remain in the bleachers above the pool. No chairs are allowed in the bleacher area except for "stadium seats". No standing along the railing will be allowed. No food or drink (except water) is allowed on the deck.

Sanction: This meet has been sanctioned by North Texas Swimming and current USA Swimming rules and any relevant sections of the North Texas Policies & Procedures Manual will apply. All swimmers must be currently registered as athletes with USA Swimming by the meet entry deadline. North Texas Swimming does not allow on-deck USA Swimming registrations. Conduct of the sanctioned event shall conform in every respect to all technical and administrative rules of USA Swimming.

Liability: In granting this sanction and by any person's participation in the meet, it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming, Inc., North Texas Swimming, Inc., MARS Swimming, all meet officials, Arlington ISD Natatorium shall be free from any and all liabilities or any claims for any damages, even if such liabilities or claims are due to the negligence of such organizations, arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the meet. Damage to a facility, when proved, will cause the offending swimmer, if unattached, or the offending swimmer's team, if attached, to be held accountable for repairs.

Medical

Supervision: Arlington ISD Natatorium has Full Time and Part Time American Red Cross Certified Lifeguards. Training includes, but are not limited to, CPR, AED, and First Aid.

USA Swimming

Registration: All swimmers, coaches, and officials participating in this competition must be currently registered with USA Swimming and in good standing. No swimmer will be permitted to compete unless the swimmer is a member in good standing of USA Swimming as outlined in Article 302 in the USA Swimming Rulebook. All should also be prepared to present their USA Swimming Account as proof of their registration to the Meet Director or designee at any time. Swimmers who **1)** late enter when possible; **2)** need to be late entered because of clerical errors by the entering team or the meet host; or **3)** are not entered in this meet and choose to enter time trials, if offered, will be required to present their USA Swimming Account. Current national and LSC regulations do not allow for exceptions to these policies.

Meet Format: This is a Timed Finals meet. All events will be seeded fastest to slowest. The meet host reserves the right to conduct flyover starts, change warm-up sessions, or change meet sessions depending on the meet size.

There will be positive check for all events over 400 yards.

****Events 400 and longer will alternate 1 heat girls and 1 heat boys. Swimmers must provide their own timer & counter.**

Heat Sheets: Will be sold through Meet Mobile for \$4.99

Qualifying

Times: Swimmers may enter any event for which they have not achieved an "A" time.

Age-Up Date: The age of the swimmer will be his/her age on May 23, 2025

Restrictions: Swimmers may participate in a maximum of three (3) individual events per session.

Teams

Invited: NT Group C (LAC Keller & Justin, MAC, MARS, AAC, LIFE, MTRO-FW)

Entry

Deadline: Thursday, May 15, 2025, by 6:00pm CST.

Entry

Procedures: All entries must be submitted using Hy-Tek Team Manager or its equivalent to the Entries Chair. Email is the preferred method of delivery; if you need to submit entries in another format, please contact the Entries chair to make other arrangements. Include a meet entry Report of your entries, listing the swimmer, USA Swimming ID, and entries by swimmer.

Entries Chair:

Brian Dangelmaier
MARS Swimming
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Daily

Schedule: Warm-ups will be conducted in accordance with the current NTSI Safety Guidelines and Warm-up Procedures attached.

Session 1 Friday, May 23

Warm-up 5:00 - 5:25 pm
One-way Sprints 5:25 - 5:35 pm
Meet Starts 5:40 pm

Session 2 Saturday, May 24

Warm up 8:15 – 8:45am
One-way Sprints 8:45 – 8:55 am
Meet Starts 9:00 am

Session 3 Saturday, May 24

Warm up 12:30 – 1:00 pm
One-way Sprints 1:00 – 1:10 pm
Meet Starts 1:15 pm

Entry Fees: Individual Event: \$6.00
Surcharge: \$20.00 (\$3.00 will go to North Texas Swimming, Inc.)

Deck Entries: No deck entries allowed

Meet Staff: **Meet Referee:** Bob Lang
Starter: Henry Chin
Stroke & Turn Officials: Stephanie Snodgrass & Sam Smith
Admin Official (or Referee): Lee Miller
Meet Director: Brian Dangelmaier
Head Safety Marshall: Shannon Gillespy
Club Safe Sport Chair: Jennifer McGonigle

Cell Phone

Restrictions: Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms. No cameras (including cell phone cameras) or other recording devices are allowed behind the blocks at any time

Drone

Restrictions: Operation of a drone, or any other flying apparatus, 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.

Racing Starts: 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 without the use of the backstroke ledge. A racing start includes all forward starts from the block or deck, and any backstroke start, including the use of ledges. 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.

Unaccompanied

Swimmers: 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 warm down. The Meet Director or Meet Referee may assist the swimmer in making arrangements for such supervision, but it is the swimmer's responsibility to make such arrangements prior to the start of the meet. (USA Swimming Rule 202.5.3)

Swimmer

Photographs

and Videos: There may be one or more photographers and/or videographers on deck at this meet. In the event such personnel are present, parents or guardians of swimmers under the age of 18 who do not wish to have photos or videos of their athletes taken are required to contact the Meet Director prior to the beginning of warm-ups. Photographers and videographers are strongly encouraged to stay out of the area immediately behind the starting blocks, but if present are specifically prohibited from making shots during the start phase of any race.

Deck

Changing: Deck changes are prohibited.

Swimmers with

Disabilities: Coaches and or swimmers are responsible for notifying the meet referee of any disability prior to the competition and for providing their own assistant or equipment. However, coaches/swimmers may contact the meet director at least two weeks in advance of the meet to reserve proper equipment. In any meet sanctioned or approved by North Texas Swimming, Inc., which may include one or more swimmers with visual, hearing, mental, or physical disabilities; the judging of such competitors shall be in strict accordance with the current USA Swimming Rules and Regulations, i.e., Article 105. Coaches and/or athletes shall notify the Meet Referee two weeks before the event begins if they wish to be accommodated under Article 105.

Officials: All currently certified and in-training USA Swimming officials are cordially invited to participate. All deck officials must be currently registered with USA Swimming and have a current Background Check, Athlete Protection Course, and Concussion Protocol Training acknowledged by USA Swimming. Uniform is white over navy pants, shorts or skirt as applicable; white deck shoes. Officials are requested to arrive one hour before meet start for an officials' briefing

Timers: MARS will attempt to provide all timers for this meet but may ask for volunteers.

Awards: Ribbons will be awarded for 1st-8th place for individual events. Awards must be picked up at the meet.

Scoring: Events will be scored by age group and gender as follows: 9-7-6-5-4-3-2-1.

Order of Events
Friday, May 23 - Session 1

Girls	Events	Boys
1	100 Fly	2
3	12 & under 100 IM	4
5	200 Free	6
7	100 Back	8
9	100 Breast	10
11	400 IM **	12

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Saturday, May 24 - Session 2

Girls	Events (12 & under)	Boys
13	200 IM	14
15	50 Free	16
17	50 Back	18
19	50 Fly	20
21	100 Free	22
23	50 Breast	24
25	500 Free**	26

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Saturday, May 24 - Session 3

Girls	Events (13 & over)	Boys
27	200 IM	28
29	50 Free	30
31	200 Back	32
33	200 Fly	34
35	100 Free	36
37	200 Breast	38
39	500 Free**	40

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NEW BAG POLICY FOR ALL ARLINGTON ISD EVENTS

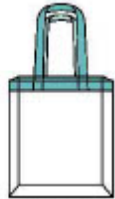
Limit one (1) bag per person



To provide a safer environment and to expedite entry into events, the Arlington ISD has implemented a new bag policy for all ticketed events that limit the size and type of items that may be brought into the venue.



PERMITTED ITEMS



CLEAR TOTE

Bags that are clear plastic, vinyl or PVC and not exceeding **12"W x 6"D x 12"H**



ZIP TOP BAGS

Bags that are clear plastic, vinyl or PVC and not exceeding **1 GALLON**



SMALL CLUTCH

No larger than a hand or **4.5"W x 6"D x 6.5"H**



DIAPER BAG

if they are accompanied by an infant/small child

SIMPLE SEAT CUSHION

(with or without a back) **without pockets, zippers, compartments or covers**



Bottled water, binoculars, phones or cameras can be carried into the venue as long as they are not in an unapproved bag. Exceptions will be made for medically necessary items.



PROHIBITED ITEMS

PURSES, TOTES OR BAGS LARGER THAN A CLUTCH BAG

COOLERS

CINCH BAGS

BACKPACKS

COMPUTER BAGS

BRIEFCASES

DUFFLE BAGS

FANNY PACKS

LUGGAGE BAGS

CAMERA BAG

BINOCULAR CASE



Non-service animals, outside food or drink, sports balls of any kind, drones, alcohol, laser pointers, glitter, confetti, streamers, baby powder or similar substance, skates, skateboards, bicycles, weapons or projectiles, mace or pepper spray, and any other illegal substances or contraband are also prohibited.



No in and out privileges. Re-entry requires purchase of a new ticket.

Safety Guidelines and Warm-up Procedures

A. WARM-UP PROCEDURES

I. Assigned Warm-up Procedures

- a. Warm-up lanes and times will be assigned to competing teams based on number of entrants.
- b. All warm-up activities will be coordinated by the coach(es) supervising that lane.
- c. Dive sprints may be done only under the direct supervision of the coach.

II. Open Warm-up Procedures

LANE USE

POOL	PUSH/PACE	DIVES/SPRINTS	G E N E R A L W A R M U P
10 Lanes	1 and 10	2 and 9	3 through 8
8 Lanes	1 and 8	2 and 7	3 through 6
6 Lanes	1 and 6	2 and 5	3 and 4

- a. The first half of the assigned warm-up time shall be general warm-up for all lanes.
- b. Push/Pace lanes will push off one or two lengths from starting end.
- c. Sprint lanes are for diving from blocks or for backstroke starts in specified lanes at designated times—one way only.
- d. Dive sprints may only be done under the direct supervision of the coach.
- e. There will be no diving in the general warm-up lanes—circle swimming only.

III. Safety Guidelines

a. Coaches are responsible for the following:

1. Instructing swimmers regarding safety guidelines and warm-up procedures as they apply to conduct at meets and practices.
2. Actively supervising their swimmers throughout the warm-up sessions, at meets, and all practices.
3. Maintaining as much contact with their swimmers AS POSSIBLE, both verbal and visual, throughout the warm-up period.

b. The host team will be responsible for the following:

1. A minimum of four marshals who report to and receive instructions from the Meet Referee and/or Director shall be on deck during the entire warm-up session(s).
2. Marshals will have the authority to remove from the deck for the remainder of a warm-up session, any swimmer or coach found to be in violation of these procedures.
3. The host team shall provide signs for each lane at both ends of the pool, indicating their designated use during warm-ups.
4. Warm-up times and lane assignments will be published in the meet information and posted at several locations around the pool area and the following statement will appear in the meet information: "North Texas Swimming Safety Guidelines and Warm-up Procedures will be in effect at this meet."
5. An announcer will be on duty for the entire warm-up session to announce lane and/or time changes and to assist with the conduct of the warm-up.
6. Hazards in locker rooms, on deck, or in areas used by coaches, swimmers, or officials will be either removed or clearly marked.

NOTE: Host Clubs, with the consent of the Meet Referee, may modify the time schedule or recommended lane

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assignments depending on pool configuration, number of swimmers, or other considerations; so long as safety considerations are not compromised. Any such changes will be announced and/or prominently posted in the pool area.