

Pacific Northwest Swimming Rules and Procedures	Recognition of Alternate Times
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<p>10/21/02: Original Draft 09/26/05: Original Approved Policy 05/09/09: Clarification that unobserved Washington State High School District and State meet results are acceptable times for PNS meets; remove requirement that swimmers be PNS registered prior to these swims for consistency with USA Swimming SWIMS database policy 06/27/20: Updated the National level meets that are not allowed for alternate time use. Included the provision to allow special situations permitted by USAS or PNS.</p>	

1. Applicability of Alternate Acceptable times policy

- a. This policy identifies the acceptability of entry times solely for meets that are controlled by PNS Policies and procedures.
- b. Meets that are NOT controlled by PNS Policies and procedures are NOT covered by this policy, e.g., U.S. Olympic Team Trials, USA Swimming Nationals, USA Swimming Junior Nationals, Pro Series, Futures, US Open, Senior Sectionals (Speedo Challenge Series), Western Zone Championships and NW Age Group Regionals.
- c. Meets that are NOT controlled by PNS Policies and procedures may or may not recognize alternate times as acceptable per their governing policies and procedures.

2. Alternate acceptable meets/results

- a. Times achieved by USA/PNS registered athletes at any of the following meets will be considered valid entry times for meets controlled by PNS Policies and procedures:
 - i. Non-observed Washington State High School District level meets
 - ii. Non-observed Washington State High School State level meet
 - iii. All FINA meets
 - iv. All Canadian meets
 - v. All YMCA, NCAA, NAIA competitions
 - vi. Special Situations as authorized by USA Swimming or PNS Board of Directors.
- b. Meets not identified above are subject to the terms and conditions for sanctioning and approval in PNS Administrative Policy 97-03.

3. Recording of alternate acceptable results

- a. It is the responsibility of affected athletes to ensure that results from alternate acceptable meets are submitted to the PNS Program Operations Vice Chairman for recording in the PNS database.
- b. Alternate acceptable results that are NOT recorded in the PNS database will be considered UNPROVED.