



2024 Gamecock Aquatics November Invitational

Date of Meet: November 15–17, 2024

Meet Sanction: Held under the sanction of USA Swimming issued by SC Swimming:
Sanction Number: SC2547SCY Time Trial Number: SC2548TT

Host Club: Gamecock Aquatics

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Facility: The University of South Carolina Natatorium, located in the Solomon Blatt PE Center, 1300 Wheat Street, Columbia, SC, is a semi-open-air facility that contains a ten-lane, 25-yard competition pool, with an adjacent 12 lane, 25-yard warm down pool and an additional diving well. The water depth of the competition pool is 7 feet deep measured from one (1) meter to five (5) meters at the starting end of the course and 6 feet deep measured from one (1) meter to five (5) meters at the turn end of the course. The competition course has not been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4).

The pool deck capacity will be 500 people as per SCDHEC and the University of South Carolina.

Operation of a drone, or any other flying apparatus, is prohibited over the venue (pool, athlete/coach areas, spectator areas, and open ceiling locker rooms) any time athletes, coaches, officials, and/or spectators are present.

MEDICAL SUPERVISION: Provided by University of South Carolina lifeguarding staff.

PARKING: Garages and metered parking are available. Do not park in permit areas or reserved parking. Any vehicles parked in spaces marked "reserved" are subject to towing at the owner's expense.

ENTRY TO THE NATATORIUM: Entry to the pool for swimmers, officials, and spectators will be through the doors to the east side of the complex through the doors below the Gamecock awning adjacent to the back of the parking lot. Swimmers will be allowed on the pool deck no sooner than 15 minutes before warmups for their session. The front entrance (on Wheat Street) is only for those with USC identification and those needing ADA entry.

- Only swimmers, meet officials, coaches, and meet personnel with proper credentials will be allowed on the pool deck.
- There will be bleachers on deck for swimmers. The diving equipment is always off-limits.
- Safety Marshals will be assigned to supervise all sessions of the meet and will have the authority to remove any swimmer, coach, parent, or club from the pool and facility, if necessary, for not adhering to the facility and meet safety rules.

- Any swimmer found to be abusing any area of the facility will be barred from future competition and will also be barred from the facility. The team of any swimmer found to be abusing the facility will be held responsible for any and all repairs resulting from the abuse.
- No glass containers allowed inside the pool area.
- Hallways and stairwells must remain clear and easily accessible at all times.
- No flash photography.

Rules:

1. Meet to be conducted in accordance with the current USA Swimming and SC Swimming Rules and Regulations and information herein.
2. In accordance with USA Swimming, there will be a designated swimmer area. This area is only open to those swimming in the meet. Parents/guardians must remain in spectator areas on the second level of the building.
3. MAAPP 2.0: 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") 2.0, and that they understand that compliance with the MAAPP 2.0 policy is a condition of participation in the conduct of this competition.
4. SWIMWEAR: No technical suit may be worn by any 12 & Under USA Swimming athlete member in competition at any Sanctioned, Approved or Observed meet (USA Swimming Rule 102.8.1F).
5. Deck changing is prohibited by USA Swimming and South Carolina Swimming. A first offense will result in the disqualification of the offending swimmer from the next scheduled event. The second offense for the same swimmer will result in the disqualification from the rest of the meet.
6. Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, restrooms, or locker rooms. Use of these devices is not allowed behind the starting blocks either.
7. The use of pull buoys, paddles, kickboards, bands, tubing, and other equipment is prohibited.

Athlete Eligibility:

This meet is open to all swimmers currently registered with USA Swimming. Age is to be determined by the first day of the meet. All USA Swimming registration numbers will be verified via SWIMS or the SCLSC Registrar. USA Swimming registrations will not be accepted on deck.

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.

Image Release:

By attending or participating in this competition, you agree to be filmed and photographed by the host club approved photographer(s) and videographer(s) and to allow the right to use names and pictures before, during, or after the meet such as in public psych sheets, heat sheets, and results or featured on the host club or SCLSC website or social media or in public broadcast of the event via television or webcast. Parents and guardians of minor swimmers who do not wish their swimmers to participate in interviews or have individual pictures featured on any media should inform their team's head coach and the Meet Director prior to the start of the meet.

Entry Fees:

\$5.00 per individual event
 \$38.00 facility fee per swimmer
 \$2.00 SCLSC Travel Fund/Program fee per swimmer
 \$2.00 Out-of-LSC Travel Fund/Program fee per swimmer

\$2.00 SCLSC Sports Development fee per swimmer
\$5.00 Electronic heat sheet fee per swimmer
\$8.00 per time trial
\$8.00 per deck/late entry individual event

Deck entry and time trial fees must be paid in cash prior to the event.

Entry Limit: Swimmers age 13 and older may enter up to three (3) individual events per session including time trials, with a maximum of eight (8) events for the meet. Swimmers age 12 and under may enter up to four (4) individual events per session including time trials, with a maximum of nine (9) events for the meet.

Meet Format: This will be a prelims/finals meet for swimmers age 13 and over (except where Open events are designated as timed finals) and a timed finals meet for swimmers age 12 and under.

Meet management reserves the right to adjust the number of heats, lanes, warm-up times, and session start times based upon the number of entries or the meet timeline.

A swimmer that misses their assigned heat will not be entered into another heat of that event unless circumstances are beyond the swimmer's control as determined by the meet referee and the swimmer may be allowed to swim.

Warm-up procedures: Team lane assignments may be made for each session. All SCLSC and USA Swimming safety guidelines will be enforced. In order for swimmers to warm-up a USA Swimming registered coach must be present. If a coach cannot attend warm-up for his or her team please contact the meet host.

Distance events will be swum fastest to slowest; all other timed final events will be swum slowest to fastest.

Dive-over starts will be used at the discretion of the Meet Referee and the Meet Director.

Meet management reserves the right to insert breaks in the meet where necessary to allow athletes proper rest.

Time Trials Time trials will be held at the end of prelims sessions based on timelines and at the discretion of the Meet Director. Time trial fees must be paid in cash prior to the event. Time trial swimmers must provide their own timer and lap counter (if needed).

Finals Format: D-C-B-A. D final is 13-14 protected.

Positive Check-ins and Scratch Rules: Positive check-in is required for events 1 and 2 (500 freestyle), 15 and 16 (400 IM), and 41 and 42 (1000 freestyle). The deadline for check-in will be 60 minutes before the start of the event. A swimmer who is positively checked in for a deck seeded event who does not swim will be barred from the next individual event in which the swimmer is entered.

There will be no penalty for not swimming pre-seeded events; it would be appreciated if a coach would inform Clerk of Course of any swimmers scratching from the meet.

Time of Meet:

Day	Session	Session Info	Ages	Warm-up Start	Session Start
1	1	Friday TF	Open	4:30 pm	5:30 pm
2	2	Saturday Prelims	Open	8:30 am	10:00 am

2	3	Saturday TF	12 and under	15 minutes after Session 2	After 45 minutes of warmup
2	4	Saturday Finals	Open	4:00 pm	5:00 pm
3	5	Sunday Prelims	Open	8:00 am	9:30 am
3	6	Sunday TF	12 and under	15 minutes after Session 5	After 45 minutes of warmup
3	7	Sunday Finals	Open	4:00 pm	5:00 pm

Entries: **Meet entries:** Entries will be accepted beginning September 30, 2024. SC Swimming does not accept deck registrations as all swimmers entered must be registered at time of entry deadline.

Clubs should submit the Meet Entry Summary Sheet and a single check payable to Gamecock Aquatics for the full amount due for an entry to be complete. Payment must be received by Friday, November 15, 2024. Deck entries will only be considered after the deadline and must be accompanied by the swimmer's USA ID number. Deck entries will be available if there is an open lane but not if it causes an additional heat. Deck entries must be paid in cash prior to the swim event.

Deadline and capacity: All entries must be received no later than Wednesday, November 6, 2024; however, registration will close sooner if the 500-swimmer limit for the meet is met before the registration deadline. Gamecock Aquatics reserves the right to enter all its swimmers. The meet will close after the team whose entries take registration to capacity are received by Gamecock Aquatics and entered in the meet. After the meet closes, clubs may not increase their number of swimmers entered in the meet.

Entry submission: Email Meet Director for the entry file or retrieve it from the meet info page on the [Gamecock Aquatics website](#). Send your completed entry file. You will receive an email confirmation and receipt of entry fees. If you need to submit updated entry files, you can submit a new form and file. Entry questions can be emailed to Meet Director at admin@gamecockaquatics.com.

Awards: There will be no awards for this meet.

Scoring: This meet will not be scored.

Timing: SST Timing system and Colorado Touchpads with 10 lane video display scoreboard will be used.

Coaches Eligibility: Coaches must be coach members of USA Swimming and display their credentials to the Meet Director when arriving at the facility before warm-ups.

*Note: Coaches and Officials meetings may be held virtually prior to the start of the meet

Other Information: **OFFICIALS:** Gamecock Aquatics welcomes visiting officials and appreciates their help in the officiating of this meet. Individuals wishing to officiate or apprentice at this meet should contact the Meet Referee as soon as possible. All officials shall show their current USA Swimming credentials and sign in at the Meet Director's table one hour prior to the first session they will be officiating.

WARM-UPS: The South Carolina LSC Procedures will be in effect. Warm-up assignments will be posted prior to the start of each session. Coaches are required to always supervise their swimmers. Diving is permitted only during specific warm-up times as announced. The Meet

Director reserves the right to adjust warm-up times after reviewing the projected timeline. Coaches will be informed of any adjustments in the warm-up schedule via email and/or at the coaches meeting.

SAFETY: Running and horseplay are both prohibited. Glass containers and bottles are prohibited inside the pool area. The use of pull buoys, paddles, kickboards, bands, tubing, and other equipment is prohibited. Deck marshals will be assigned to supervise and have the authority to remove individuals for improper behavior.

POOL AREA: Only swimmers, officials, coaches, and meet personnel are allowed on the deck. No food or drinks are allowed on the deck. Deck chairs are prohibited as there is ample bleacher space for swimmers. Teams may be assigned seating and these assignments will be posted at the check-in desk and the officials office.

TIMERS: Each swimmer in distance events (500 Free, 400 IM, 1000 Free) will be required to provide their own timer and counter when appropriate.

HOSPITALITY: Hospitality will be open for coaches and officials throughout the meet just off the pool deck in a designated area.

HEAT SHEETS: Will be made available online and e-mailed to the coaches. Instead of selling hard copies, the heat sheet fee will allow for access to the electronic version of the heat sheet. Hard copies will still be made for coaches.

ALTERNATE CONTACT: If you have any other questions pertaining to the meet please contact Robert Pinter by phone 319-471-5054 or email rpinter@mailbox.sc.edu.

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Order of Events

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Session 1: Friday Timed Finals			
Warm Up 4:30 pm		Meet Start: 5:30 pm	
Girls Event #	Age Group	Event	Boys Event #
1	Open	500 Freestyle*	2
3	Open	50 Freestyle	4
5	Open	200 Individual Medley	6

* Events 1 and 2 will be timed-finals requiring positive check-in, and will be limited to 4 heats of each gender.

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Session 2: Saturday AM Prelims			
Warm Up: 8:30 am		Meet Start: 10:00 am	
Girls Event #	Age Group	Event	Boys Event #
7	Open	200 Freestyle	8
9	Open	100 Butterfly	10
11	Open	100 Backstroke	12
13	Open	100 Breaststroke	14
15	Open	400 Individual Medley*	16

* Events 15 and 16 will be timed-finals requiring positive check-in, and will be limited to 4 heats of each gender.

Session 3: Saturday 12 and Under Timed Finals			
Warm Up: 15 minutes after Session 2		Meet Start: After 45 minutes of warm up	
Girls Event #	Age Group	Event	Boys Event #
17	12 & Under	200 Individual Medley	18
19	12 & Under	50 Backstroke	20
21	12 & Under	100 Breaststroke	22
23	12 & Under	100 Butterfly	24
25	12 & Under	50 Freestyle	26
27	11–12	200 Backstroke	28
29	12 & Under	100 Freestyle	30

Session 4: Saturday Finals			
Warm Up: 4:00 pm Meet Start: 5:00 pm			
Girls Event #	Age Group	Event	Boys Event #
7	Open	200 Freestyle	8
9	Open	100 Butterfly	10
11	Open	100 Backstroke	12
13	Open	100 Breaststroke	14

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Session 5: Sunday Prelims			
Warm Up: 8:00 am Meet Start: 9:30 am			
Girls Event #	Age Group	Event	Boys Event #
31	Open	200 Backstroke	32
33	Open	100 Freestyle	34
35	Open	200 Breaststroke	36
37	Open	200 Butterfly	38
39	Open	50 Freestyle	40
10 minute break			
41	11 & Over	1000 Freestyle*	42

* Events 41 and 42 will be timed-finals requiring positive check-in, and will be limited to 3 heats of each gender.

Session 6: Sunday 12 and Under Timed Finals			
Warm Up: 15 minutes after Session 5 Meet Start: After 45 minutes of warm up			
Girls Event #	Age Group	Event	Boys Event #
43	12 & Under	200 Freestyle	44
45	12 & Under	50 Butterfly	46
47	12 & Under	50 Breaststroke	48
49	12 & Under	100 Backstroke	50
51	11–12	200 Butterfly	52
53	11–12	200 Breaststroke	54
55	12 & Under	100 Individual Medley	56

Session 7: Sunday Finals			
Warm Up: 4:00 pm Meet Start: 5:00 pm			
Girls Event #	Age Group	Event	Boys Event #
31	Open	200 Backstroke	32
33	Open	100 Freestyle	34
35	Open	200 Breaststroke	36
37	Open	200 Butterfly	38
39	Open	50 Freestyle	40



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Meet Entry Summary Sheet

Total # Individual Events: _____	x \$4.00 per Event	= \$ _____
Total Number of Swimmers _____	x \$38.00 Facility Fee	= \$ _____
Total Number of Swimmers _____	x \$2.00 SCLSC Travel Fund/Program Fee	= \$ _____
Total Number of Out-of-LSC _____	x \$2.00 SCLSC Travel Fund/Program Fee	= \$ _____
Total Number of Swimmers _____	x \$2.00 SCLSC Sports Development Fee	= \$ _____
Total Number of Swimmers _____	x \$5.00 Electronic Heat Sheet Fee	= \$ _____
Total Fees:		= \$ _____

Team: _____ Team Code: _____

Number of coaches at meet: _____

Head Coach: _____

Send e-mail results to: _____

Make checks payable to Gamecock Aquatics LLC

Checks can be turned in at the meet or mailed to
Gamecock Aquatics, c/o Robert Pinter, 118 Eldon Drive, Cayce, SC 29033

I acknowledge that I am familiar with the safety rules of USA Swimming and SC Swimming regarding warm-up procedures and that I shall be responsible for the compliance of my swimmers with those rules during this meet.

It is understood and agreed that USA Swimming shall be free from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event. It is further understood that SC Swimming, Gamecock Aquatics, and University of South Carolina-Columbia shall be free from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event.

Signature/Title

Date