SMRT

Competition Policy and Procedures

- 1. The staff sets warm-up times and sends them out via email. All team members will adhere to these times. Only a swimmer's coach may alter a warm-up time, and the said coach will communicate this to parent and swimmer.
- 2. It is preferred that team members check with coaches before leaving a meet. Should it become necessary for a swimmer to leave a meet early, notify his/her coach.
- 3. Swimmers are expected to check-in with their coach before and after each of their events.
- 4. In prelim/finals formatted meets, all swimmers who qualify to compete in finals are expected to participate in these finals. It is the shared responsibility of the swimmer, parent, and coach to check prelim results to see if swimmer qualified for finals.
- 5. All team members are encouraged to return to finals sessions to support the team and take advantage of the opportunity to learn from watching.
- 6. Occasionally, alternate and relay positions open up and need to be filled. Swimmers should check with coaches before leaving prelim sessions to determine the decision to return to finals.
- 7. Swimmers/families should make every effort to notify the presiding meet coach 24 hours in advance, if they know that the swimmer will not be able to stay through the entirety of the meet. Should an emergency arise, it will be handled on a case-by-case basis between the coach, parent/guardian and swimmer.
- 8. All team members are expected to follow the team uniform policy (e.g., suit, cap, and shirt). Swimmers' appearance shall be neat and appropriate at all times.
- 9. Swimmers are expected to sit with the team and participate in all team meet activities and team meetings.
- 10. Team members and parents are expected to display proper respect and sportsmanship towards coaches, officials, meet administrators and fellow competitors.
- 11. As a matter of team pride and courtesy to the meet host, swimmers are expected to leave the SMRT team area in a neat and clean condition at the conclusion of each session of the meet.
- 12. All questions that swimmers or parents may have concerning results, officiating, or the conduct of a meet, should be referred to the SMRT coaching staff. The SMRT coaching staff, in turn, will pursue the matter through appropriate channels.
- 13. In accordance with USA Swimming rules, parents are expected to remain in the spectator area and off the immediate competitive deck unless they are working the meet in an official capacity.
- 14. Should any of the above rules be violated, presiding meet coaches reserve the right to scratch the swimmer from the remainder of the meet or withhold from subsequent competition.