

## 2025 Clover Cup

March 21-23, 2025

Sanction No: VS-25-47



	Held under the sanction of USA Swimming/Virgini	a Swimming, Inc., SANCTI	ON NO: VS-25-47
SANCTION:	<ul> <li>USA Swimming, Inc., Virginia Swimming, Inc., and Greater Richmond Aquatics Partnership, DBA SwimRVA 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.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>In applying for this sanction, the Host, SwimRVA, safety mandates and guidelines of USA Swimmin Virginia and SwimRVA.</li> </ul>		
LOCATION:	SwimRVA-CSAC, 5050 Ridgedale Parkway, Rich	mond, VA 23234	
	Phone: (804) 271-8271 (Pool front desk)		
	<ul> <li>SwimRVA-CSAC Provides 2 indoor pools and sup shop, and concession stand.</li> </ul>		
	• 50-meter competition pool with bulkhead offers 2 eight-lane, 25-yard competition pools with a depth of 7' 7" to 8' 1" end to end. Competition lanes are 8' 3" wide. All sessions will be run in the 25-yard competition pool set up for 8 lanes.		
	Myrtha track start blocks and backstroke wedges		
	Colorado System 7 timing, Dolphin watches and 0	Colorado 31' video board.	
FACILITY:	Indoor 6-lane 25-yard pool for continuous warm-u		
	American Red Cross certified lifeguards will be on duty for the duration of the contest. The facility is also equipped with first aid supplies, 2 AEDs and emergency oxygen.		
	The meet host will ensure that the competition course meets the required dimensions as specified in 103.3 USA Swimming Rules and Regulations		
	<ul> <li>In order to provide family, outside of the facility, the ability to view their athletes' events, this meet may be video streamed following all MAAPP guidelines. By attending or participating in this competition, you acknowledge and grant permission to be included in the video-streaming.</li> </ul>		
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DIRECTOR:	jacob.wallin@swimrichmond.org Phone: (804) 647-1567	adam.kennedy@swimric Phone: (804) 334-7669	chmond.org
	Open to all USA Swimming athletes registered be	fore the first day of the com	
	& Over must be slower than the time standards for the Shamrock Showdown in any event they enter at the Clover Cup.		
ELIGIBILITY:	No on deck athlete registration will be permitted.		
	<ul> <li>Athletes listed as Unattached must check in with the meet director and be assigned a supervising coach in order to warm-up and to compete.</li> </ul>		
	2024-2028 NAG time standards are in effect.		
	<ul> <li>Age on March 21, 2025, will determine age for the</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Athletes with a disability are welcome and shall pr accommodations to the Meet Director.</li> </ul>	ovide advance notice of de	sired
DISABILITY SWIMMERS:	The athlete (or the athlete's coach) is also responsible for notifying the session referee of any disability prior to the competition.		
	<ul> <li>The swimmer (or the swimmer's coach) is responsible for notifying the Meet Referee, prior to the competition, of the medical condition that is potentially life-threatening while swimming and of any requested accommodation. Early notice (e.g., concurrent with the meet entry) is encouraged to allow for any needed planning or logistical support.</li> </ul>		
	This provision does not apply to medical condition including injuries that limit range of motion.		ng while swimming,
	The swimmer/coach shall provide a Personal Ass	stant(s) as needed.	
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	Individual events: \$13.00	
	Relay events: \$21.00	
FEES:	Swimmer surcharge: \$2.50 per person (entered in the meet in any capacity)	
	<ul> <li>Payment must be received by Friday, March 21<sup>st</sup>. Failure to pay entry fees by this deadline could result in teams being barred from the meet.</li> </ul>	
	12 & Under Prelims:	
	<ul> <li>Warm-ups: No earlier than 7:00 am</li> </ul>	
	Competition: No earlier than 8:00 am	
	• 13 & Over Prelims:	
	■ Warm-ups: <b>No earlier than</b> 11:30 am	
WARM-UPS:	Competition: No earlier than 12:30 pm	
	• Finals:	
	■ Warm-ups: <b>No earlier than</b> 4:00 am	
	Competition: No earlier than 5:00 pm	
	Lane assignments for warmup will be emailed to teams NLT Monday, March 17 <sup>th</sup> .	
	check-in. Positive check-in will close at the start of the corresponding session.	
	<ul> <li>No penalty will be applied for missing a preliminary or timed final event. Scratches should be emailed to <a href="mailto:entries@swimrichmond.org">entries@swimrichmond.org</a> by 5:00 pm Thursday, March 20th.</li> </ul>	
SEEDING:	<ul> <li>The scratch procedures listed in the current USA Swimming Rules and Regulations, Article 207.11.6, sections D and E.13 only, will be in effect and apply to all heats of individual events with the exception of timed final events. Swimmers not adhering to these rules shall be barred from further competition for the remainder of the meet.</li> </ul>	
	No-show athletes who miss their final event will be removed from their next individual event.	
	Ribbons will be awarded for 1st – 16th for all 12 & under events      Heat will be a distributed for 15 & under exercises.	
	Heat winner awards will be distributed for 12 & under sessions	
	• Scoring	
SCODING	<ul> <li>Individual Events: F = 20-17-16-15-14-13-12-11, C = 9-7-6-5-4-3-2-1.</li> <li>Relays: F = 40-34-32-30-28-26-24-22, C = 18-14-12-10-8-6-4-2</li> </ul>	
SCORING	Team trophies will be awarded for the top 12 & Under and the top 13 & Over combined team	
and	points.	
AWARDS:	<ul> <li>All individual events will be scored in the following age groups: 8 &amp; Under, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14 and 15 &amp; Over.</li> </ul>	
	All relay events will be scored in the following age groups: 10 & Under, 11-12, 13-14 and 15 &	
	Over. Only the top 2 relays for each team will score.	
	<ul> <li>Individual high point awards will be given in the following age groups for both girls and boys: 8</li> <li>&amp; Under, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14 and 15 &amp; Over.</li> </ul>	
	A fine of up to \$100 per event may be assessed for any illegal participation in the meet. Illegal	
	participation is defined as	
	<ul> <li>Entries using fraudulent or non-verifiable times.</li> </ul>	
PENALTIES:	<ul> <li>Athletes competed in the incorrect age group.</li> <li>Athlete not registered with USA Swimming prior to the first day of the meet.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>If the swimmer is representing a club in a competition, the fine will be levied on the Club. If the swimmer is unattached, the fine will be levied on the swimmer.</li> </ul>	
	Any event in which an athlete participated illegally will be rescored and re-awarded	
	Meet Referee:	
	Name: Ralph Jones	
	Email: ralphvaswim@gmail.com	
OFFICIALS:	Officials will be needed for all positions and all sessions for this meet and applications to officiate	
are due by Thursday, March 13 <sup>th</sup> .  Certified and Apprentice Officials are welcome to apply.		
	Application to officiate is linked here:	
	Officials Application to Officiate	
	Please follow up your application with an email to the Meet Referee.	
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	• There will be two (2) timers per lane. Clubs will be required to provide timers for all sessions in proportion to the number of swimmers they have entered in each session.
TIMERS:	<ul> <li>The number of timers required per club and their lane assignments will be sent to teams no later than Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup>.</li> </ul>
	Swimmers competing in the 400 IM and 500 Freestyle events will need to provide their own timers and lap counters.
	MEET SAFETY OFFICER:
	Name: Jacob Wallin
	Email: jacob.wallin@swimrichmond.org Phone: (804)-647-1567
SAFETY:	<ul> <li>VSI Safety and Warm-up procedures will be in effect.</li> </ul>
	During general warm-up, feet first entry only. There will be NO DIVING OR RACING STARTS from the blocks or end of the pool during general warm-ups.
	Use of training equipment other than snorkels is not permitted during warm-ups.
	The current USA Swimming Rules and Regulations, including the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy, will govern this meet.
	<ul> <li>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.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>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 without written USA swimming permission.</li> </ul>
DIII EC.	<ul> <li>Any swimmer entered in the meet must be certified by a USAS 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.</li> </ul>
RULES:	<ul> <li>Use of audio or visual recording devices, including cell phones, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms. In addition, photography behind the blocks is not permitted.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Changing, in whole or in part, into or out of a swimsuit when wearing just one suit in an area other than in a locker room, bathroom, or other space designated for changing is PROHIBITED.</li> </ul>
	In accordance with VSI best practices, swimmers should shower before entering the pool.
	<ul> <li>Any athlete suspected of sustaining a concussion or exhibiting signs of a concussion, will immediately be removed from competition and shall not return to competition that day. The athlete may return to competition on a subsequent day, but only with a release authorization signed by a licensed healthcare provider.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>In accordance with VSI Policy, only those coaches who have current, valid USA Swimming credentials will be permitted to act in a coaching capacity at this meet. Coaches with expired or non-current credentials will be required to leave the deck area.</li> </ul>
	Hospitality: A light breakfast, lunch and dinner will be provided for coaches and officials.  Coaches and officials who have special dietary concerns or needs should bring their own food and beverages.
	Meet Program: A Psych Sheet will be sent to all teams prior to the contest. Heat Sheets will be emailed prior to each session, printed for coaches and available via meet mobile.
GENERAL:	• <b>Photography:</b> In accordance with J.3 of VSI Policies and Procedures, photography will not be permitted without the express permission of the Meet Director.
	Results: The meet results will be available on the Meet Mobile app. The results will also be posted to the Virginia Swimming website after the conclusion of the meet.
	Meet Event Apparel: A vendor will be on site selling Clover Cup t-shirt and sweatshirts.
	A swim shop vendor will be onsite offering full-service equipment such as goggles and swim suits.
	Concession: Full Rapids Café menu available in the community room
Facility Rules:	<ul> <li>Access to the deck is limited to coaches, athletes, meet officials, and event staff. Spectators will not be allowed on deck unless volunteering as timers, lap counters, or at other needed volunteer positions.</li> </ul>

	All air flow intake vents on deck are not to be blocked by chairs, benches, spectators or towels!
	<ul> <li>Family restrooms are reserved for coaches and officials use only. Individuals needing access should make arrangements with the meet director.</li> </ul>
	No glass containers of any kind are allowed in the facility.
	No lawn/deck chairs allowed in the grandstand.
	Objects are not to be passed over the grandstand railing.
	No smoking on the campus.
	Shoes are suggested to be worn in all areas outside the pool deck including locker rooms.
	Doors are not to be propped open (HVAC).
	No tape of any kind is to be used inside to hang signs, banners or decorations.
Parking:	Parking at the facility is available to patrons of the pool associated with the meets, employees, coaches and officials.
Streaming:	SwimRVA will be using our state-of-the-art video streaming system for this contest. Athlete's name, team and time will be displayed in an overlay of their lane, just like in the Olympics! Spectators will be able to go back and watch races over and over again. Visit our streaming site <a href="https://swimrva.vhx.tv/browse">https://swimrva.vhx.tv/browse</a> for product information.

SwimRVA Shamrock Showdown Qualifying Times 2024-2025				
13-14 Girls	15 & Over Girls		13-14 Boys	15 & Over Boys
27.59	26.69	50 Free	25.29	23.69
1:00.19	57.69	100 Free	55.09	52.09
2:10.29	2:05.09	200 Free	2:00.89	1:54.19
5:49.79	5:36.79	500 Free	5:27.19	5:09.39
12:02.09	11:39.69	1000 Free	11:17.09	10:48.29
20:07.29	19:32.49	1650 Free	18:59.49	18:00.69
1:05.19	1:02.79	100 Back	1:00.39	56.69
2:21.09	2:16.29	200 Back	2:11.39	2:03.99
1:15.19	1:12.19	100 Breast	1:08.29	1:04.49
2:42.09	2:36.19	200 Breast	2:28.29	2:20.29
1:05.19	1:02.49	100 Fly	59.69	56.39
2:25.19	2:19.19	200 Fly	2:12.99	2:04.89
2:25.69	2:19.49	200 IM	2:13.99	2:06.79
5:10.29	4:58.19	400 IM	4:46.49	4:30.59

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS 2024 Clover Cup

Friday 12 & Under Preliminary			
Girls	March 21	Boys	
1	8 & Under 100 Freestyle	2	
3	9-12 200 Freestyle	4	
5	8 & Under 50 Butterfly	6	
7	9-10 50 Butterfly	8	
9	11-12 50 Butterfly	10	
11	8 & Under 100 Backstroke	12	
13	9-12 200 Backstroke	14	
15	8 & Under 50 Breaststroke	16	
17	9-10 100 Breaststroke	18	
19	11-12 100 Breaststroke	20	
21	11-12 400 Individual Medley <sup>†</sup>	22	
10-minute break			
23	10 & Under 200 Free Relay <sup>‡</sup>	24	
25	11-12 200 Free Relay <sup>‡</sup>	26	

Friday PM 13 & Over Preliminary			
Girls	March 21	Boys	
27	13 & Over 50 Backstroke	28	
29	13 & Over 100 Breaststroke	30	
31	13 & Over 200 Freestyle	32	
33	13 & Over 100 Butterfly	34	
35	13 & Over 400 Individual Medley	36	
10-minute break			
37	13-14 400 Freestyle Relay <sup>†</sup>	38	
39	15 & Over 400 Freestyle Relay <sup>†</sup>	40	
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<sup>‡</sup> Top 8 "A" Relays will be swum in finals

	Friday Finals	
Girls	March 21	Boys
23	10 & Under 200 Free Relay	24
25	11-12 200 Free Relay	26
	10-minute break	
27	13-14 50 Backstroke	28
27	15 & Over 50 Backstroke	28
1	8 & Under 100 Freestyle	2
3	9-10 200 Freestyle	4
3	11-12 200 Freestyle	4
5	8 & Under 50 Butterfly	6
7	9-10 50 Butterfly	8
9	11-12 50 Butterfly	10
33	13-14 100 Butterfly	34
33	15 & Over 100 Butterfly	34
11	8 & Under 100 Backstroke	12
13	9-10 200 Backstroke	14
13	11-12 200 Backstroke	14
15	8 & Under 50 Breaststroke	16
17	9-10 100 Breaststroke	18
19	11-12 100 Breaststroke	20
29	13-14 100 Breaststroke	30
29	15 & Over 100 Breaststroke	30

	Saturday - 12 & Under Preliminary		
Girls	March 22	Boys	
41	8 & Under 50 Backstroke	42	
43	9-10 100 Backstroke	44	
45	11-12 100 Backstroke	46	
47	8 & Under 25 Breaststroke	48	
49	9-10 50 Breaststroke	50	
51	11-12 50 Breaststroke	52	
53	8 & Under 100 Butterfly	54	
55	9-12 200 Butterfly	56	
57	8 & Under 25 Freestyle	58	
59	9-10 50 Freestyle	60	
61	11-12 50 Freestyle	62	
63	8 & Under 100 Individual Medley	64	
65	9-12 200 Individual Medley	66	
10-minute break			
67	10 & Under 200 Medley Relay <sup>‡</sup>	68	
69	11-12 200 Medley Relay <sup>‡</sup>	70	
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Saturday PM – 13 & Over Preliminary			
Girls	March 22	Boys	
71	13 & Over 200 Butterfly	72	
73	13 & Over 50 Freestyle	74	
75	13 & Over 200 Breaststroke	76	
77	13 & Over 100 Backstroke	78	
79	13 & Over 50 Butterfly	80	
81	13 & Over 200 Individual Medley	82	
10-minute break			
83	13-14 400 Medley Relay <sup>†</sup>	84	
85	15 & Over 400 Medley Relay <sup>†</sup>	86	
	<sup>†</sup> All heats swim in prelims		

Saturday Finals			
Girls	March 22	Boys	
67	10 & Under 200 Medley Relay	68	
69	11-12 200 Medley Relay	70	
	10-minute break		
41	8 & Under 50 Backstroke	42	
43	9-10 100 Backstroke	44	
45	11-12 100 Backstroke	46	
77	13-14 100 Backstroke	78	
77	15 & Over 100 Backstroke	78	
47	8 & Under 25 Breaststroke	48	
49	9-10 50 Breaststroke	50	
51	11-12 50 Breaststroke	52	
53	8 & Under 100 Butterfly	54	
55	9-10 200 Butterfly	56	
55	11-12 200 Butterfly	56	
57	8 & Under 25 Freestyle	58	
59	9-10 50 Freestyle	60	
61	11-12 50 Freestyle	62	
73	13-14 50 Freestyle	74	
73	15 & Over 50 Freestyle	74	
63	8 & Under 100 Individual Medley	64	
65	9-10 200 Individual Medley	66	
65	11-12 200 Individual Medley	66	
79	13-14 50 Butterfly	80	
79	15 & Over 50 Butterfly	80	

Sunday - 12 & Under Preliminary				
Girls	March 23	Boys		
87	8 & Under 100 Breaststroke	88		
89	9-12 200 Breaststroke	90		
91	8 & Under 25 Butterfly	92		
93	9-10 100 Butterfly	94		
95	11-12 100 Butterfly	96		
97	8 & Under 25 Backstroke	98		
99	9-10 50 Backstroke	100		
101	11-12 50 Backstroke	102		
103	8 & Under 50 Freestyle	104		
105	9-10 100 Freestyle	106		
107	11-12 100 Freestyle	108		
109	9-10 100 Individual Medley	110		
111	11-12 100 Individual Medley	112		
113	12 & Under 500 Freestyle <sup>†</sup>	114		
10-minute break				
115	10 & Under 400 Freestyle Relay <sup>‡</sup>	116		
117	11-12 400 Freestyle Relay <sup>‡</sup>	118		
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Sunday PM – 13 & Over Preliminary				
Girls	March 23	Boys		
119	13 & Over 50 Breaststroke	120		
121	13 & Over 200 Backstroke	122		
123	13 & Over 100 Freestyle	124		
125	13 & Over 100 Individual Medley	126		
127	13 & Over 500 Freestyle	128		
10-minute break				
129	13-14 200 Freestyle Relay <sup>†</sup>	130		
131	15 & Over 200 Freestyle Relay <sup>†</sup>	132		
	<sup>†</sup> All heats swim in prelims			

Sunday Finals				
Girls	March 23	Boys		
115	10 & Under 400 Freestyle Relay	116		
117	11-12 400 Freestyle Relay	118		
10-minute break				
87	8 & Under 100 Breaststroke	88		
89	9-10 200 Breaststroke	90		
89	11-12 200 Breaststroke	90		
119	13-14 50 Breaststroke	120		
119	15 & Over 50 Breaststroke	120		
91	8 & Under 25 Butterfly	92		
93	9-10 100 Butterfly	94		
95	11-12 100 Butterfly	96		
97	8 & Under 25 Backstroke	98		
99	9-10 50 Backstroke	100		
101	11-12 50 Backstroke	102		
103	8 & Under 50 Freestyle	104		
105	9-10 100 Freestyle	106		
107	11-12 100 Freestyle	108		
123	13-14 100 Freestyle	124		
123	15 & Over 100 Freestyle	124		
109	9-10 100 Individual Medley	110		
111	11-12 100 Individual Medley	112		
125	13-14 Individual Medley	126		
125	15 & Over Individual Medley	126		