

2026 Powell Winter Fiesta

Powell, Wyoming

January 17-18, 2026

Held under the sanction of USA Swimming/Wyoming: WY-2026-30-TT

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SESSIONS:

Date	Session Name	Warm up	Start
01-17-26	#1	9:30 AM	11:20 AM
01-18-26	#2	7:30 AM	9:20 AM

The Meet Director, with the concurrence of the Meet Referee, reserves the right to modify session times once entries are received. **Any updated session times received from the meet host will be reflected on the EVENT page of the Wyoming Swimming website.**

FACILITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Powell Aquatic Center, 1065 East Coulter Avenue, Powell, WY<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Regulation short course 25 Yards, 8 lanes, non-turbulent lane markers, starting blocks, backstroke flags○ Pool depth 12 feet (1.0 meter) to (5.0 meters) from start end wall.○ Pool depth 4 feet (1.0 meter) to 4 ½ feet (5.0 meters) from turn end wall.○ Colorado Time System 6, automatic touch pads, including semi-automatic backups, two additional manual watches each lane.● The host will ensure the required course dimensions.
FORMAT:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● All Events are Timed Finals, seeded slowest to fastest with the exception of the 1650 free and the 500 free which will be seeded fastest to slowest.● 25-yard events will start at the start end and will be timed with 3 watches.
SCRATCHES	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● The meet will be pre-seeded.● Scratch sheets will be used for all sessions and must be turned into the AO 30 minutes before the start of each session.
COURSE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● SCY (Short Course Yards)
ELIGIBILITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● All swimmers must be USA Swimming registered members as per Article 302.● Age is determined by the age of the swimmer on the first day of the meet.● 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. 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.● Coaches must be registered and in good standing before the start of the meet.● Any club or individual entering a swimmer in a sanctioned meet who is not an Athlete Member in good standing of USA Swimming shall be fined fifty dollars (\$50) for each non-compliant swimmer entered. Such fine shall be payable to WYSI within ten (10) days of notification of the infraction.● Deck registrations will NOT be accepted.
DISABILITY SWIMMERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Athletes with a disability are welcome and shall provide advance notice of desired accommodations to the Meet Director.● The athlete (or the athlete's coach) is also responsible for notifying the session referee of any disability prior to the competition.

CUT PROTOCOL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● If a session is over-subscribed, the Meet Director reserves the right to limit events, heats, swimmers, or adjust the format to conform to the 4-hour policy using the following cut protocols in any order deemed necessary. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Teams may be asked to cut each athlete to no more than two fewer events per day than the maximum allowed. ● Entries may be cut by time or to a specific number of heats for specified events. ○ Teams may be asked to cut relay events.
ENTRIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Electronic entries should be emailed as an attachment to the entry chairperson: brandisse@gmail.com ● Mail payment to: Powell Swim Club P. O. Box 624 Powell, Wyoming 82435 ● Entries are due by midnight Thursday January 8, 2026 ● Entries will be acknowledged within 48 hours if they are accepted into the meet. ● Your entry is considered received only if you receive an acknowledgement. ● All entry times must be entered in yards. (Coach's times may be used instead of NT's) ● Athletes may enter as many events as they choose but may only compete in a maximum of 6 individual events and one relay per day. ● Time trials count in the per day event count. ● No deck entries will be accepted.
RELAYS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Relays will be limited to 4 relays per team per event. ● All relay swimmers must be officially entered into the meet. ● Unattached swimmers may not participate in any relays.
TIME TRIALS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Time trials will be offered at the discretion of the Meet Director and the Meet Referee if time allows.
FEES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Individual Event Fee: \$6.00 ● Relays: \$8.00 ● Time Trials: \$10.00 ● Wyoming Swimming Swimmer Participation Fee is \$8.00 per swimmer ● Facility Fee: \$10.00 per swimmer
ADMISSIONS & PROGRAMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Programs: \$5.00
MEET MOBILE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● MEET MOBILE: Meet Mobile will be functional for this meet, (dependent upon satisfactory internet access) All users should be aware that Meet Mobile publishes unverified raw data that may not always be accurate.
WARM-UP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Warm-up procedures shall follow WYSI Policy III.G.4 ● Warm-up sessions will be 20 minutes, number of warm-up sessions will be determined by number of entries. Exact warm-up schedule will be sent to all teams as soon as entries are in. Feet first entry required with Dive starts and one way swimming during last 5 minutes of each session. There will be a short open warm-up session prior to the 1650 free on Saturday. ● The Meet Safety Committee shall consist of the Meet Referee, Meet Director and the Host Club Safety Coordinator acting as the Meet Safety Director. This committee shall prepare and implement an action plan to ensure safety is considered during warm-up sessions and swimming competition. The committee shall review the warm-up procedures with the coaches and marshals monitoring the warm-up sessions. ● Coaches shall supervise their swimmers throughout the pre-meet warm-up session.
AWARDS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Individual event awards by age group (8 & under, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, 15 & over) and gender: 1-6 place medals, 7-12 place ribbons, no relay awards.
SCORING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The meet will not be scored.
LEGAL SPLITS	3 extra watches, requested from the AO and Meet Referee, 30 minutes prior to race.

SWIMWEAR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Per USA Swimming rules (102.8.1.F), 12 & Under swimmers may not wear a Technical Suit at any Sanctioned, Approved, or Observed meet. The age of the swimmer is determined on the first day of the meet. Guidance on identifying compliant and non-compliant suits can be found on the USA Swimming website under Tech Suit Restriction for 12-and-Under Swimmers.
RULES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The current USA Swimming Rules and Regulations including the Minor Athlete Abuse Protection Policy will govern this meet. ● 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 approval. ● 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 <u>not permitted</u>. ● Deck Changing is PROHIBITED.
SAFETY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No shaving is permitted at the competition site. ● No glass containers are permitted within the facility. ● Lifeguards and AED device, available to athletes participating in the meet. ● The AED is located in the lobby of the Aquatic Center at the reception desk.
SAFE SPORT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The USA Swimming Safe Sport program is USA Swimming's comprehensive abuse prevention program dedicated to creating a healthy and positive environment free from abuse for all its members. Components of the program include, but are not limited to, providing education and training, enforcing policies (such as the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy), rules and best practice guidelines, promoting healthy boundaries and mandatory reporting of violations. ● The Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy (www.usaswimming.org/maapp) prohibits Adult Participants (as defined) from having one-on-one interactions with minor athletes which are not within an observable and interruptible distance from another adult participant. Adult Participants are required to abide by this policy in full during this meet. ● Pursuant to USA Swimming Rules and Regulations and federal law, it is every member's responsibility to immediately (i.e., within 24 hours) report any incident of child abuse, including physical or sexual abuse, to law enforcement and the U.S. Center for SafeSport. Reporting must occur when an individual has firsthand knowledge of misconduct or where specific and credible information has been received from a victim or knowledgeable third party. A report to the U.S. Center for SafeSport may be made via telephone at 833-5US-SAFE (833-587-7233) or online at www.uscenterforsafesport.org/report-a-concern. Various state laws may also require reporting to law enforcement or to a designated child protection agency ● 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 ● For information on how to report other alleged violations, including without limitation, the USA Swimming Code of Conduct and the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy, please visit www.usaswimming.org/report. ● All athletes age 18, or who turn 18 during the meet, must complete Athlete Protection Training in order to be a USA Swimming registered member in good standing by the first day of the meet. A member not in good standing will be prohibited from participating in the competition until such time as all membership requirements are completed. Times achieved by an athlete who turns age 18 on or during the meet, who competes in this USA Swimming sanctioned event without completing this membership requirement, will NOT count for qualification or recognition. This includes participation as a member of a relay. ● All U.S. athletes, coaches, and staff expecting to receive a deck pass should be prepared to show proof of current USA Swimming membership. Coaches must meet and have current certifications for all the requirements of coach membership including successfully passing the required background check and APT course.
FACILITY RULES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Leisure pool and lazy river are closed and off limits.
CHANGES TO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Once a meet is sanctioned, changes can be made to the meet invitation before the meet, only with the

THE MEET	approval of the Sanction Chair. Any change to the meet format after the meet begins will be at the discretion of the Meet Referee and will be presented to the coaches at a coaches meeting.
WEATHER/ FACILITY PROTOCOL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● If weather or facility conditions make it impossible to follow the original timeline of events, the Meet Director and Meet Referee have a right to make changes to the meet sessions. The Meet Director will notify the teams of the changes with as much notice as possible. Cancellation of the meet, or a session, is the decision of the Meet Director, Meet Referee and the Meet Jury.
MEET JURY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Meet Jury shall consist of not fewer than three (3) and not more than five (5) persons, at least one of whom shall be a coach and one an athlete. When possible, the members shall be from separate teams. The Meet Jury will decide all issues of eligibility, and anything not addressed in the Meet Announcement. The Meet Referee shall have authority as described in the current USA Swimming Rulebook.
DECK ACCESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Only current USA Swimming registered athletes, coaches, officials, and official meet staff are permitted on the pool deck. All non-athletes on the pool deck must produce proof of their valid USA Swimming Membership Card in the USA Swimming App (no photos or screenshots) when asked.
OFFICIALS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Host team is responsible for procuring the following 3 positions: Meet Referee, Admin Official, and the Meet Director; these 3 do not need to be directly associated with the host team. Any club hosting a home meet must also provide two (2) officials for each day of their meet in addition to the three named above. Such officials must be current and in good standing. ● All WYSI Clubs participating in any WYSI sanctioned meets are required to provide the following number of officials: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1-9 Swimmers - No Officials (unless you are the Host Club, then it shall be two (2) officials) ○ 10-17 Swimmers – One (1) Official ○ 18-25 Swimmers - Two (2) Officials ○ 26 or more Swimmers - Three (3) Officials ● Each non-host club shall submit the name of the official(s) they are providing at the time their entries are submitted to the Host Club and Meet Referee. Non-host clubs will have authority to list officials not registered with their club if they have such official's consent to do so. It shall be the non-Host Club's responsibility to ensure that they have the required number of officials based on the number of total entries over the course of the meet or to have fulfilled this requirement as per the Meet Referee's discretion. If a non-host club does not fulfill their obligation, a fine of \$1000 will be assessed by WYSI and invoiced upon completion of the meet. It is the Meet Referee's responsibility to notify the treasurer to invoice such club. ● If a Host Club does not fulfill their obligation of ensuring adequate minimal staffing of a meet, a fine of \$1000 will be assessed by WYSI and invoiced upon completion of the meet. It is the Meet Referee's responsibility to notify the treasurer to invoice such club. ● Official's meeting Saturday session #1: 10:15 AM ● Official's meeting Sunday session #2: 8:15 AM
GENERAL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Hospitality room is available for Coaches and Officials, concessions available in the lobby.
WAIVERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● "It is understood and agreed that USA Swimming, Wyoming, Swimming, Powell Swim Club, and the Powell Aquatic Center shall be free from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event."

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**Saturday Session: #1 Warm-up: 9:30 AM Coaches Meeting 11:05
Meet Starts: 11:20 AM**

<u>Event #</u>	<u>Age Group</u>	<u>Events</u>
1	Mixed 9 & Over	100 Free
2	Mixed 8 & under	25 free
3	Mixed 12 & Under	100 IM
4	Mixed 13 & Over	200 IM
5	Mixed 8 & under	25 Fly
6	Mixed 9 & Over	50 Fly
7	Mixed 13 & Over	100 Fly
8	Girls Open	200 Medley Relay
9	Boys Open	200 Medley Relay
10	Mixed 8 & under	50 Back
11	Mixed 9-12	100 Back
12	Mixed 13 & Over	200 Back
13	Mixed 8 & under	25 Breast
14	Mixed 9 & Over	50 Breast
15	Mixed 13 & Over	100 Breast
16**	Mixed Open	1650 Free

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Sunday Session: #2 Open Warm-up: 7:30 AM Coaches Meeting 9:05
Meet Starts: 9:20 AM

<u>Event #</u>	<u>Age Group</u>	<u>Events</u>
17**	Mixed 9 & Over	500 Free
18	Mixed 8 & under	50 Free
19	Mixed 9 & Over	50 Free
20	Mixed 8 & under	50 Fly
21	Mixed 9-12	100 Fly
22	Mixed 13 & Over	200 Fly
23	Mixed 8 & under	25 Back
24	Mixed 9 & Over	50 Back
25	Mixed 13 & Over	100 Back
26	Girls Open	200 Free Relay
27	Boys Open	200 Free Relay
28	Mixed 8 & under	100 Free
29	Mixed 9-12	200 IM
30	Mixed 13 & Over	400 IM
31	Mixed 8 & under	50 Breast
32	Mixed 9-12	100 Breast
33	Mixed 13 & Over	200 Breast
34	Mixed 9 & Over	200 Free

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