

2021 SPOOKTACULAR INVITE

Hosted by the DSMY Marlins

DSMY and the Wellmark YMCA have taken enhanced health and safety measures – for you, our other guests, volunteers and our athletes. You must follow all posted instructions while attending our Oct 23 & 24 DSMY Spooktacular Invite. An inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. COVID-19 is an extremely contagious disease that can lead to severe illness and death. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, senior citizens and guests with underlying medical conditions are especially vulnerable. By attending the 2021 DSMY Spooktacular Invite, you voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19.

IASI SANCTION: IA-22-014
Held under the sanction of USA Swimming and Iowa Swimming, Inc. (IASI).

RULES: Current USA Swimming and IASI technical and administrative rules, including the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy (“MAAPP”), will govern this meet.

COVID-19 team protocols will be in place for this meet including but not limited to: separate pool entrance and exit, member screening questions, social distancing, face masks, limited locker room access (swimmers are recommended to arrive and leave in swim attire), personal space on the pool deck, and designated lane & starting positions for warm-ups. A ready wall will also be in place to avoid congestion behind the starting blocks.

Face masks are recommended for all attendees but not required. On deck, all adult staff and volunteers must wear a mask when you are not able to socially distance from athletes under the age of 12.

DATES: Saturday and Sunday October 23 & 24, 2021

TIME: All swimmers, coaches, and meet volunteers must enter the building using the lower level Grand Avenue entrance and go through the member screening questions. Spectator seating will open at each session’s warm-up start time and will enter on the second level skywalk entrance to the pool.

	<u>Sessions</u>	<u>Check-In</u>	<u>Warm-Ups</u>	<u>Competition</u>
1.	Saturday Morning 13&Over	7:30am	8:00am (50 min max)	~ 9:00am or (10min after pool cleared)
2.	Saturday Mid-day 12&Under	tbd	Not before 11:00am (50 min max)	~ 12:00 noon or (10min after pool cleared)
3.	Sunday Morning 13&Over	7:30am	8:00am (50 min max)	~ 9:00am or (10min after pool cleared)
4.	Sunday Mid-day 12&Under	tbd	Not before 11:00am (50 min max)	~ 12:00 noon or (10min after pool cleared)

This is a preliminary timeline; if feasible, sessions may be divided in flights to accommodate the maximum number of entries. Precise timelines will be distributed to teams once all entries are received. Sessions may be divided by gender or age to comply with social distancing guidelines. Instructions for check-in and warm-up assignments will be distributed to team contacts by noon on Friday prior to the meet and posted on the website.

Coaches meeting at 7:45am on Saturday.

Officials meetings will be 1 hour prior to competition each session.

*Official start times will be determined after all entries have been received.

SITE: Wellmark YMCA
501 Grand Avenue
Des Moines, IA 50309

www.dmyymca.org
www.dsmymarlins.com

Live Stream & Replay : www.dsmytv.com

FACILITY:

The Prairie Meadows Pool (competition pool) is a 20 lane 25-yard short course pool with one moveable bulkhead allowing for an 8 lane 50-meter long course pool or multiple configurations when running short course competition(s). Water depth of the pool ranges from 10 feet 8 inches to 7 feet (minimum 5 feet required at start end). Lane width is 8 feet 3 inches.

The 4 lane, 25 yard program pool will be available for warm-up if needed.

Colorado electronic timing systems will be used in all configurations. Pool configuration will be decided once all entries are received. The Admin Referee has the right but not the obligation to adjust the times after viewing the replay if feasible and obvious and/or requested by the swimmer's coach.

The competition course has been certified in accordance with Rule 104.2.2C(4) of USA Swimming Rules and Regulations. A copy of the certification is on file with USA Swimming.

COACHES:

Only currently registered USA Swimming coach members will be permitted on deck in designated areas. Each coach must sign the Coaches Meet Sign-In (APP-29) to verify that all certifications are current. **Socially distance guidelines may limit the number of coaches to a percentage of the number of swimmers in each session.** Numbers will be distributed after the entry deadline.

Deck Pass is acceptable proof of membership in USA Swimming. Coaches and Officials must produce proof of membership in USA Swimming immediately upon request by the Referee or his delegate or leave the pool deck.

WARM-UPS:

The IASI mandatory warm-up procedure will be followed.

Warm-up pool entry will be from the scoreboard side of the pool only. The first half of each session will be allocated to circle swim only warm-ups (No starts or one-way swim lanes). Competition will start after the pool is cleared for 10 minutes.

All swimmers must be under the supervision of a USA Swimming member-coach during warm-up, competition, and warm-down. Any swimmer without a coach shall report to the Referee prior to his or her warm-up. The Referee will assist the swimmer in making arrangements for such supervision, but it is the swimmer's responsibility to ensure such arrangements are made prior to the start of the meet.

Facility rules require a 3 point, feet first, sit and slide entry for lanes designated for circle swim during warm-up and warm-down.

Entry and exit instructions will be given by supervising coach.

RACING STARTS:

All swimmers 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.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

1. Swimmers must be currently registered as athlete members of USA Swimming.
2. Swimmers must enter in the age group events corresponding to age as of October 23, 2021.
3. Swimmers may enter no more than 4 individual events per session.
4. Seed times must be submitted for a 25-yard course (SCY). No Time (NT) entries will be accepted. Converted times are not allowed.

ENTRY LIMITS:

Pursuant to Article 205.3.1F of USA Swimming Rules and Regulations, the program of for athletes 12 years and younger (except championship meets) shall be planned to be completed in four hours or less for each session.

Any combination of events may be limited to ensure the timely completion of a session. Teams will be notified by email if swimmers are affected by limits prior to the meet.

ENTRY SUBMISSION:

Entry fees are as follows:

1. Individual events are \$8.00.
2. IASI swimmer surcharge: \$5.00 per swimmer. The surcharge is not assessed to outreach swimmers.
3. The entry fee for each outreach swimmer is \$5.00 and covers all events swum by an outreach swimmer.
4. Handwritten entries: additional \$5.00 per swimmer.

Electronic entries must be submitted in a format compatible with Hy-Tek Meet Manager software. Handwritten entries must be submitted on the IASI Meet Entry Form (APP-7).

Submit entries along with the appropriate IASI Financial Sheet (APP-8.1). If submitting electronic entries, also send a hardcopy of the entries with the entry fees and financial sheet.

Clubs entering outreach swimmers should only provide the number of outreach swimmers and the number of events being swum by the outreach swimmers to the host club and verified by the IASI Administrative office. The names of the outreach swimmers are not to be provided to the host club.

Payment shall be by check or money order made payable to **Greater Des Moines YMCA, Attn: John Van Meter**. All entry fees, including IASI swimmer surcharge fee, should be combined on one check. The host club reserves the right to require payment by money order or cashier's check. Entry fees are non-refundable; IASI swimmer surcharge fees will be refunded only if the entire meet is cancelled.

ENTRY DATES AND DEADLINES:

1. Entries will be accepted from teams/athletes in the Iowa LSC and teams in attendance last year [PEAQ-AM, ISWM-MW, LSS-MW, GOAL-MW, SCSC-MW] beginning at **11:00am, Monday, October 11, 2021**.
2. Entries will be accepted from all teams/athletes at **8:00am, Friday, October 15, 2021** if the meet is not already filled.
3. The meet entry deadline is **NOON** on **Monday, October 18, 2021**.
4. Handwritten entries, along with entry fees, additional \$5 per swimmer and financial sheet, must be received no later than **Friday, October 15, 2021**. Handwritten entries will not be considered entered in the meet until full payment is received.
5. Once a team's entries have been accepted by the meet host, that team is considered entered into the meet. The host team is not permitted to rescind a team's entries once the meet host sends the email confirmation that the team is entered into the meet. Changes or scratches in a team's entries prior to the meet deadline do not relieve a team of the responsibility to pay for confirmed entries.
6. Once entries are accepted only time updates will be allowed for teams with electronic entries. No time updates will be accepted for handwritten entries. Any additions/substitutions must be made via email to the Meet Director prior to the entry deadline.
7. **A hardcopy of the entries, along with entry fees and financial sheet, must be received by Wednesday, October 20, 2021 unless prior arrangements have been agreed to in writing.** Failure to meet this deadline will result in swimmers remaining in the meet but all confirmed entries will be billed at the late entry fee. Any unpaid balance remaining at the start of competition for the final session will be assessed an additional 10% late fee. Team commlink final results will not be emailed until full payment plus any additional fees are paid in full by the team.
8. Entries will be confirmed via a return email receipt.
9. Entries will NOT be accepted by phone or fax.

Entries will be accepted in the order received. Once the meet reaches capacity, the host team will inform IASI meet contacts as well as any non-IASI teams with entries already accepted.

LATE ENTRIES:

1. Provided space is available, late entries will be accepted by email until 6:00pm, Friday, October 22, 2021. After that time, they will only be accepted on deck up to the end of the warm-ups of each session.
2. Only swimmers already entered in the meet that have not reached their session limit will be able to late enter after Tuesday, October 19, 2021.

3. If the meet program has not been printed, swimmers shall be seeded into the meet, but will still be charged the late entry fee. If the meet program has been printed, swimmers shall be assigned to an empty lane, no heats will be added.

Late entry fees: Individual events: \$15.00 per additional event after the Tuesday, October 19th deadline. For questions regarding late entries or to find out if late entries are being accepted, contact the Meet Director.

SWIMMERS WITH DISABILITIES:

Swimmers with disabilities are encouraged to compete. The Information Form for Adapted Competitive Swimmers (APP-21) indicating limitations and requested modifications should be completed and attached to the meet entries. Modifications will be determined by the Referee. The swimmer (or swimmer's coach) is responsible for providing any equipment or assistants required. See Article 105 of USA Swimming Rules and Regulations.

SEND ENTRIES TO:

Send electronic entries by email to john.vanmeter@dymca.org Send all print materials to the Meet Director. If sent by rush delivery, indicate no signature required.

MEET DIRECTOR / ADMIN REFEREE:

John Van Meter 515-471-8560 pool
john.vanmeter@dymca.org 515-745-3283 cell

Mailing Address: Wellmark YMCA (checks payable to: **Greater Des Moines YMCA**)
Attn: John Van Meter
501 Grand Ave
Des Moines, IA 50309

SAFETY DIRECTOR:

Jennifer Van Meter 515-822-3316
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MEET REFEREE:

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art.dinkin@dymca.org

OFFICIALS:

DSMY welcomes any visiting USA Swimming officials who would like to officiate at this meet. If you are able to officiate, please see sign up details on the DSMY website under the Hosted Events/2021 DSMY Spooktacular tabs. www.dsmyarmlins.com. Contact the Meet Referee with any questions or to request apprentice sessions.

MEET COMMITTEE:

A meet committee consisting of the Meet Director, Referee, a coach representative, an athlete representative, and a certified official acting at large will be established prior to the start of competition. The committee shall serve as the meet jury to consider any administrative protests filed at the meet. Protests against judgment decisions can only be considered by the Referee and the Referee's decision is final.

MEET OPERATION:

1. All events will be pre-seeded.
2. All Timed Final events will swim **Fastest to Slowest**.
3. Starting blocks will be on the west side of the pool. Fly-over starts will be used.
4. Next heat will be called behind the blocks from the ready wall (west side of the pool, north of the starting blocks) when the finished heat is released by the Deck Ref.
5. Warm-up / Cool-down lanes will NOT be available during 12&U sessions. 13&Over sessions will have designated Warm-up / Cool-down lanes. All swimmers must enter and exit from the scoreboard side, max of 5 swimmers per lane at a time. No congregating at the ends of the lanes. Swimmers must be continually swimming.
6. Breaks will not be added for swimmers in back to back events. Swimmer or swimmer's coach may request a down-seed to a slower heat if available to allow more rest.
7. **Effective September 1, 2020 Swimmers ages twelve and younger shall not compete while wearing "Tech" suits**, even when competing in Senior or Open events or Time Trials. A list of suits that considered to be "Tech" suits is posted on the USA Swimming website: <https://www.usaswimming.org/news/2019/09/12/tech-suit-restriction-for-12-and-under-swimmers>
8. Deck Changes are prohibited. Locker rooms will be available. It is recommended that swimmers arrive and leave the facility in their swim gear to limit numbers and congestion in the locker rooms. The Program pool bathroom will be available for swimmer use.

9. Banners, signs or posters are not allowed to be adhered, displayed or affixed anywhere in the aquatic center facility.
10. **Glass containers of any kind are not permitted in the aquatic center (including spectator seating) at any time.**
11. Individuals are responsible for the security of their personal belongings and are encouraged not to bring valuables to the meet venue and not to leave items unattended.
12. 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.

SCORING:

This meet will not be scored.

AWARDS:

Ribbons will be awarded for 1st thru 8th place for 8&U, 9-10, 11-12 age groups.
No awards for 13&O swimmers.

SCRATCHES:

There is no penalty for no-shows, but swimmers are encouraged to declare a false start to the referee if they do not intend to swim an entered event. The IASI scratch rule is in effect. No-shows and DFS are considered entries for entry limits.

**USA SWIMMING
REGISTRATION:**

No USA Swimming registrations will be accepted at the meet. Any swimmer who is not a currently registered athlete member at the time of pre-meet reconciliation must ensure that IASI has received the appropriate application and fees at least 24 hours prior to the start of competition. Failure to do so will result in the swimmer's entries being scratched and the swimmer barred from entering the pool.

CAMERAS:

USE OF AUDIO OR VISUAL RECORDING DEVICES, INCLUDING CELL PHONES, IS NOT PERMITTED AT ANY TIME IN CHANGING AREAS, RESTROOMS, OR LOCKER ROOMS.

**NO ALCOHOL OR
TOBACCO:**

The use of any tobacco or alcohol products is prohibited in the swimming venue.

IMAGE RELEASE:

Participants consent to be photographed/filmed by any authorized photographer(s) and/or network(s) of IASI and/or the host club under conditions determined by the host club, and authorize the use of names, pictures, likenesses, and biographical information before, during or after the event to promote swimming. No awards received in this competition may be used for trade or financial gain.

MEET CONDUCT:

Attending clubs, swimmers, and spectators are the guests of the Wellmark YMCA. **Any report of inappropriate behavior or failure to comply with COVID-19 safety protocols will be dealt with immediately.** DSMY / Wellmark YMCA Staff reserve the right to remove any offending individuals or groups. **Any swimmer found swimming under the bulkhead will be ejected from the facility and be barred for the remainder of the meet.**

Clubs will be financially responsible for any damage to the premises caused by their club, swimmers and/or parents & spectators.

**ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION:**

1. **Program:** Programs/heat sheets will be uploaded to the DSMY website www.dsmyarllins.com and by noon on Friday the day before the meet and uploaded to Meet Mobile prior to each session starting. A very limited number of heat sheets will be available for purchase at the concession stand for \$3.00 per session.
2. **Results:** Electronic results will be provided to all teams participating in the meet once full payment and any additional fees for final payment are received. Final results will also be posted on IASI website. A hardcopy of the final results may be requested on the IASI Financial Sheet for an additional \$5.00.
3. **Concessions:** There will be a limited concession stand offering light snack options and cold drinks. A hospitality room will be available for coaches and officials.
4. **Swim apparel/merchandise:** Splash Multi-Sport will be onsite on Saturday and will be offering a variety of swimming apparel & equipment.

5. **Seating/Spectator Information:** There is no charge for admission. Face masks are recommended but not required. Screening questions will be posted at the entries. Free wi-fi is available.
6. **Deck:** Only registered swimmers, coaches and meet personnel will be allowed on deck. Teams are allowed to request a socially distanced area in Sections 9&10 in spectator seating.
7. **Glass containers of any kind are not permitted on the pool deck or spectator area at any time.**
8. **Parking information:** Parking meters charge from 9am to 9pm Monday thru Saturday. The 5th & Keo Parking Garage is closest to the facility and provides Skywalk access. There is a charge for parking downtown on Saturdays. Hotel block info available on www.dsmymarlins.com

MAAPP:

All applicable adults participating in or associated with the 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 the MAAPP policy is a condition of participation in the conduct of this competition.

INDEMNITY:

It is understood and agreed that USA Swimming and IASI shall be free and held harmless from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event. USA Swimming, Inc., cannot prevent you (or your child(ren)) from becoming exposed to, contracting, or spreading COVID-19 while participating in USA Swimming sanctioned events. It is not possible to prevent against the presence of the disease. Therefore, if you choose to participate in a USA Swimming sanctioned event, you may be exposing yourself to and/or increasing your risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19.

BY ATTENDING OR PARTICIPATING IN THE COMPETITION, YOU VOLUNTARILY ASSUME ALL RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH EXPOSURE TO COVID-19 AND FOREVER RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS USA SWIMMING AND IOWA SWIMMING, INC. AND EACH OF THEIR OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES OR OTHER REPRESENTATIVES FROM ANY LIABILITY OR CLAIMS INCLUDING FOR PERSONAL INJURIES, DEATH, DISEASE OR PROPERTY LOSSES, OR ANY OTHER LOSS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO CLAIMS OF NEGLIGENCE AND GIVE UP ANY CLAIMS YOU MAY HAVE TO SEEK DAMAGES, WHETHER KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, FORESEEN OR UNFORSEEN, IN CONNECTION WITH EXPOSURE, INFECTION, AND/OR SPREAD OF COVID-19 RELATED TO PARTICIPATION IN THIS COMPETITION.

Order of events

Session 1: Saturday – 13&Over

Warm-ups: 8:00am Competition: 9:00am

<u>Girls Event #</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Boys Event #</u>
1	13&O 1000 Free	Mixed
2	13-14 50 Free	3
4	15&O 50 Free	Mixed
5	13-14 100 Fly	6
7	15&O 100 Fly	Mixed
8	13-14 200 Breast	9
10	15&O 200 Breast	Mixed
11	13-14 100 Back	12
13	15&O 100 Back	Mixed
14	13-14 200 IM	15
16	15&O 200 IM	Mixed
17	13-14 200 Free	18
19	15&O 200 Free	Mixed

Session 2: Saturday – 12&Under

Warm-ups: 11:00am Competition: 12:00pm

<u>Girls Event #</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Boys Event #</u>
20	11-12 50 Free	21
22	10&U 50 Free	23
24	12&U 100 Fly	25
26	10&U 100 Back	27
28	11-12 100 Back	29
30	10&U 50 Breast	31
32	11-12 50 Breast	33
34	10&U 100 IM	35
36	11-12 100 IM	37
38	10&U 200 Free	39
40	11-12 200 Free	41

Session 3: Sunday – 13&Over

Warm-ups: 8:00am Competition: 9:00am

<u>Girls Event #</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Boys Event #</u>
42	13&O 400 IM	Mixed
43	13-14 100 Free	44
45	15&O 100 Free	Mixed
46	13-14 100 Breast	47
48	15&O 100 Breast	Mixed
49	13-14 200 Back	50
51	15&O 200 Back	Mixed
52	13-14 200 Fly	53
54	15&O 200 Fly	Mixed
55	13&O 500 Free	Mixed

Session 4: Sunday – 12&Under

Warm-ups: 11:00am Competition: 12:00pm

<u>Girls Event #</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Boys Event #</u>
56	11-12 200 IM	57
58	10&U 200 IM	59
60	11-12 50 Back	61
62	10&U 50 Back	63
64	11-12 50 Fly	65
66	10&U 50 Fly	67
68	11-12 100 Free	69
70	10&U 100 Free	71
72	11-12 100 Breast	73
74	10&U 100 Breast	75
76	11-12 500 Free	Mixed