



2023 SPRING SPEEDO SECTIONALS – REVISED 01.16.23

Indiana University Natatorium – Indianapolis, IN

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CENTRAL ZONE EAST SECTIONAL– LCM: March 23 – 26, 2023

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DATES

Thursday, March 23 – Sunday, March 26

Wednesday, March 22: Team Warm-Ups 1:00 PM – 7:00 PM

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LOCATION

Facility: Indiana University Natatorium

Address: 901 West New York Street
Indianapolis, IN 46202

Website: www.iunat.iupui.edu

TIME ZONE

Indianapolis is in the Eastern Time Zone. All times referenced in this document are Eastern Time.

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FACILITY INFORMATION

The competition course has been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4). The copy of such certification is on file with USA Swimming. Where a moveable bulkhead is used, course measurement of the lane in which a record is set (American, US Open, or National Age Group) must be confirmed at the conclusion of the session during which the time was achieved.

Competition Pool: Indoor, eight-lane, 50-meter pool with a depth ranging from 9'-10'. Competitor lane lines with custom-designed starting blocks, Colorado electronic timing equipment, and Daktronics scoreboard.

Warm-Up Pools: Continuous warm-up and warm-down in the seven-lane, 25-yard Diving Well with a depth of 17' and in the six-lane 50-meter Instructional Pool with a depth ranging from 4'6" to 10' and custom-designed starting blocks. Specific instructional pool hours may vary based on timelines and will be posted in advance of the meet.

Seating Gallery: The east and west spectator concourses will be open for seating 90 minutes before the start of each competition session. The seating galleries have a combined

capacity of approximately 4,700 seats which includes handicapped seating platforms in both spectator concourses. All seating is general admission and available on a first-come basis. Saving of seats is prohibited. Please see page 7 for ticket information. Meet participants (athletes, coaches, officials, volunteers, event staff) can gain access to both spectator concourses free of charge by presenting their meet credentials at the concourse entry doors.

Locker Rooms & Restrooms: There are four athlete locker rooms on the deck level of the Natatorium (one of each gender on both the east and west pool decks) for the exclusive use of athletes entered in the meet. There will be designated locker room spaces for minor athletes. Swimmers must provide their own locks; the IU Natatorium is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

There are two dry restrooms of each gender, one on each side of the diving well, for the exclusive use of credentialed non-athlete meet participants. Additional public restrooms are located on the upper concourse of the facility.

Parking: Ample parking will be available in the attached Natatorium Sports Garage at \$7 per entry, credit or debit card only. Coaches only may pre-order five-day parking permits for the Natatorium Sports Garage for \$40 by completing the parking permit online order form; the link to that form will be sent upon receipt of each team's entries.

These permits allow unlimited entry and exit in the Natatorium Sports Garage and will be distributed to coaches at Registration. Prices and parking locations are determined by IUPUI Parking Services and are subject to change.

Concessions: University concessions are available on the upper concourse of the Natatorium during competition sessions. The host has no control over the items available nor does the host receive any revenue from the sale of concession items.

Participant Hospitality: Coaches, officials, and volunteers will have access to the hospitality room located on the deck level of the facility accessible through a hallway behind the diving towers. Menus and meal changeover times will be posted. There will also be an athlete hospitality area on the southwest corner of the deck near the diving well with limited snacks. All participants are invited to these areas during the venue hours of operations on competition days. The presentation and serving of hospitality items are subject to Indiana University safety protocols. All participants are encouraged to bring their personal refillable water bottles to use at on-deck water filling stations.

Venue Rules & Procedures:

- Deck access is restricted to competing athletes, registered coaches, officials, event staff, and meet volunteers, all of whom must present their event credentials at the east deck entrance upon each entry. No parents, spectators, or members of the general public will be allowed on deck except at the request of a Meet Director or Meet Referee.



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- Event credentials are required for deck entry. In compliance with Indiana University policy, all coaches, officials, event staff, and volunteers are required to show a valid government-issued photo ID when being issued their event credentials.
- First Aid/Training Needs: Lifeguards are trained to handle water emergencies and first aid on the deck. An athletic trainer, provided by IU Health Sports Medicine, will be available in the East Control Room during all venue hours of operation.
- Ample team seating is available on the bleachers surrounding the pool deck, in the diving well area, and in the upstairs spectator concourses. Team seating is available on a first-come basis by session. Belongings should be removed from the deck between sessions and overnight for cleaning.
- Please keep all trash picked up in your team and spectator seating areas and stay away from restricted areas. If a swimmer is found in a restricted area, the swimmer will be asked to leave the facility and may be pulled from the remainder of the meet.
- Vandalism will not be tolerated. Any individual caught vandalizing the facility will be asked to leave the facility for the remainder of this meet.
- IUPUI is a smoke-free campus.

RULES

Current USA Swimming rules will govern this meet.

Conditions of Sanction: At a sanctioned competitive event, USA Swimming athlete members must be under the supervision of a USA Swimming member-coach during warm-up, competition, and warm-down. The Meet Director or Meet Referee may assist in making arrangements for such supervision, but it is the swimmer's responsibility to make such arrangements prior to the start of the meet.

Coaches MUST present their current USA Swimming coach credential or Deck Pass app to receive their event credentials and gain deck access. The Meet Director and/or Meet Referee reserve the right to ask for coach credential or Deck Pass and/or deny deck access if coach does not comply or membership is no longer valid/current.

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.

Deck changes are prohibited including in the team seating and spectator areas.

Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms.

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.

It is understood and agreed that USA Swimming, Indiana Swimming, and the IU Natatorium shall be free from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of this event.

SAFE SPORT 360

The Safe Sport program is USA Swimming's comprehensive abuse prevention program dedicated to reducing the risk of sexual, emotional and physical abuse to athletes.

Components of the program include, but are not limited to, providing education and training, enforcing policies, rules and best practice guidelines, promoting healthy boundaries and mandated reporting of violations.

The Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy ("MAAPP") prohibits applicable adults from having one-on-one interaction with minor athletes that is not within an observable and interruptible distance from another adult. All applicable adults participating in or associated with this meet acknowledge that they are subject to the provisions of the USA Swimming MAAPP and that they understand that compliance with the MAAPP Policy is a condition of participation in the conduct of this competition.

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 720-531-0340 or online at [uscenterforsafesport.org/report-a-concern](https://www.uscenterforsafesport.org/report-a-concern). Various state laws may also require reporting to law enforcement or to a designated child protection agency.

All athletes ages 18 and older must complete Athlete Protection Training ("APT") to be a USA Swimming registered member in good standing. Any athlete who turns 18 **on or after the first day of competition** who has not completed Athlete Protection Training will be prohibited from participating. Times achieved by an athlete who turns age 18 **on or after the first day of competition**, 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.

The requirement to complete Athlete Protection Training is an annual requirement. USA Swimming membership will be affected if a non-athlete member or adult athlete member does not renew Athlete Protection Training annually.



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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 (MAAPT) and that they understand that compliance with MAAPT is a condition of participation in the conduct of this competition.

Each club is responsible for the conduct of its swimmers. Any person who, in the opinion of the Meet Director or Meet Marshal, is harmful to others or to others' property may be required to leave the competition.

COVID-19

Conditions of Sanction

As a condition of this sanction, the IU Natatorium agrees to comply with and enforce all COVID-19 health and safety mandates and guidelines of USA Swimming, Indiana Swimming, the State of Indiana, Marion County, and Indiana University that are in effect at the time of this meet.

Assumption of Risk Disclaimer

The IU Natatorium has taken enhanced health and safety measures for athletes, coaches, officials, volunteers, spectators, and others participating in this meet. Participants must follow all safety instructions as outlined by the meet host. By attending this meet, you assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19

COVID-19 Release

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 individuals with underlying medical conditions are especially vulnerable. USA Swimming, Inc. and the IU Natatorium 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 THIS COMPETITION, YOU VOLUNTARILY ASSUME ALL RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH EXPOSURE TO COVID-19 AND FOREVER RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS USA SWIMMING, INDIANA SWIMMING, AND INDIANA UNIVERSITY 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 UNFORESEEN, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

Waivers

All participants (athletes, coaches, officials, volunteers, staff) will be required to complete and submit USA Swimming's Covid-19 Waiver. Athletes will also need to complete and submit USA Swimming's Competitor Waiver. Both forms can be downloaded from the host event website.

All completed athlete and coach paper waiver forms must be submitted at Registration by the head coach to receive meet credentials. Waivers of minor athletes require parent signatures. Please be sure that parents sign minor athlete waivers prior to arrival at Registration.

Completed officials, volunteers, and staff Covid-19 Waivers must be presented at the Volunteer Services check-in desk at the bottom of the east deck entry stairs upon first arrival at the Natatorium.

SCHEDULE

All times are Eastern Time; Indianapolis observes Eastern Time.

Virtual Technical Meeting

Monday, March 20: 7:00 PM Eastern

A meeting invitation will be sent out to registered teams the week prior. This meeting is REQUIRED for all head coaches.

Warm-Ups & Start Times

All times listed are subject to change based on final entry numbers and the potential need for staggered warm-up times and/or flighted sessions. See page 12 for the specific warm-up schedules in each pool.

Wednesday, March 22

Team Practice: 1:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Four 90-minute slots; reservations required:

- 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM
- 2:30 PM – 4:00 PM
- 4:00 PM – 5:30 PM
- 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

Please email arlmcdon@iu.edu no later than March 1, 2023, with a team practice reservation request that includes your top two preferred practice time slots (above) and your estimated number of athletes. Time slots will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis in an effort to provide the best possible practice environment.

Thursday-Saturday, March 23 – 25

- Prelims Warm-Up: 6:00 AM - 8:50 AM
- Prelims Start: 9:00 AM
- Finals Warm-Up: 4:00 PM - 5:15 PM
- Finals Start: 5:30 PM

Saturday, March 25

Section Coaches Meeting: After Prelims- *Hospitality Room*

Sunday, March 26

- Prelims Warm-Up: 6:00 AM -8:50 AM
- Prelims Start: 9:00 AM
- Finals Warm-Up: 3:00 PM-4:15 PM
- Finals Start: 4:30 PM



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REGISTRATION

Registration will begin on Wednesday, March 22, at 12:30 pm on the upper concourse of the Natatorium and continue through Noon on Thursday, March 23. After Noon on Thursday, registration for late arrivals will be available at 7:00 am each day of the meet at the bottom of the stairs at the east deck entry and will remain open until the end of the Finals session each day except Sunday. Late arriving athletes will need to be accompanied by their assigned coach to receive event credentials.

All coaches desiring event deck passes MUST complete the online deck pass order form immediately after emailing their entry files to the meet Entry Chair. The link to the online form will be included in an automated email that will be sent when a team's entry file has been received. There will be a \$20 fee per deck pass due at Registration for all coaches who have not registered for a deck pass using the online deck pass form. All coaches must present their valid coach membership cards or valid USA Swimming app screens, along with a photo ID, at Registration in order to receive their deck passes and team credentials.

Each swimmer on deck at any time must be under the direct supervision of a USA Swimming member coach. Swimmers whose home coaches are not present at the meet should arrange in advance for a supervising coach and complete the USA Swimming Swimmer Assignment Form and submit via email to arlmcdon@iu.edu prior to arrival in Indianapolis. These swimmers should then plan to arrive at Registration with the assigned coach in order to obtain athlete meet credentials. This includes late-arriving athletes. If a swimmer arrives without a coach, he/she must find a willing coach at the facility to sign USA Swimming's Swimmer Assignment Form before an athlete credential can be issued.

Swimmer Assignment Forms can be found on the host website under Pre-Meet Technical Information.

QUALIFYING PERIOD

The qualifying period is from January 1, 2022, through the entry deadline.

ELIGIBILITY

This meet is open to all current athlete members of USA Swimming registered both inside and outside the Central Zone. There will be no on-site processing of USA Swimming membership at this event. Age as of March 23, 2023, shall determine the swimmer's age for the entire meet.

Eligible swimmers must have achieved the relevant qualifying times within the qualifying period. Official time standards for in-section athletes, including bonus time standards, can be found on pages 10 & 11 of this document. Out-of-section athlete qualifying times are USA Swimming's 2022 Maximum Sectional Qualifying Standards.

Teams may enter relay-only swimmers with a maximum of two relays per team per relay event. Names of relay-only

swimmer must be listed on the original entry and count toward the 850 athlete cap.

DISABILITY ATHLETES

Swimmers with a disability may enter any event(s) at this meet for which they have achieved a National Para Sectional Motivational Time Standard during the qualifying period. These athletes must also be members of a team that has been accepted into the meet.

Swimmers with a disability who have achieved fewer than 4 individual event time standards (National Para Sectional Motivational Time Standard) may supplement their entry with bonus event(s) so that the total of individual events (qualified swims plus bonus swims) does not exceed 4 for the meet. (i.e. 1 qualified and 3 bonus, 2 qualified and 2 bonus, 3 qualified and 1 bonus). Swimmers must meet the National Para Sectional Motivational Bonus Time Standard for each bonus event.

Coaches of disability swimmers who have achieved these standards and would like to enter this meet should contact the Meet Director before the entry deadline. The email should include the swimmer's name, team name with LSC, events and entry times based on grouping (P1,P2,P3) strokes/distances and days/sessions. Final determination of seeding of swimmers with a disability will be made by the Meet Referee after consultation with the athletes and their coaches.

Coaches entering swimmers with disabilities that require any accommodations, including the need for any personal assistants and/or registered service animals, must provide advance notice in writing, accompanying their meet entry file, to the Meet Director by the entry deadline. Failure to provide advance notice may limit the host's ability to accommodate all requests.

ENTRY LIMITS and BONUS EVENTS

Limits: A swimmer may enter an unlimited number of individual events but may compete in no more than 6 individual events for the meet and in no more than 3 individual events per day. Time trial events count toward a swimmer's daily limit (3 events), but do not count toward a swimmer's meet limit of six (6) events.

Bonus Events: Swimmers who have achieved fewer than 4 individual event time standards may supplement their entry with bonus event(s) so that the total of individual events (qualified swims plus bonus swims) does not exceed 4 for the meet. (i.e. 1 qualified and 3 bonus, 2 qualified and 2 bonus, 3 qualified and 1 bonus). Swimmers must meet the Central Zone East Section Bonus Time Standards (see page 11) for each bonus event. Please be certain to check the box indicating "bonus" for each event that is a bonus event. The bonus time standards are the same for both in and out-of-section athletes.



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MEET FORMAT

This meet will be conducted in long course meters using eight lanes; it is a 4- day competition with prelims and finals sessions each day. Time trials will be offered daily if time permits. Prelims and timed final events will be conducted using fly-over starts. Fly-overs will not be used in finals.

Relays and distance freestyles will be conducted as timed finals. In all other events, four heats of swimmers from preliminaries will advance to finals where A, B, C, and D heats will be contested in those events. The A and B finals will consist of the top 16 swimmers from prelims. The C finals will be the next 8 fastest 18 & Under athletes while the D finals will be the next 8 fastest 16 & Unders. If there are not enough 16 & Under athletes to fill the D final, that heat can be filled with 18 & Unders seeded in any available lanes. Finals heats will be swum in this order: C, B, A, D. **The meet will be capped at 850 athletes.**

LENGTH OF SESSION

If the length of a session requires, some bonus event swims may be swum at the end of the session and before time trials. Additionally, the Section reserves the right to flight prelims based on the number of entries and projected length of session. Information regarding any such modifications will be posted on the event web site by Friday, March 17.

ENTRY FEES

Individual Events: \$ 16.00

Relay Events: \$ 25.00

Surcharges: \$ 30.00 per athlete (includes relay-only)

All fees are nonrefundable and nontransferable unless the meet is cancelled due to COVID-19. If the meet is cancelled, all fees will be refunded.

ENTRY PROCEDURES

To assist the Section and meet host in planning, all Section 3 teams will be asked to complete an online registration form no later than Friday, December 23, 2022, indicating their team's intent to compete in this meet as well as the team's projected number of entered athletes. The link to this online form was sent to all CZ East LSC offices for distribution to the head club coaches in their LSCs.

Entries for athletes with qualifying times will be accepted from teams registered for the meet beginning Wednesday, January 18, 2023, starting at 9:00 am Eastern, through Wednesday, February 15, 2023, at 6:00 pm Eastern or until the entry cap of 850 athletes has been reached.

Please submit your entries during this entry period via email in a TM or Team Unify file according to the following procedures:

- The meet set-up file will be sent via email to all team contacts no later than January 12, 2023.
- Create a standard TM or Team Unify meet entry file on your computer.

- Generate a Proof of Time Report by Athlete that includes the meet name and date to accompany your entry file.
- Send an e-mail with the attached entry file and proof of time report to: swimmom@myyahoo.com no later than 6:00 pm Eastern on Wednesday, February 15, 2023.
- Please include the following in the text of your email with your entry file and proof of time report: team name, team entry chair, e-mail address, and phone number.
- Your electronic entry file must include team information: coach's name(s), team address, team phone number, and email.

Please bring all entry communications with you to the meet in the event of a problem.

Upon email receipt of your entry file and proof of time report, you will receive an automated email with the link to an online form to order both your team's coach deck passes and any parking permits.

Soon after completion of both of these processes, the team contact will receive an email invoice from Indiana University with the total amount due (entry fees, surcharges + parking permits). Total payment for these fees must be received no later than 48 hours after receipt of the email invoice. Credit cards are the only method of payment. The invoice will have the link to the credit card payment site.

Your team is not officially entered in the meet until your payment is received. On February 16, teams on the waiting list, will be notified to fill any remaining spots.

ENTRY PROCESS AFTER FEBRUARY 15

A new event file will be sent to all teams in the meet. This file should be used to add new events for athletes already in the meet (both in and out-of-section) and for entering in-section athletes who achieved qualifying times after the entry deadline (new qualifiers). Bonus events for new CZ East qualifiers will be accepted based on space availability. Coaches will be notified about the availability of bonus events for new qualifiers.

Monday, February 20 - Sunday, March 19, at 11 pm

In-section swimmers who achieve first-time qualifying times after February 15, 2023, and before Monday, March 20, 2023, and athletes already entered in the meet who qualify for new events after February 15, 2023, and before Monday, March 20, 2023, may be entered in the meet or newly qualified events starting on Monday, February 20, by emailing the new entry file and proof of time report to swimmom@myyahoo.com by 11pm on Sunday, March 19. Payment by credit card or check (payable to Indiana University) for these additional athletes and events must be submitted at Registration prior to receiving event credentials.



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LATE ENTRIES**

****This procedure applies only if the athlete cap of 850 swimmers has not been reached by 6:00 pm on February 15.**

A in-section team who inadvertently missed entering a swimmer with a qualifying time achieved before the February 15 deadline may do so after the February 15 deadline by paying the following fees at Registration:

- **\$100.00 Administration Fee (per team)**
- **Double the entry fee per individual event and/or relay event**

All late entries must be submitted to the Entry Chair no later than 15 minutes before the March 20 virtual Technical Meeting with proof of time; no entries will be taken after that time.

****All entry/administrative fees for late entries are due onsite at Registration. Payment must be either with a credit card or a check made payable to Indiana University.**

A **psych sheet** will be sent via email to all entered clubs by Friday, March 17, 2023. Teams are responsible for reviewing the psych sheet for errors and for proof of time (*) or registration problems (#). Bonus events will be noted with a "B" next to the time on the psych sheet.

PROOF OF TIME

Acceptable verifications for any individual events AND all relay proofs must be official results from: (1) USA Swimming sanctioned, approved, or observed meets; or (2) College, High School, Junior High, YWCA or YMCA, or Masters meets sanctioned by their respective governing organizations. **Proof of Time Reports must be sent with the team's original entry file as outlined under Entry Procedures. Proof for new qualifying times achieved after February 15 should be included with the new entry file.**

Times not proven prior to Friday, March 17, will be flagged on the psych sheet (*). **Proof of time for those events must be provided before the scratch deadline for that event. If NO proof of time is provided, the swimmer will be scratched from the event.**

The responsibility of proving times lies with the entering club. Verification / Proof of Time must be accordance with the type of time entered (LCM, SCY, SCM).

TIME TRIALS

Time trials will be offered daily as time allows. Final details regarding time trials will be communicated at the virtual Technical Meeting on Monday, March 20. If time trials are offered, the following procedures will be in effect:

- Only swimmers entered in the meet are eligible to participate in time trials.
- Time trials sessions will start 15 minutes after the conclusion of preliminaries on Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday as time permits. Events from the current day will be swum first, with events for subsequent days following in order.

- Time trial entries will be taken through OME* until one hour prior to the published end time of each day's preliminary session. For assistance, please visit the meet admin table located next to the timing and scoring table on the west deck.
- Time trials will be limited to 1 hour. Time trials for events 800m and longer will be limited to one day. Teams will be informed of the distance time trial event day at Monday's virtual Technical Meeting.
- If on any day, preliminary sessions end less than 45 minutes before the start of finals warm-ups, time trials will not be conducted.

On a given day, time trial events must be included in the individual daily event limit of three (3); time trial events do not count toward a swimmer's meet limit of six (6) events.

Fees: Individual Events: \$16.00; Relays: \$25.00

Time trial fees are payable by credit card in OME.*

MEET CONDUCT

Rules: The meet will be conducted according to USA Swimming rules and regulations.

Seeding: Seeding order: LCM then SCY

Bonus times will be seeded following non-conforming times and may be flighted at the end of the session, prior to time trials, based on session length.

Scratch Rule/Positive Check-In/DFS:

All athletes in event distances of 400m or less are considered swimming unless scratched.

- Scratches will be done online for all preliminary events only including distance freestyle events. A link to the preliminary electronic scratch form will be provided to each coach.
- Scratching from finals must be done in person with the Administrative Referee.

An electronic positive check-in process for the 800 & 1500 free and relays will be used for this meet. The link to the electronic positive check-in will be provided to each coach. Swimmers or relays who fail to check in by the applicable deadline will only be allowed to swim IF there is an empty lane (no new heat will be created).

DFSs during the meet should be texted to the Admin Referee at 937-307-6835.

The USA Swimming national scratch procedure and failure to compete rules will be used for both prelims and finals. These rules are described in rule 207.11.6 of the USA Swimming Rulebook. A swimmer may pay a re-entry fee of \$100 to the meet host for each preliminary or final event in which he/she failed to compete prior to being eligible for further competition.

Scratch & Positive Check-In Deadlines: The scratch and positive check-in deadline is 6:00 PM for the next day's events. This includes Thursday events. The entry fees paid for scratched events are NOT refundable.



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RELAYS

Online positive check-in for relays is required. Relays must be checked in prior to the scratch deadline in order to be seeded. Only two relays can score from each team.

All relays are timed finals.

- All 400 Free Relays and 800 Free Relays will be swum in finals. The 800 Free Relays will be swum fastest to slowest. There will be a 10-minute break before the start of the 800 Free Relay events.
- The 400 Free Relay will be swum starting with the two fastest heats of women, then the two fastest heats of men. Those relays will then alternate women and men, fastest to slowest, after the first two heats of each gender.
- The 200 and 400 Medley Relays will be swum in prelims in event order (women then men) slowest to fastest. The 200 Free Relays will be swum in prelims, men's on Thursday and women's on Saturday (slowest to fastest).

Electronic relay cards will be used for this meet with a link sent to all coaches who have entered relays and will be due one hour prior to the projected relay start time. The electronic relay cards may be changed up until the relay swims.

DISTANCE FREESTYLE

Online positive check-in for distance freestyle events is required. Entrants in the 800m and 1500m Freestyle events must complete the online check-in form prior to the scratch deadline for each distance freestyle event in order to be seeded. When completing the online check-in form, please designate a preference to swim in prelims or finals. Swimmers should anticipate the possibility that swimmers seeded ahead of them may opt out of finals.

Thursday distance events (W800/M1500) will be swum fastest to slowest alternating women and men. The fastest seeded heat of the women's 800 and men's 1500 will swim in finals.

Sunday's distance events (W1500/M800) will be swum fastest to slowest alternating women and men. The fastest heat of the women's 1500 and the men's 800 will be swum in finals.

The top eight athletes swimming distance freestyle events during finals will be paraded from the Ready Room.

All distance events counters must be individuals who are credentialed for this event. Spectators will not be permitted on deck as counters.

READY ROOM

A Ready Room area (located on the west pool deck near the diving well) will be provided each evening for the championship heat in all individual events and the top seeded heat of distance freestyles. Swimmers should report to the Ready Room 10 minutes prior to the start of their

event so they may parade to the starting blocks together. Relays and all other heats should report directly to the blocks.

WARM-UP PROCEDURES

Specific details of warm-ups can be found on page 12 and will be posted on the pool deck and online. Meet Marshals will be monitoring lane usage based on the published schedule. Participants are expected to comply with all lane control signage and marshal requests.

Equipment is not permitted at any time in the competition pool or diving well.

The 25-yard diving well and 50-meter instructional pool will be available for warm-up and warm-down during published hours. Specific instructional pool hours may vary based on timelines and will be posted in advance of the meet. Designated lanes for pace and sprint will be available in the instructional pool. Signage will designate the use of each lane.

SCORING & RESULTS

The meet will score to 20 places.

26-23-22-21-20-19-18-17-15-13-12-11-10-9-8-7-5-3-2-1

Relays will score double. Results will be available on Meet Mobile and posted on the host web site.

AWARDS

Medals for 1st-8th place will be given in individual and relay events. However, only the top 3 finishers will be presented their medals during the awards ceremonies. All other medals will be distributed to coaches at the Admin Table at the conclusion of finals each evening.

The schedule for the awards ceremonies is as follows:

- Awards ceremonies for all individual events, except for the distance freestyle events, will be immediately after the D heat in each event during the finals session.
- Awards ceremonies for the distance freestyle events will be immediately after the top heat swimming in finals.
- Awards ceremonies for all relays except Sunday relays will be before the start of the next day's evening finals session.
- Awards for Sunday morning relays will be presented after the conclusion of Event #32 (Men's 400 Medley Relay).

At the conclusion of the meet, awards will be presented to the top team in each of the following categories: Combined, Men's, Women's.

Awards will also be presented for men's and women's individual high point at the conclusion of the meet.



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INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION

Paper heat sheets will be available for coaches at the on-deck Admin Table and posted around the competition pool deck. Heat sheets for spectators will be available on Meet Mobile, on the event website, and posted throughout the venue including in the spectator concourses. There will be no paper heat sheets sold to spectators. All other official meet documents will be posted on the event website.

TICKET SALES & HEAT SHEETS

Tickets can be purchased on site on Wednesday, March 22, from 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM and then again 90 minutes before the start of each session. **All ticket sales are by credit card only.**

Ticket Prices

All-Session Pass: \$50.00

All-Session Child (6-12): \$25.00

Day Pass (Prelims & Finals of the same day): \$15.00

Single Session: \$ 10.00 adults/6-12 yrs \$5.00

Children under 6 are free.

Heat sheets will be available free of charge on Meet Mobile and posted on the event website as well as throughout the Natatorium.

OFFICIALS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP CERTIFICATION

The meet is designated as an “Officials Qualifying Meet” under the national certification procedure. Evaluations will be offered through N3 for eligible officials assigned to work the meet. Please see USA Swimming website (www.usaswimming.org) to view the latest procedures regarding evaluation and certification.

Note: To be evaluated for certification or re-certification at any level, an official must work at least 4 sessions at the meet, even if the evaluation requirement is for only 2 or 3 sessions in a specific position.

First priority for assigned positions will be given to those seeking certification as well as those committed to working all sessions of the meet.

Officials interested in officiating at the meet should visit the Central Zone website (www.centralzones.org) and submit an application.

Officials’ Uniforms: Officials are asked to wear white shirts and navy bottoms.

Officials’ briefings will all be virtual.

Please contact Central Zone Officials Chair Steve Marchitelli at smarchitelli@cox.net with questions.

UNPAID FINES

The host will send a notification of fine for failure to compete without scratching to any offending club listing the amount owed, purpose of the fine, directions for payment, and the payment deadline (which may include a penalty if not paid by the deadline). A copy of this notification will also be sent to the Central Zone East Section Chairperson Cindy Dial. If the fine remains unpaid by the specified

deadline, the offending club will be denied representation in any subsequent Sectional meet until the amount has been paid.

FINE APPEAL PROCESS

Clubs may appeal the fine and/or penalty by submitting a written notice to Section Chair Cindy Dial, cvirido@aol.com. The chairperson will appoint a hearing body made up of one representative from each of the Central Zone East Section LSCs plus one athlete at-large. Any further appeal shall be presented to the National Board of Review.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Medical Supervision: Lifeguards will be on duty during all venue hours of operation. Athletic Trainers from Indiana University Health will be present and stationed in the East Control Room during all times the IU Natatorium is open for participants.

Hotels: The meet host, in partnership with Visit Indy, has secured hotel blocks at various properties conveniently located to the IU Natatorium at preferred pricing. Teams and officials are encouraged to use the most convenient online hotel reservation system that can be accessed at: <https://book.passkey.com/go/2023SpeedoSectionals>

Cut-off dates for most hotel properties are 30 days out from the competition. Participants are encouraged to make hotel reservations early. For any questions or assistance with hotel reservations, please contact Arlene McDonald, Co-Meet Director, at arlmcdon@iu.edu or 317-442-2166. *Marriott is a proud sponsor of USA Swimming.*

Volunteers: The meet host welcomes volunteers from visiting teams. Volunteer opportunities and registration can be found at www.iunat.iupui.edu by clicking on Speedo Sectionals at the top of the home page.

All volunteers are required to attend a virtual volunteer orientation session on Tuesday evening, March 21, at 7:30 pm Eastern. The orientation link will be sent to all registered volunteers on Monday, March 20.

Please email the host volunteer coordinators at Natswimmingvolunteers@gmail.com for volunteer questions or more information.

Vendor: Speedo will select the official swimwear vendor for this meet. The chosen vendor will provide a wide selection of swim apparel, equipment, and unique event merchandise for purchase at a booth on the upper concourse of the Natatorium. Plan now to stop by and visit our meet vendor.

Livestream: All meet sessions will be live streamed. The link to the live stream can be found on the host website at www.iunat.iupui.edu.



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ORDER OF EVENTS

This is an open competition swum in long course meters.

Please note that Indianapolis is on Eastern Time

WOMEN	PRELIMINARIES	MEN	WOMEN	FINALS	MEN
Warm-Ups: 6-8:50am Meet Starts AT 9am		<u>THURSDAY EVENTS</u>		Warm-Ups: 4-5:15pm Meet Starts at 5:30pm	
3	200 Backstroke	4	**2	800 Freestyle	
5	50 Freestyle	6	3	200 Backstroke	4
8	200 Breaststroke	9	5	50 Freestyle	6
	200 Freestyle Relay Men	*1		1500 Freestyle	**7
**2	800 Freestyle		8	200 Breaststroke	9
	1500 Freestyle	**7	***10	800 Free Relay Women	
Warm-Ups: 6-8:50am Meet Starts at 9am		<u>FRIDAY EVENTS</u>		Warm-Ups: 4-5:15pm Meet Starts at 5:30pm	
*11	200 Medley Relay	*12	13	200 Freestyle	14
13	200 Freestyle	14	15	100 Butterfly	16
15	100 Butterfly	16	17	400 I.M.	18
17	400 I.M.	18	****19	400 Free Relay	****20
Warm-Ups: 6-8:50am Meet Starts at 9am		<u>SATURDAY EVENTS</u>		Warm-Ups: 4-5:15pm Meet Starts at 5:30pm	
*21	200 Freestyle Relay Women		22	100 Backstroke	23
22	100 Backstroke	23	24	400 Freestyle	25
24	400 Freestyle	25	26	100 Breaststroke	27
26	100 Breaststroke	27	28	200 Butterfly	29
28	200 Butterfly	29		800 Free Relay Men	***30
Warm-Ups: 6-8:50am Meet Starts at 9am		<u>SUNDAY EVENTS</u>		Warm-Ups: 3-4:15pm Meet Starts at 4:30pm	
33	200 I.M.	34	33	200 I.M.	34
37	100 Free	38	**35	1500 Freestyle	
*31	400 Medley Relay	*32		800 Freestyle	**36
**35	1500 Freestyle		37	100 Free	38
	800 Freestyle	**36			

* Timed Finals with these relays swum during prelims sessions, slowest to fastest in event order.

** Distance events (800/1500) will be swum fastest to slowest alternating women and men with the fastest heat of each swum in finals.

***Timed finals with these relays swum during finals session, fastest to slowest

**** Timed Finals with these relays swum during the finals sessions; the 2 fastest heats of women, then the 2 fastest heats of men alternating women then men, fastest to slowest, after the first 2 heats of each



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SECTIONAL TIME STANDARDS FOR CENTRAL ZONE EAST ATHLETES*

Qualifying Period: January 1, 2022, through the meet entry deadline

WOMEN		EVENT	MEN	
SCY	LCM		LCM	SCY
24.79	28.49	50 FREE	25.69	22.39
53.89	1:01.19	100 FREE	55.99	48.59
1:56.69	2:11.89	200 FREE	2:01.89	1:45.89
5:08.99	4:36.09	400/500 FREE	4:16.89	4:46.39
10:38.29	9:31.89	800/1000 FREE	9:00.49	9:57.99
17:49.89	18:15.59	1500/1650 FREE	17:20.99	16:43.89
1:00.09	1:10.09	100 BACK	1:03.19	55.39
2:09.99	2:29.69	200 BACK	2:18.59	1:58.79
1:08.59	1:18.59	100 BREAST	1:11.99	1:01.59
2:27.69	2:48.79	200 BREAST	2:36.19	2:13.79
59.19	1:07.29	100 FLY	1:00.59	53.29
2:11.19	2:27.49	200 FLY	2:16.19	1:59.29
2:11.89	2:29.59	200 IM	2:17.69	1:59.39
4:37.69	5:15.99	400 IM	4:55.79	4:16.99
3:41.99	4:09.99	400 FREE RELAY	3:50.99	3:18.99
7:45.99	8:50.99	800 FREE RELAY	8:15.99	7:13.99
4:05.99	4:40.99	400 MEDLEY RELAY	4:17.99	3:42.99
<p>*Qualifying times for out-of-section athletes are USA Swimming's 2023 Speedo Sectionals Maximum Time Standards 200 Medley and 200 Free Relays use the 400 relay time standards. If you have the cut in the 400 relays, you are eligible for the 200 relays.</p>				



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BONUS TIME STANDARDS

Qualifying Period: January 1, 2022, through meet the entry deadline

Bonus standards are the same for both in and out-of-section qualified athletes.

WOMEN		EVENT	MEN	
SCY	LCM		LCM	SCY
26.99	30.19	50 FREE	26.99	23.99
57.39	1:04.09	100 FREE	58.69	50.59
1:59.69	2:15.69	200 FREE	2:06.99	1:50.79
5:17.99	4:44.99	400/500 FREE	4:26.99	4:55.99
10:47.39	9:43.09	800/1000 FREE	9:13.99	10:08.99
18:00.09	18:30.79	1500/1650 FREE	17:34.89	16:55.89
1:03.99	1:13.29	100 BACK	1:06.69	59.39
2:14.59	2:34.09	200 BACK	2:23.09	2:03.09
1:12.19	1:23.19	100 BREAST	1:15.49	1:05.09
2:33.99	2:56.29	200 BREAST	2:42.99	2:19.99
1:03.99	1:11.09	100 FLY	1:03.59	55.89
2:15.59	2:33.99	200 FLY	2:22.99	2:03.99
2:15.99	2:34.99	200 IM	2:22.99	2:03.99
4:45.09	5:26.99	400 IM	5:06.99	4:23.99

ENTRY LIMITS and BONUS EVENTS

- **Limits:** A swimmer may enter an unlimited number of individual events but may compete in no more than 6 individual events for the meet and in no more than 3 individual events per day. Time trial events count toward a swimmer’s daily limit (3 events) but do not count toward a swimmer’s meet limit of six (6) events.
- **Bonus Events:** Swimmers who have achieved fewer than 4 individual event time standards may supplement their entry with bonus event(s) so that the total of individual events (qualified swims plus bonus swims) does not exceed 4 for the meet. (i.e. 1 qualified and 3 bonus, 2 qualified and 2 bonus, 3 qualified and 1 bonus). Swimmers entering bonus events must meet the bonus time standards as outlined in the grid above.
- **Bonus Entries after Entries Close:** Bonus events for new qualifiers will be accepted based on space availability. Coaches will be notified about the availability of bonus events for new qualifiers. (page 5)



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WARM-UP SCHEDULE

No equipment is permitted at any time in the Competition Pool and Diving Well.

COMPETITION POOL

(Warm-ups in the competition pool are reserved for those swimmers competing in that session.)

TIME	LANES	ACTIVITY
Prior to 7:30 AM & 4:00 PM	All Lanes	General Warm-Up: circle swimming only
7:30 AM – 8:00 AM 4:00 PM – 4:30 PM	Lanes 1,8 Lanes 2 - 7	Pace Lanes: circle swimming General Warm-Up: circle swimming only
8:00 AM – 8:50 AM 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM	Lanes 1,8 Lanes 2,7 Lanes 3 - 6	Pace lanes; circle swimming Sprint lanes: one-way only with racing start from starting end of the pool; swim back in adjacent General Warm-Up Lane General Warm-Up; circle swimming only & one-way swim back from sprint lanes **Note: Additional sprint lanes will be opened by meet officials as required/requested in the following order - 4, 5. On Thursday and prelims on Friday, Lane 7 will be one-way sprints with racing starts from the scoreboard end of the pool and swim back in Lane 6

DIVING WELL & INSTRUCTIONAL POOLS

POOL	PROCEDURES
<u>DIVING WELL</u> <u>SCY</u> <u>SEVEN 25-YARD LANES</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All lanes are for general warm-up ▪ No equipment ▪ During competition sessions, reserved for athletes competing in that session to warm down after races ▪ During Finals entry is from the east side of the pool (opposite the Ready Room) ▪ Feet-first entry
<u>INSTRUCTIONAL POOL</u> <u>LCM</u> <u>SIX 50-M LANES</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lanes 1 & 6 will be pace; feet first entry; upon request, stretch cords can be used in Lane 1. ▪ Lane 5 will be one-way sprints with swim back in Lane 4. ▪ All other lanes will be general warm-up; feet first entry ▪ During competition sessions, swimmers warming-up/down for races will have priority use of the instructional pool ▪ Equipment permitted

General Considerations:

- 1) Please follow the established schedule. If you believe special circumstances exist or additional sprint lanes are needed, please contact the officials or deck marshals.
- 2) Coaches should maintain contact with their swimmers as much as practical throughout the warm-up period.
- 3) Swimmers & coaches, please cooperate with marshals regarding procedures.
- 4) Swimmers should not step up on the blocks when a backstroker is preparing to start.
- 5) When using sprint lanes, swimmers must swim back in the adjacent general warm-up lane.

Thank you!