



## 2018 TYR Pro Swim Series Rules

At the conclusion of the 2018 TYR Pro Swim Series – and the subsequent 2018 Phillips 66 National Championships – the overall point total winner (male and female) of the TYR Pro Swim Series who meets the eligibility requirements will win a one-year lease of a BMW vehicle, plus a stipend from USA Swimming to help cover delivery charges and/or taxes on the vehicle. In addition, the eligible overall male and female winners of the series, regardless of nationality, will earn a \$10,000 bonus. The rules governing these prizes are as follows:

Only Olympic-distance events at the six stops of the 2018 TYR Pro Swim Series and the 2018 Phillips 66 USA Swimming National Championships are eligible for prize money and count toward a swimmer's overall TYR Pro Swim Series point total.

The TYR Pro Swim Series scoring system awards swimmers prize money and points based on first-, second-, and third-place performances at each meet in the Championship final only. The prize money and scoring system is as follows:

- First place = \$1,000 (five points)
- Second place = \$600 (three points)
- Third place = \$200 (one point)

At 2018 Phillips 66 Nationals, the point totals will double to 10 points for first place, six for second and two points for third place. The final series tally will be computed after the 2018 Phillips 66 National Championships, slated for July 25-29, 2018, in Irvine, California, and the prizes will be awarded at that time.

There will be separate TYR Pro Swim Series standings for male and female swimmers. To be eligible for the BMW lease, a swimmer must (i) be a U.S. citizen, (ii) be a USA Swimming member, (iii) possess a valid U.S. driver's license, and (iv) no longer be NCAA eligible. The BMW prize will be offered to the highest finishing eligible male and female athlete who meets all the criteria, even if he/she is not the overall points winner for the series. By accepting the one-year BMW lease, the athlete must agree to allow BMW and USA Swimming to use his/her image in connection with photos and other marketing or the award for publicity for the award. In order to receive the one-year BMW lease, the winners must sign the BMW loaner agreement and provide a W-9 tax form.

To be eligible for the \$10,000 series bonus, awarded to the overall male and female winners of the series regardless of nationality, athletes must no longer be NCAA eligible. If an NCAA-eligible athlete finishes first in the series standings, the series bonus will not be awarded to the next eligible athlete in the series standings.

In the event of a tie of TYR Pro Swim Series points, the TYR Pro Swim Series winner will be the swimmer who earned the highest single-race FINA power point ranking.

Leaders will be tracked online at [www.usaswimming.org](http://www.usaswimming.org) and in *Splash* magazine, the official magazine of USA Swimming.