

OCCS Long Course Open #1

June 13, 2021

Sanction # PVI-21-203



VSI Sanction # VS-21-

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SANCTION	 Virginia Swimmi In granting this s Swimming, Virgi shall be held free 	Virginia Swimming, Inc: VS-21- .		
FACILITY	 Freedom Aquatic & Fitness Center 9100 Freedom Center Blvd Manassas, VA 20110 (703) 993-8444 Competition: 8 lanes, 50 meters Warm up: 10 lanes, 50 meters. 1-2 lanes may be available for continuous warm up and cool down. Water depth range of 13.5' at the starting end and 3.5' at the turning end. The competition course has not been certified in accordance with current USA Swimming Rules and Regulations, Article 104.2.2(C). 			
ENTRY	negulations) / «e	Wednesday, June 9, 2021, 8	3:00pm	
DEADLINE	IMPORTANT: The above date is the deadline for clubs to submit their entries to the Meet Director. Therefore, clubs usually set an earlier deadline to receive entries from their swimmers. Check with your club for this information.			
SCHEDULE	All S	•	n Ups Events Opm 3:00pm after entries are received.	
ELIGIBILITY	Swimming, PVS, in the meet unle in USA Swimmin			
DISABILITY SWIMMERS	 PVS and host clubs along with their meet directors are committed to the Inclusion Policy as adopted by the PVS BOD. Athletes with a disability are welcomed and are asked to provide advance notice of desired accommodations to the Meet Director. The athlete (or athlete's coach) is also responsible for notifying the session referee of any disability prior to competition. 			
TIMING SYSTEM	Automatic Timin			
COVID-19 CONSIDERATIONS	• An inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. COVID-19 is a 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.			
	contracting, or s	ng, Inc., cannot prevent you (or your child(ren)) from becoming exposed to, or spreading COVID-19 while participating in USA Swimming sanctioned events. It is 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, POTOMAC VALLEY SWIMMING, VIRGINIA SWIMMING INC., OCCOQUAN SWIMMING, GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY FREEDOM AQUATIC & FITNESS CENTER 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 WITH EXPOSURE, INFECTION, AND/OR SPREAD OF COVID-19 RELATED TO PARTICIPATION IN THIS COMPETITION.
	• We have taken enhanced health and safety for all attending this meet, however we cannot guarantee that you will not become infected with COVID-19. All attending this meet must follow all posted instructions while in attendance. An inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. By attending this meet, you acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19.
	• By choosing to attend this meet you agree to comply with all health and safety mandates and guidelines of USA Swimming, Potomac Valley Swimming, Virginia Swimming Inc., the Commonwealth of Virginia, and Prince William County.
COVID-19	• Some outside seating may be required. Exact plans will be provided after the entry deadline.
PROTOCOLS	• All attendees (athletes, coaches, officials, and volunteers) should wear a mask to enter the facility and throughout the facility, with the exception of athletes when competing or warming up/cooling down.
	• Swimmers should bring a minimum of two masks and a container or waterproof type bag to place their mask in while swimming.
	• Athletes should arrive and depart in their suits. Locker room use should be minimized.
	• Spectators will not be permitted into the facility. The meet will be live streamed on <u>YouTube</u> .
	• Before signing up your young swimmer, please consider that they can manage themselves for the duration of the meet with just their swim coach overseeing them, including being able to visit the bathroom independently.
	• Each session will be limited to 400 swimmers. Teams will be assigned to a seating area.
	• Entry and exit for all participants, volunteers, and coaches will be through the patio side entrance.
	• Before entering the facility, all attendees (athletes, coaches, officials, and volunteers) are required to be able to answer the following questions and will only be permitted entrance if answering with 'no':
	 Do you feel any of the symptoms that fall under the symptoms of COVID-19 (fever over 100.4, cough, shortness of breath, etc.)? Has anyone in your family been sick or diagnosed with COVID-19? Has someone you've been in contact with been diagnosed with COVID-19 or been in
	contact with someone who has the past 14 days?
	One timer will be assigned to each lane as a backup timer.
	• Prior to each race, athletes will leave their assigned spot, walk along the turn end of the pool, down the lane 1 side of the pool, and continue behind the blocks.
	• For warm-ups, swimmers for each session may be assigned to one of two warmup groups, no more than 200 swimmers in each group (20 swimmers/lane). Each group will be assigned an arrival time. Swimmers may not be permitted into the building prior to their arrival time. Swimmers will proceed to their assigned seating area, prepare to enter the pool, and follow marshals' and coaches' directions to enter the pool while respecting social distancing guidelines.

	• During warm-ups, swimmers will wear their masks until they reach their assigned warm up lane and entry end and just before they enter the pool. They will place their mask in their waterproof holder to store their mask while they swim. They will put their mask back on as soon as they exit the pool.
	 Staging for swimmers during competition will be: Heat 1 is at the blocks and will swim
	 Heat 2 is along the race course on deck spaced by 6 feet and will remain there until Heat 1 is done swimming, exits the pool, and exits the area behind the blocks.
	 Heat 3 is staging under the scoreboard/warm up pool until directed to move to where Heat 2 is standing (after Heat 1 is done swimming and out of the way and Heat 2 proceeds to the starting blocks).
	• During competition, swimmers will wear their masks until they reach the starting blocks. They will place their mask in their waterproof holder to store their mask while they swim. They will put their mask back on before leaving the starting area.
	• For the 50m events, the following protocols will be followed:
	 Masks will be delivered from the start end to the finish end for all participants that are required to wear masks.
	• Counters for 800m free will be provided by anyone that is willing to help and can enter the facility following the above protocol.
	• Additional sanitation will take place as well as sanitation stations will be available in various locations throughout the facility.
	Chlorine is used to disinfect the water and adjacent surfaces constantly.
	• We request that all attendees notify the meet director as soon as possible if they have tested positive for COVID-19, shown symptoms or have been in contact with anyone exposed to COVID-19 after attending the meet.
RULES	Current USA Swimming rules shall govern this meet.
	• All applicable adults participating in or associated with this meet acknowledge that they are subject to the provisions of the USA Swimming <u>Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy</u> ("MAAPP"), and that they understand that compliance with the MAAPP policy is a condition of participation in the conduct of this competition.
	No on-deck USA-S registration is permitted.
	• In compliance with USA Swimming Rules and Regulations, the use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone is not permitted in the changing areas, rest rooms, or locker rooms. Per PVS policy, the use of equipment capable of taking pictures (e.g., cell phones, cameras, etc.) is banned from behind the starting blocks during the entire meet, including warm up, competition and cool down periods.
	Deck changes are prohibited.
	• 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.
	• Operation of a drone or any other flying devices 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.
	Dive-over starts will not be used.
	• The Meet Director and the PVS Technical Committee reserve the right to limit events, heats, swimmers or adjust the format to conform with the 4-hour provision for sessions that include 12 & U events per Rule 205.3.1F.

EVENT RULES	All events are swum as timed finals, fastest to slowest.
	• The timelines are anticipated to be very short, it is advised to not swim back to back events if possible. Breaks may be added in sessions at the discretion of the meet director and meet referee.
	 All swimmers must provide their own timer and counter (if desired) for the 800m free. Counters must be swimmers, coaches, or volunteers already present for the session.
	• The and 1500m free will be limited to two heats per gender (top 16) based on entry times. If space permits, genders may be combined to provide maximum number of swimming opportunities.
	 The 400m IM may be limited to a maximum of four heats each (32 swimmers) if needed to limit the length of their session.
	• If a swimmer is removed from a distance event, they will be provided the opportunity to enter an alternative event.
	• Swimmers 13 & over may enter and compete in up to three (3) events throughout the day and may be permitted one time trial (if time permits). Swimmers 12 & under may enter and compete in up to three (3) events throughout the day.
	• Swimmers age 12& under may only enter one (1) session per day.
	• Swimmers must swim in their designated age group based on their age on June 13, 2021.
	 Events will be seeded using LCM times.
	• Entering with NT is allowed but coaches are encouraged to provide a coach's time if possible.
TIME TRIALS	 If time permits, there will be time trials offered for athletes 13 & over that are looking to qualify for upcoming championship meets at the conclusion of the session. Only events 400m and under will be permitted for the trials.
	• Only swimmers already entered in the meet (paying \$10.00 surcharge) are permitted to swim time trials.
	• Events will be combined and will be swum shortest to longest and seeded fastest to slowest. If time does not permit longer events, only 200m races and shorter will be allowed.
	Athletes must provide their own timer.
	One time trial entry is permitted per swimmer.
	• \$11.00 entry per swim.
	• Entry for time trials will be done online and paid for at the time of entering. See process announced prior to the meet.
	• 12 & under athletes are not permitted to swim time trials.
	• Time Trials will start no more than 15 minutes following the conclusion of the session.
	• The pool will be available for warm up for no more than 10 minutes
	The following events will be offered:
	50 free, 50 back, 50 breast, 50 fly
	100 free, 100 back, 100 breast, 100 fly
	200 free, 200 back, 200 breast, 200 IM
	400 free, 400 IM
POSITIVE CHECK IN	• Check in for positive check in distance events (400m+) is done at the entrance of the facility and
	athletes will be required to acknowledge that they plan to swim before entering the facility.
WARM-UP	 If needed additional events may require positive check in to ensure the lanes are full. The prescribed PVS warm-up procedures and safety policies will be followed. The Meet Director
	may determine the structure of warm-up, including times/lane assignments.
	• No more than 20 swimmers per lane (200 total) will be permitted and warm up protocol will be provided prior to the meet for coaches.
	• 1-2 lanes will be available throughout the meet for warm up and cool down. No more than 20 swimmers may be in any lane at any time.

SUPERVISION	• Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their swimmers and cleaning up for their team areas.				
	 Meet Marshals will be used to patrol the facility as well as help with crowd control and COVID regulation compliance. 				
SEEDING	• All events 200m and less will be pre-seeded seeded at 10:00am the morning of the meet. Scratches are requested before this time to be sent to the meet director. (meets@swimoccs.org)				
	• Events 400m and longer will be seeded following the check in deadline.				
	• The meet director may determine if combining or splitting sessions is needed to provide additional competitive opportunities and time between events.				
SCORING	Team Scores will not be kept.				
AWARDS	No individual awards will be provided.				
PROGRAMS	Programs will not be sold, however the meet will be available on Meet Mobile and a meet program will be posted on the OCCS website after the scratch deadlines.				
CREDENTIALS	Parents not working the meet as a deck official, volunteer timer or other position are not permitted in the facility. Only athletes, USA Swimming certified coaches, and deck officials will be permitted on the deck. Coaches and Officials should have proof of active USA Swimming membership with them at all times.				
OFFICIALS	• Officials interested in volunteering should contact Jorge Zamora (<u>zamjr4@gmail.com</u>).				
	• Officials' briefing may be done virtually via Zoom prior to the meet. The meet referee will provide meeting details to all officials.				
	• Only limited officials will be allowed in the facility. Early pre-meet sign-up is encouraged if you plan to help. Walk-on officials cannot be accommodated.				
TIMERS & VOLUNTEERS	 One timer per lane. Timers and volunteers will be required to sign up prior to the meet and will be required to adhere to all COVID-19 mitigation processes as well as MAAPP policies. 				
	 Volunteer brief recording will be available. 				
ENTRY	 Entries should be submitted by email to the Meet Director, <u>meets@swimoccs.org</u>. 				
PROCEDURES	 Include in the subject of the email, "OCCS Open #1 - ****" with the club's initials in place of the asterisks. If your club submits multiple entry files include training site in the subject of the email. 				
	 Include in entry email: entry file, report of entries by name, report of entries by event. 				
	• In the body of your email provide entry numbers (girls, boys, totals), contact information (email, phone, officials contact).				
	• Entries directly from individual team members will not be accepted.				
	• Entries by phone or fax will not be accepted.				
	• The Meet Director will acknowledge receipt by return email within 24 hours. If acknowledgement is not received in a timely manner, please contact the Meet Director.				
	• Any club that enters an unregistered or improperly registered athlete, falsifies an entry in any way, or permits an unregistered coach to represent them will be fined the sum of \$100 by PVS and no further entries will be accepted from that club until the said fine is paid.				
ENTRY FEES	Per Swimmer Surcharge: \$10.00 Individual event fee: \$7.00				
	Time Trial fee: \$11.00				
	 Make checks payable to OCCS. Checks may be mailed to: 10371 Central Park Drive Manassas, VA 20110 				
	• Entry fees are due with meet entry. Unpaid fees will be reported to the PVS Administrative Office at the conclusion of the meet.				

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Girls Event #	Event	Boys Event #	
1	Open 50 fly	2	
3	Open 200 free	4	
5	Open 100 breast	6	
7	Open 400 IM	8	
9	Open 200 fly	10	
11	Open 50 breast	12	
13	Open 200 free	14	
15	Open 50 free	16	
17	Open 800 free	18	
Time Trials if time permits			

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Sessions may be altered, combined, split or changed based on maintaining local and state regulations as well as manageable timeline.