

**SANCTION:** Held under USA/Pacific Swimming Sanction No. **17-167**

*In granting this sanction it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming shall be free from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event.*

**NOTICE:** By entering this meet, the athlete or his/her guardian consents to the publication, via electronic, print or other media, information and/or imagery related to their participation at this meet. Such information and imagery may include, but is not limited to, photographs, video, web casting, television, psych sheets and live meet results.

**USE OF AUDIO AND VISUAL:** Photography and video recording from behind the blocks or starting areas is prohibited unless prior permission is granted by the Meet Referee. Use of any audio or visual recording devices, including but not limited to film and digital cameras, cell phones and tablets, and Google Glass is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms. Violation of this recording prohibition may result in ejection from the swimming pool facility by the Meet Referee or his/her designee.

**MEET PERSONNEL:**

<i>Meet Referee:</i> Chuck Johnson	<i>Head Starter:</i> Phil Spratt
<i>Meet Marshal:</i> Dea Ann Joslin	<i>Admin Official:</i> Barbara DeVries
<i>Meet Director:</i> Lehla Irwin <a href="mailto:lehla.irwin@sea-serpents.org">lehla.irwin@sea-serpents.org</a>	

**LOCATION:** Petaluma Swim Center, 900 E. Washington St, Petaluma CA 94952.

**COURSE:** 25-yard outdoor heated pool. Up to eight (8) competition lanes, with separate warm-up/warm-down 20 yard lanes available throughout the meet. The minimum water depth for the shallow end course, measured in accordance with Article 103.2.3, is 6' at the start end and 12' at the turn end. The competition course has not been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4).

**TIME:** Meet shall begin at 4:00 PM with warm-ups from 3:00 to 3:45 PM. There shall be a scratch meeting promptly at 3:45 PM.

- RULES:**
- Current USA and Pacific Swimming rules and warm-up procedures shall govern the meet. A copy of these procedures shall be posted at the Clerk-of-Course.
  - All events are timed finals.
  - Athletes may compete in MAXIMUM 3 INDIVIDUAL events AND 1 RELAYS.
  - All athletes ages 12 and under should complete competition within four (4) hours.
  - Events and/or heats may be combined at the discretion of the meet referee.
  - Entries shall be accepted until the number of splashes exceeds the estimated time line, per the "Four-Hour Rule," based on the athlete's age and gender.
  - If local conditions warrant it the Meet Referee, with the concurrence of the Meet Director, may require a mandatory scratch down. No refunds shall be made for any mandatory scratches.
  - All events shall be swum in event order and in a "FAST to SLOW" sequence with the options of reversing the sequence at the discretion of the Meet Referee and Meet Director.
  - At the discretion of the Meet Referee, events and heats may be combined.
  - **All coaches and deck officials shall display their USA Swimming membership cards in a visible manner. Deck Pass may also be used to prove current registration status.**

**UNACCOMPANIED ATHLETES:** Any USA Swimming athlete-member competing at the meet shall be accompanied by a USA Swimming member-coach for the purposes of athlete supervision during warm-up, competition and warm-down. If a coach-member of the athlete's USA Swimming Club does not attend the meet to serve in said supervisory capacity, it is the responsibility of the athlete or the athlete's legal guardian to arrange for supervision by a USA Swimming member-coach. The Meet Director or Meet Referee may assist the athlete in making arrangements for such supervision; however, it is recommended that such arrangements be made in advance of the meet by the athlete's USA Swimming Club Member-Coach.

**RACING STARTS:** Any athlete entered in the meet shall be certified by a USA Swimming member-coach as being proficient in performing a racing start, or shall start each race from within the water. When unaccompanied by a USA Swimming member coach, it is the responsibility of the athlete or the athlete's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement.

**RESTRICTIONS:**

- Smoking and the use of other tobacco products is prohibited on the pool deck, in the locker rooms, in

spectator seating on standing areas and in all areas used by athletes, during the meet and during warm-up periods.

- Sale and use of alcoholic beverages is prohibited in all areas of the meet venue.
- No glass containers are allowed in the meet venue.
- No propane heater is permitted except for snack bar/meet operations.
- All shelters shall be properly secured.
- Changing into or out of swimsuits other than in locker rooms or other designated areas is prohibited.
- No pets allowed on deck, other than service assistance animals.
- Destructive devices, to include but not limited to, explosive devices and equipment, firearms (open or concealed), blades, knives, mace, stun guns and blunt objects are strictly prohibited in the swimming facility and its surrounding areas. If observed, the Meet Referee or his/her designee may ask that these devices be stored safely away from the public or removed from the facility. Noncompliance may result in the reporting to law enforcement authorities and ejection from the facility. Law enforcement officers (LEO) are exempt per applicable laws.
- 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.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

- Athletes shall be current members of USA Swimming and enter their name and registration number on the meet entry card exactly as they are shown on their Registration Card. If this is not done, it may be difficult to match the athlete with the registration database. The meet host shall check all athlete registrations against the SWIMS database and if not found to be registered, the Meet Director shall accept the registration at the meet (a \$10 surcharge shall be added to the regular registration fee). Duplicate registrations shall be refunded by mail.
- Entries are limited to athletes attached to or training with **SSS, WA or PRNA**.
- Entries with "NO TIME" shall be ACCEPTED.
- Entry times submitted for this meet may be checked against a computer database and may be changed in accordance with Pacific Swimming Entry Time Verification Procedures.
- Disabled athletes are welcome to attend this meet and should contact the Meet Director or Meet Referee regarding any special accommodations on entry times and seeding per Pacific Swimming policy.
- Athletes 19 years of age and over may compete in the meet for time only, no awards. Such athlete shall meet standards for the 17-18 age group.
- Age on the first day of the meet shall determine the athlete's age for the entire meet.

**ENTRY FEES:**

\$5.00 per athlete. Entry Fees are payable to Sebastopol Sea Serpents.

**ENTRIES:**

Team Entries Only: All entries shall be submitted in an electronic format using the TM file provided. Entries shall include: Full legal name, age, USA Swimming Registration number, home club code, and LSC code. Entries are due by midnight, Monday, November 6th. No late entries shall be accepted.

**E-mail entries to:** **Lehla Irwin** [lehla.irwin@sea-serpents.org](mailto:lehla.irwin@sea-serpents.org)

**CHECK-IN:**

The meet shall be pre-seeded. No check-in required.

**SCRATCHES:**

Any athletes not reporting for or competing in an individual timed final event shall not be penalized.

**AWARDS:**

None.

**ADMISSION:**

Free.

**SNACK BAR & HOSPITALITY:** There shall be no snack bar available. Coaches and working officials shall be provided refreshments.

**MINIMUM OFFICIALS:** At least seven days prior to the start of the meet, meet management (Meet Director and/or Meet Referee) shall contact a representative from each club participating in the meet, and provide a preliminary inventory of the officials that club is required to provide for each session. Each club shall, by the start of the meet, provide to the Meet Director or designee a list of Officials who have agreed to represent that club during each session of the meet.

At the meet, meet management shall conduct an inventory of officials, and shall compare the number of athletes entered in each session by each club with the number of officials present representing each club. If meet management certifies that a club has not provided sufficient officials for any session of the meet in accordance with the table below, excluding finals in a trials and finals meet, the club shall be fined \$100 per missing official per session of the meet.

Club athletes entered in session	Trained and carded officials required
1-10	0
11-25	1
26-50	2
51-75	3
76-100	4
100 or more	5

\*Zone 3 shall include assigned and working Colorado, Intermediary/ Chief Timing Judge, and Computer operator in the count of officials for a session although these positions are not carded. Zone 3 shall accept uncarded Trainees in the count of officials for up to two sessions. Teams may use officials "borrowed" from other clubs, or unattached officials at the meet who agree, to fulfill their obligation under the rule.

#### EVENTS

EVENT #	EVENT	EVENT #
1	13 Over 100 Fly	2
3	12-U 50 Fly	4
5	8-U 25 Fly	6
7	13 Over 100 Back	8
9	12-U 50 Back	10
11	8-U 25 Back	12
13	13 Over 100 Breast	14
15	12-U 50 Breast	16
17	8-U 25 Breast	18
19	13 Over 100 Free	20
21	12-U 50 Free	22
23	8-U 25 Free	24
25	12-U 200 Mixed Medley Relay	
	13 Over 200 Mixed Medley Relay	26

Use the following URL to find the time standards: <http://www.pacswim.org/swim-meet-times/standards>