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2024 TYR College Club Swimming National Championship Meet

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Hosted by Swim Club at Indiana University
Meet Information Packet

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Revision Log

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- **Version 3:** March 25, 2023
  USA Swimming Observation ID (page 3): Observation O-IN24193
  Order of Events (page 9): Corrected event number for Men's 4x100 Freestyle Relay

Facts About the Meet

Sanctions

The meet will be sanctioned under both USA Swimming (O-IN24193) and U.S. Masters Swimming (#164-S003). This section will be updated when we receive the USA Swimming sanction number. For information on how to have times count for USMS/USA Swimming, please see **Swimming Rules & Regulations**.

Notes from the Meet Directors

There are a few changes to the 2024 National Championship. Please read this document fully and carefully. For this year's meet, a 1600 participant cap will be enforced. Additionally, the 500 Freestyle will swim on Sunday rather than at Friday's timed finals session. The top-seeded heat of women and men will swim at finals, and the remainder of the heats will compete at the conclusion of Sunday morning prelims.

CCS will have representation at the event and will be available full-time for comments and questions. Feel free to reach out to **ccs.nationals@gmail.com** to contact the Nationals Meet Directors, Mason Pickett and Lauren Winkler, with any questions.

Fee & Deadline Summary

Important Dates & Deadlines

- **Athlete Qualification Period:** April 9, 2023 - March 10, 2024
- **Athlete Registration Opens:** February 21, 2024
- **Meet Submission Deadline:** March 10, 2024
- **Athlete Registration Deadline:** March 15, 2024
- **President Confirmation Period Begins:** March 18, 2024
- **President Confirmation Period Ends:** March 20, 2024
- **Final Changes Deadline:** March 22, 2024
- **USMS/USA IDs Due:** March 22, 2024

All individual swimmer entries are due on March 15, 2024, at 11:59pm ET. If a swimmer is added to a team's roster after the deadline of March 15, 2024 (but prior to the end of the President Confirmation Period), their club will be subject to a $100 late entry fee. Please see the **Entering the Meet** section for more information.

Fees Summary

- **Individual Swimmer Entry:** $20/athlete for the first 35 athletes, $10/athlete rest of athletes
- **Relay Entry:** $10/relay
- **Late Entry Fee:** $100/club
- **Finals Scratch Fee:** $10 per swimmer per event not swum (see **Scratch Policy**)
- **Invalid Entry Fee:** $50 per swimmer per event where entry time is deemed invalid

Meet Administration

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Site Information

About the Facility

Built in 1982, the IU Natatorium is the largest indoor aquatic facility in the United States with a seating capacity of 4,700 and has hosted events ranging from high school meets to national level meets such as the Olympic Trials. Over 100,000 competitive swimmers and fans frequent the IU Natatorium annually. With the ability to fit 4,800 fans it is a great place to watch some of the best swimming in the world. The Natatorium contains two 25-yard competition pools each with 8 lanes. There is also a 25-yard diving well as well as a 50-meter training pool in the facility as well.

The competition course has been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4). The copy of such certification is on file with USA Swimming.

Competition Pool: Two eight-lane 25-yard pools with a depth ranging from 9' - 10', competitor lane markers with custom-designed starting blocks and 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'. Continuous warm-up and warm-down in the Instructional Pool with a depth ranging from 4'6" to 10' and custom-designed starting blocks. The Instructional Pool will consist of two 6-lane 25M courses providing 12 total warm-up and warm-down lanes. Specific instructional pool hours may vary based on timelines and will be posted in advance of the meet.

Seating gallery: Open on both the west and east sides of the facility.

Tentative Parking Information

Garage	Address	Rates/Info
IUPUI Sport Complex Garage	875 W. New York St. (connected to facility)	$7 per day

Ample pay parking will be available in the IUPUI Sport Complex Garage attached to the facility. Only credit or debit cards will be accepted for payment. Parking passes will be provided to meet staff, officials, and vendors.

Visitor Information

We will be blocking hotels through Visit Indy and the link will be posted on the CCS website along with the IU Natatorium website (**link**). There are also many options throughout Indianapolis if teams or spectators would prefer to stay in another part of town/another location.

Details on spectator seating will be announced at a later date. Currently, we anticipate opening presale tickets in March through Ticketmaster. There is a large number of spectator seating available at this facility, and we expect a significant increase in capacity from previous years.

Facility Policies

1. 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.
2. Vandalism will not be tolerated. Any individual caught vandalizing the facility will be asked to leave the facility for the remainder of this meet.
3. Deck access is restricted to competing athletes, registered coaches, officials, event staff, and meet volunteers. 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.
4. 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 deck access. Officials MUST present their current credential or Deck Pass to gain deck access.
5. 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 will be determined at a later date. Belongings should be removed from the deck between sessions and overnight for cleaning.
6. IUPUI is a smoke-free campus.

Meet Schedule

	Prelims		Finals	
Day	**Warmups Start**	**Meet Start**	**Warmups Start**	**Meet Start**
Friday	--	--	4:00 PM	5:30 PM
Saturday	7:00 AM	9:00 AM	5:00 PM	6:00 PM
Sunday	7:00 AM	9:00 AM	4:00 PM	5:00 PM

Thursday Evening Warmups: The pool will be open to teams for warm-up and practice sessions on Thursday evening. Warm up times will be offered from 5-9pm. Depending on interest, warm up groups may be assigned for this session.

Friday Morning Warmups: The pool will be open to teams for warm up and practice sessions on Friday morning. Warm up times will be offered from 7-10am. Depending on interest, warm up groups may be assigned for this session.

Friday Timed Finals: All women's events will take place in the South Competition Pool (diving well side) and all men's events will take place in the North Competition Pool (scoreboard side). The awards ceremonies for Friday events will take place at the beginning of Saturday Finals.

Saturday Prelims: All men's events will take place in the South Competition Pool (diving well side) and all women's events will take place in the North Competition Pool (scoreboard side). The diving well will be available for continuous warm-up/down throughout the session. Athletes must provide their own counter and timer for the 1000 Freestyle.

Sunday Prelims: All women's events will take place in the South Competition Pool (diving well side), along with all heats of the Mixed 4x50 Freestyle Relay. All men's events will take place in the North Competition Pool (scoreboard side). The diving well will be available for continuous warm-up/down throughout the session.

Saturday and Sunday Finals: All events will take place in the South Competition Pool (diving well side). The North Competition Pool will be available for continuous warm-up/down throughout the session. Awards ceremonies will take place throughout the finals sessions.

Pool Deck Hours: The pool deck will open no earlier than 60 minutes prior to the warmup start time and no later than 30 minutes prior to the warmup start time.

President's Meetings: There will be a president's meeting prior to each session per the following schedule:

Friday Session	4:30 PM	Location TBD
Saturday Prelims	8:00 AM	Location TBD
Saturday Finals	5:15 PM	Location TBD
Sunday Prelims	8:00 AM	Location TBD
Sunday Finals	4:15 PM	Location TBD

Order of Events

Women	Event	Men
	Friday (Timed Finals)	
1	4x200 Freestyle Relay	2
3	400 Individual Medley	4
5	200 Backstroke	6
7	200 Butterfly	8
9	200 Breaststroke	10
11	4x100 Medley Relay	12
	Saturday (Prelims/Finals)	
13	4x50 Medley Relay	14
15	50 Butterfly	16
17	200 Individual Medley	18
19	50 Freestyle	20
21	100 Breaststroke	22
23	200 Freestyle	24
25	100 Backstroke	26
27	4x100 Freestyle Relay	28
29	1000 Freestyle (Timed Finals)	30
	Sunday (Prelims/Finals)	
31	4x50 Freestyle Relay	32
33	50 Backstroke	34
35	100 Butterfly	36
37	50 Breaststroke	38
39	100 Freestyle	40
41	100 Individual Medley	42
43	4x50 Mixed Freestyle Relay	43
44	500 Freestyle (Timed Finals)	45

Notes on the Order of Events

1. The following events will be swum as timed finals events:
    a. 200 Backstroke, 200 Butterfly, 200 Breaststroke
    b. 400 IM, 500 Freestyle (Sunday), 1000 Freestyle (distance events)
    c. Relays: 4x200 Freestyle Relays and 4x100 Medley Relays
2. The following events will be swum fastest to slowest:
    a. 400 IM, 500 Freestyle, 1000 Freestyle
    b. All other individual events will be swum slowest to fastest.
3. Important note about the 500 Freestyle:
    a. The 500 Freestyle will be swum after the 200 Mixed Freestyle Relay in the Sunday prelim session, however;
    b. The top seeded heat in the men's and women's 500 will swim in the Sunday finals session after the 50 Breaststroke/
    c. All heats in the Sunday morning prelims will still be in a timed finals format.

4. The 4x50 Freestyle Relay, 4x100 Freestyle Relay, 4x50 Medley Relay, and 4x50 Mixed Relay will be prelims/finals events.
    a. Clubs may change the order and/or composition of these relays between the prelims and finals sessions. Relay cards will be provided to each club.
    b. Only the ‘A’ relay from each team may qualify for Finals.

Athlete Eligibility

As per Section 3.2.3 of the College Club Swimming Governance Handbook:

Eligibility of Swimmers:

A. Any swimmer who has gone through the CCS swimmer registration process and meets the CCS eligibility requirements (4.2) will be eligible to have their times in the CCS database.

B. Any swimmer who swims with a college club program but isn't registered with CCS may participate in non-regional or national championship meets but their times will not be reflected in the CCS database.

C. Any athlete who is currently on a varsity team or has competed in a varsity competition in the current academic year may only compete as an exhibition swimmer and is not eligible for regional or national competition.

D. Any swimmer who does not meet the NCAA amateurism eligibility standards is ineligible to register as a CCS swimmer.

Eligibility of Relays:

A. Relay teams must be composed of four registered CCS swimmers that swim on the same registered CCS club.

B. Men's relays must be composed of 4 male swimmers. Women's relays must be composed of 4 female swimmers. Mixed relays must be composed of 2 male and 2 female swimmers.

As per Section 4.2 of the College Club Swimming Governance Handbook:

Membership of Individuals:

The Club and its university or college decides who can be a member of their local Club team. The below definition is only for eligibility as a CCS-registered swimmer affiliated with the Club, who will be listed in the CCS database.

To be an individual CCS member, a swimmer needs to be a member of a CCS registered Club. They can only be a member of one registered CCS Club at a time. The swimmer must also meet the following requirements:

A. Is at least 18 years of age on the day of CCS registration.

B. Is a member in good standing with a CCS Club affiliated with a university or college.

C. Is affiliated with the university as a full-time or part-time undergraduate or graduate student in the current academic term, a full-time co-op/intern student or faculty and staff in the current term.

For any additional questions, please refer to the **College Club Swimming Governance Handbook.**

Under-18 Swimmer Eligibility

Swimmers turning 18 after the meet entry deadline (March 15, 2024) and by the first day of the championship meet (April 5, 2024) are eligible to compete in the 2024 CCS National Championship meet in accordance with the stipulations outlined in this section. This exception is only allowed for swimmers whose 18th birthday falls during the school year in which they intend to participate in CCS. Swimmers 18 and above may not use this clause to retroactively submit NQTs if they were not registered for the season.

Eligible swimmers must:

- Be 18 years of age by the first day of the championship meet (April 5, 2024).
- Register for CCS on/after their 18th birthday and by the first day of the championship meet. The president of the swimmer's club must submit the swimmer's CCS ID to ccs.nationals@gmail.com and collegeclub@usmastersswimming.org no later than 12pm (noon) ET on the first day of the meet (April 5, 2024).
- Achieve meet applicable NQTs at CCS-sanctioned meets during the same competition season, even if the swimmer themself was not a CCS-eligible swimmer at the time of the meet by being under 18 years of age.
- Submit meet entries in accordance with the **Under-18 Swimmer Entry Procedure** on page 19.

Championship Policies

Swimming Rules & Regulations

The 2024 College Club Swimming National Championship Meet will follow **U.S. Masters Swimming Rules** for starts, strokes, turns, relays, and disqualifications. USA Swimming/US Masters Swimming certified officials will be onsite to ensure compliance.

Specific rules to make note of include:

- **Swimwear for Competition**
  - Swimwear shall include only a swimsuit, no more than two caps, goggles, and a nose clip and/or ear plugs if desired.
  - Only swimsuits complying with FINA swimsuit specifications may be worn. JOLYN swimsuits, or any other suits with tie-backs or other fasteners, are NOT permitted for competition.
  - Medical tape on the body is not permitted unless approved by the meet referee. K-tape on shoulders, elbows, or knees is never permitted.
  - Except where venue facilities require otherwise, changing into or out of swimsuits (except for drag suits) other than in locker rooms or other designated areas is not appropriate and is prohibited. Deck changes are prohibited.
  - Violation of any of these rules may result in disqualification. Exceptions may apply for extenuating circumstances at the discretion of the meet referee.
- **Protests**
  - Protests regarding disqualifications or recorded times shall be submitted to the meet referee within 30 minutes of the event. Protests regarding the conduct of the meet shall be submitted in writing to the designated meet official onsite. If the protest is with the referee, a formal complaint must be sent to ccs.nationals@gmail.com and collegeclub@usmastersswimming.org within 5 days of the event.

This championship meet is in the process of being officially recognized by U.S. Masters Swimming and USA Swimming. Times achieved at this event may be considered for USMS national records and Top Ten times for USMS members, and qualification for other USA Swimming Events. Swimmers wishing to have their times count for USMS/USA Swimming must provide their USMS ID# or USA Swimming ID. Presidents/team representatives must compile USMS/USA Swimming IDs from swimmers on their team into a single Microsoft Excel file and submit via email to collegeclub@usmastersswimming.org and ccs.nationals@gmail.com by March 15, 2024 at 11:59PM ET.

Swim-Off Policy

A swim-off is considered to be part of the total preliminary process of qualifying for the finals. Ties for last position of the finals heat and consolation finals heat will be allowed a swim-off which may be held anytime mutually agreed upon with the coaches/swimmers and the meet

referee but not more than 45 minutes after the last heat of any event in which one of the swimmers is competing in that session. Swim-offs must be resolved/held no later than the end of the prelim session, they will not be allowed at the beginning of the finals session. Ties may be resolved mutually by the swimmers/coaches and Meet Referee in an alternative manner, such as a coin toss or racing a different distance for the same event.

Deck Entry Policy

No deck entries will be accepted for individual events, nor for relay events. Swimmers must enter the events they wish to swim no later than the Final Changes Deadline found on the front page of this meet packet.

Relay Line-Up Policy

Each club will be given the following upon checking in at the meet:

- One (1) relay card for each A relay competing in the 4x200 free and 4x100 medley relays
- Two (2) relay cards for each A relay and one (1) relay card for each B relay competing in the 4x100 free, 4x50 medley, 4x50 free, and 4x50 mixed free relays

The first relay card for all relays will be used to make any changes (if desired) to the line-up prior to the appropriate timed finals/prelims session. It is the responsibility of the president, or another club representative, to submit the correct relay card with the final relay line-up to the clerk of course no later than 1 hour prior to the start of the appropriate timed finals or prelims session. After this time, no changes can be made to that relay's line-up. If no changes need to be made to the lineup on the relay card, the card does not need to be submitted.

The second relay card for the A 4x100 free, 4x50 medley, and 4x50 free relays will be used to make changes to the line-up should the A relay place in the top 24 and qualify for finals. It is the responsibility of the president, or another club representative, to submit the correct relay card with the final relay line-up to the Clerk of Course no later than 1 hour prior to the start of that evening's finals session. After this time, no changes can be made to that relay's line-up. If no changes need to be made to the lineup on the relay card, the card does not need to be submitted. As a reminder, swimmers who competed in the B relay in prelims or did not compete in the relay at all in prelims are eligible to swim in the A relay in finals.

Scratch Policy

For all individual events that swim in prelims and finals, a scratch policy will be applicable. After results for prelim competition of an event are posted at the clerk of course, swimmers will have 30 minutes from posting to declare their intentions for finals.

Scratching will take place in two ways:

1. The swimmer or another club representative must print and sign their name, the date, and the event on a designated scratch sheet at the clerk of course table within 30 minutes of posting prelim results on behalf of the scratching swimmer.

a. A swimmer may declare their intent to scratch depending on the swimmer's standing in future event(s) on the same day, but it is the responsibility of the swimmer to update the Clerk of Course of their intentions following the event(s) they specified.

2. If an entire club is not planning on returning to a finals session, the club president or another representative is responsible for notifying the Clerk of Course and signing off on a club scratch. Club scratches must be completed no later than the end of the day's prelim session.

If a swimmer and/or the swimmer's club fails to scratch and appears in the finals line-up, whether or not the swimmer was originally in the top 24 or not, the swimmer is expected to compete at finals. If the swimmer does not swim at finals, the swimmer's club will be charged $10 per swimmer per event not swum. However, the swimmer(s) will still be able to compete in subsequent days. Exceptions to this rule include injury and illness, in which the meet referee must be notified and will use discretion to accept proof thereof.

Finals & Scoring

For those events swum on Saturday and Sunday, except for the 500 & 1000 Freestyle, the top 24 finishers in prelims will qualify for finals, with the top 8 swimming in the championship (A) final, 8 swimming in the consolation (B) final, and the remaining 8 swimming in the bonus (C) final. Please see the note on page 9 regarding the 500 Freestyle.

Scoring will be on a 24-place basis for all events. Except in timed final events, points for 1st through 8th place shall be awarded solely on the basis of a championship final. Points for 9th through 16th place shall be awarded solely on the basis of a consolation final, and points for 17th through 24th shall be awarded solely on the basis of a bonus final. Only 3 swimmers per team are allowed to score in a single individual event. If more than 3 swimmers from a given team qualify for finals, they will place according to their finish, but the points associated with these places will be forfeited and no teams will receive them. Only A relays will score points; B relays are exhibition and will not be eligible to swim in finals or score points. Mixed relays score points only in the combined division. Points awarded for each place are as follows:

Championship 'A' Final

Place	**1**	**2**	**3**	**4**	**5**	**6**	**7**	**8**
Individual Events	30	27	25	23	22	21	20	19
Relays	60	54	50	46	44	42	40	38

Consolation 'B' Final

Place	**9**	**10**	**11**	**12**	**13**	**14**	**15**	**16**
Individual Events	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10
Relays	34	32	30	28	26	24	22	20

Bonus 'C' Final

Place	**17**	**18**	**19**	**20**	**21**	**22**	**23**	**24**
Individual Events	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Relays	16	14	12	10	8	6	4	2

Awards

Individual medals will be awarded to the top three finishers in each event, and men's and women's high point awards will be given out as well. Team awards will be presented to the top five finishers in Men's, Women's, and Combined Team categories, in addition to an overall Spirit Award. The awards schedule will be available in the Arrival Logistics packet.

Records

All swimmers competing at Nationals are eligible to break CCS National Championship Meet Records and CCS National Records.

If a pool has moveable bulkheads or is not on the US Masters Swimming certified list and a CCS National Record or a Meet Record is broken, a pool measurement must be done after the session is over and sent to topten@usms.org.

Club Absence Policy

In the case that a club which has submitted entries is no longer able to attend due to extenuating circumstances, the club is still responsible for paying 100% of their meet fees incurred upon entry. No exceptions will be made.

Swimmers with Disabilities

All disabled swimmers who wish to compete in the National Championship must meet the USA Swimming Para-Motivational Sectional Time Standards in order to be eligible for CCS National competition. Disabled swimmers are eligible to compete in the 50, 100, and 200-yard events. No later than two weeks prior to the meet, the swimmer and/or the coach/president of the swimmer's club must notify the Meet Referee in writing of the swimmer's disability so that, if needed, there is time for accommodations to be made. The Meet Referee may elect to have them swim the 50's during the able-body 100 events, 100's during the 200 events, and 200's during the 400/500 events, based on entry times. Any swimmer with a disability that is not classifiable by the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) standards, that has been diagnosed by a physician as having a disability, may compete if they meet the national time standard derived from that disabilities' international governing body world standards.

Additional Policies to Note

1. Swimmers will be responsible for swimming in their assigned events, heats and lanes.
2. The Meet Referee may elect to change and/or combine heats and determine the need to do "fly-over" starts. Every reasonable effort will be made to notify clubs of any changes.
3. The no-recall starting protocol will be in effect during this meet.
4. Flash photography is not permitted at the start of any race. The use of cell phones or other recording devices behind the blocks in not permitted at the start of any race.
5. DECK CHANGING IS PROHIBITED and can result in an offending competitor's removal from the meet.

Entering the Meet

Qualification Period and Procedures

The qualification period will be defined as the week after the preceding year's National Championship until one month before the current year's National Championship. For 2024 Nationals, athletes may qualify beginning April 9, 2023, up until March 10, 2024.

As per Section 3.3 of the College Club Swimming Governance Handbook:

- **Section 3.3.3 Results**
  - A. It is the responsibility of the event director to submit the event results in either .SD3, .CL2, or HY3 format to collegeclub@usmastersswimming.org within 7 days of the event. If the results are to be considered for National Championship Meet qualification, event results must be submitted by the announced result submission deadline, even if that date falls before the 7 day deadline.
  - B. CCS and the Competition Committee reserve the right to question any result from any CCS-Sanctioned meet for authenticity and enforce individual and team sanctions for any conduct determined to be fraudulent or inauthentic.

These rules mean that in order to qualify for Nationals, (1) the swimmer must be registered with a CCS club, (2) the swimmer must compete for the registered club and meet the qualifying standard for an event in a CCS-recognized meet, and (3) the host team must submit results to collegeclub@usmastersswimming.org within 7 days after the meet, or by March 10, 2024 at 11:59pm ET, whichever deadline comes first.

CCS Recognized Event Results Submission

As per section 3.2.1 of the College Club Swimming Governance Handbook

A. A recognized meet is any swim pool competition that applies for and receives recognition through collegeclubswimming.com
B. Recognized meets must follow the U.S. Masters Swimming Rules on starts, strokes and relays per 3.1 with at least one person on deck acting as a starter and/or referee as described in 3.3.1.
C. Times achieved at recognized meets may be considered for CCS records, rankings, and national qualification, provided the swimmers are members of CCS prior to the start of the meet.
D. Only times achieved at recognized meets will be eligible for CCS Nationals qualifications.
E. Recognized meets must be swum in a USMS Certified Pool.
F. It is responsibility of the event director to submit the event results in either .SD3, .CL2, or .HY3 format to collegeclub@usmastersswimming.org.

As a reminder, results from recognized meets MUST be submitted to the email above no later than 7 days after the meet occurs in order for those meet results to be eligible for Nationals qualification purposes. Please note that if any meets are conducted on or before Sunday, March 10th, 2024, the meet results must be submitted to collegeclub@usmastersswimming.org by 11:59pm ET on Sunday, March 10th, 2024 in order to count towards Nationals qualification, even if the meet is the weekend of March 8th – March 10th, 2024.

All qualifying times must be swum in short course yards (SCY) in a USMS Certified Pool. Conversions from times swum in short course meters or long course meters courses cannot count towards Nationals qualification.

Times achieved at an altitude of 3,000 feet or higher may be adjusted, for Nationals qualification purposes only, by subtracting the adjustment times (in seconds) from the actual time achieved. The specific adjustments for each age group and gender are found on page 128 in Appendix B of the **U.S. Masters Swimming Rules.**

Event Limitations

Individual Events

Swimmers may enter a maximum of 4 individual events for the whole meet. To enter an event, the swimmer must meet the 2024 qualifying standard.

Relays

Each club may enter up to 1 relay team (A) for the Friday relay events (4x200 Freestyle and 4x100 Medley), and up to 2 relay teams (A and B) for all other relay events. Only the A relay is eligible to qualify for finals, score points, and receive awards. Swimmers may be entered in a maximum of 6 relay events but may only participate on either an A or B relay within a given relay event during prelims competition. However, if a swimmer competes on a B relay during prelims, the same swimmer is eligible to compete on the A relay in finals.

Relay swimmers must have met the 2024 qualifying standard in, and compete in, at least one individual event at the meet. No relay-only swimmers will be allowed.

Entry Fees

- **Individual Swimmer Entry:** $20/athlete for the first 35 athletes, $10/athlete rest of athletes
- **Relay Entry:** $10/relay
- **Late Entry Fee:** $100/club [if any entries are submitted after the athlete entry deadline]

Entry Procedures

Athlete Entry Deadline: March 15, 2024 at 11:59 ET

Each individual swimmer who is planning on competing at Nationals will have until this deadline to register themselves for up to 4 individual events for which they have qualified. Please note

that there is a cap of 1600 swimmers on the meet, and as such, **registration may end prior to the March 15th deadline if no space remains**.

If the swimmer cap is reached before the Athlete Entry deadline, a waitlist system will be employed. The same qualification rules, event limitations, and Athlete Entry deadline apply to those swimmers on the waitlist, along with any stipulations provided in the waitlist form. If a waitlist is needed, the waitlist form will be a Google Form, and will be distributed to club presidents and/or to individual swimmers in a timely manner upon reaching the swimmer cap.

All swimming entries should be submitted through CCS by way of Club Assistant's online entry system, or by way of the swimmer waitlist via Google Form, if applicable. Due to space restrictions and increased growth of CCS and the National Championships, we will be taking further steps to verify and promote an honest competition environment. The meet directors, in coordination with the CCS Competition Committee, reserve the right to question validity of entry times before, during, and after the 2024 National Championship Meet. Should any swimmer be found falsifying entry/qualification times, the team to which the swimmer belongs will be assessed a monetary fine of $50 per swimmer per event.

Under-18 Athlete Entry Deadline: March 15, 2024 at 11:59PM ET

For swimmers turning 18 after the meet entry deadline (March 15, 2024) and by the first day of the championship meet (April 5, 2024) who are eligible to compete in 2024 CCS Nationals by the **Under-18 Swimmer Eligibility** requirements, the president must submit the following to ccs.nationals@gmail.com and collegeclub@usmastersswimming.org by March 15, 2024 at 11:59pm ET:

- Swimmer's full name
- Individual event(s) and seed time(s)
- Link to SwimPhone results where the seed time(s) were achieved
- Signature/endorsement of the host(s) of the meet(s) at which the seed time(s) were achieved, indicating that the swimmer was under 18 at the time of the swim(s), and met the applicable qualifying standard(s)

Under-18 athlete entries that have been emailed in will be entered into the meet first-come first-serve until the cap is reached (if the cap is reached), then will be considered as part of the waitlist based on the timestamp of the email.

President/Coach Confirmation Period: March 18 – March 20, 2024 at 11:59PM ET

During this time, the club president/coach will review their individual members' entries, put together relay entries, pay entry fees, and submit all entries.

Presidents/Coaches may make changes during this time to both individual swimmers/entries and relay entries. For changes requested during the President/Coach Confirmation Period, the club will be responsible for paying a $100 late entry fee. The only exceptions to this policy are as follows:

1. If a swimmer is brought into the meet from the waitlist during this period of time and desires to make changes to their event lineup and/or entry times based on recent meet results
2. Removing a swimmer from a club's meet roster entirely.
3. Relay line-up changes

Change requests during this period must be sent to both collegeclub@usmastersswimming.org and ccs.nationals@gmail.com.

Final Entry Change Deadline: March 22, 2024 at 11:59PM ET

Following these entry deadlines, clubs who have already submitted their meet entries will have the option to make final changes to their entries by emailing ccs.nationals@gmail.com and collegeclub@usmastersswimming.org.

Changes can and should primarily be made during the confirmation period (March 18-20), but any last-minute changes must be made no later than March 22, 2024 at 11:59PM ET. Refer to the "President/Coach Confirmation Period" section above for allowable changes and exceptions to this policy. If a club has not been previously charged the $100 late entry fee, they will be responsible for paying the fee.

USMS & USA Swimming IDs Deadline: March 22, 2024 at 11:59PM ET

Swimmers wishing to have their times count for USMS/USA Swimming must provide their USMS ID# and/or USA Swimming ID. For USA Swimming specifically, in order for times to be eligible for entry into the SWIMS database, swimmers must 1) be an active member with USA Swimming and 2) have completed Athlete Protection Training no later than March 22, 2024 at 11:59PM ET.

Presidents/team representatives must compile USMS/USA Swimming IDs from swimmers on their team into a single Microsoft Excel file and submit via email to ccs.nationals@gmail.com and collegeclub@usmastersswimming.org by March 22, 2024 at 11:59PM ET. There will be no exceptions to this policy.

Officials

Contact Information

Lucy Duncan- Meet Referee (lucyuss@aol.com)

Mason Pickett & Lauren Winkler- Nationals Meet Directors (ccs.nationals@gmail.com)

Application to Officiate

We are looking for parent/visiting officials to volunteer to work the meet, in addition to local officials. It is a very exciting meet to officiate, and it is great to be a part of the action on deck! This meet will host swimmers from college club teams from across the country. Free parking and hospitality will be provided.

Those interested in officiating who are certified as a USA Swimming, USMS, NCAA, NFHS or YMCA official should contact the meet referee or fill out the **Application to Officiate**. Please contact Meet Referee Lucy Duncan with any questions.

Assignments will be made at the discretion of the Meet Referee and completing this application does not guarantee a spot to officiate at the meet. All Officials will be required to attend briefings prior to the beginning of each session.

Officials Meetings

Officials meetings will be held one hour prior to the start of each session at the following times:

Friday Session	4:30 PM	Location TBD
Saturday Prelims	8:00 AM	Location TBD
Saturday Finals	5:00 PM	Location TBD
Sunday Prelims	8:00 AM	Location TBD
Sunday Finals	4:00 PM	Location TBD

Rules and Regulations

The meet will be swum following US Masters Swimming rules as described in the **Swimming Rules & Regulations** section. However, since the meet is jointly sanctioned by USA Swimming, anything that warrants a disqualification under USA Swimming rules but not USMS rules will be noted and will only impact times entered into the SWIMS database.

2024 National Qualifying Times (NQTs)

Women's	Event	Men's
26.69	50 Freestyle	22.89
58.69	100 Freestyle	49.99
2:11.59	200 Freestyle	1:53.99
5:44.79	500 Freestyle	5:10.49
Qualify for 500	1000 Freestyle	Qualify for 500
30.89	50 Backstroke	27.29
1:07.09	100 Backstroke	58.89
2:23.99	200 Backstroke	2:07.99
35.69	50 Breaststroke	29.29
1:17.19	100 Breaststroke	1:04.19
2:46.99	200 Breaststroke	2:24.09
29.19	50 Butterfly	25.09
1:06.39	100 Butterfly	56.19
2:30.99	200 Butterfly	2:07.49
1:07.49	100 Individual Medley	58.09
2:29.49	200 Individual Medley	2:09.99
5:39.99	400 Individual Medley	4:39.49
All relay members must qualify and compete in at least one individual event	4x50 Freestyle Relay 4x100 Freestyle Relay 4x200 Freestyle Relay 4x50 Medley Relay 4x100 Medley Relay 4x50 Mixed Freestyle Relay	All relay members must qualify and compete in at least one individual event