

# 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Sunbelt Swimming Championships

## COVID-19 Safety Protocols

**COVID Safety Protocols:** MSA Masters & Charlotte Swim Masters reserves the right to alter COVID-19 protocols based on local, state, and national guidelines at the time of the event. Here is what is currently planned for the 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Sunbelt Swimming Championships. Any updates will be posted on this page and emailed to registered swimmers prior to the event.

-MSA Masters and Charlotte Swim Masters are not requiring COVID-19 vaccination for participation in this meet, however, MSA Masters and Charlotte Swim Masters encourage participants to be vaccinated for COVID-19, but we understand it is a personal decision based on individual factors.

- Do not attend if you're experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19. If you experience symptoms or test positive for COVID-19 within two weeks after the conclusion of the event, please contact martinfehr21@gmail.com

- MCAC is a large facility that can typically accommodate up to 1000 people. Social distancing will be required by all participants, volunteers and spectators. There is ample seating areas to spread out. Please don't congregate in crowded areas. Spectators will be seated in the balcony bleachers. No folding chairs on deck.

- Please be flexible with your warm-up routine to avoid overcrowding and be considerate of your fellow swimmers. Do not stay on the wall for an extended period of time at any point during warm-up.

-The most recent USMS liability release form must be executed by each participant during the event registration process. To be clear, USMS liability insurance doesn't cover transmission of viral or bacterial infections.

-Hand sanitizer will be available throughout the facility.

-Common areas and surfaces will be sanitized by MCAC personnel.

-Attendees will be required to wear a mask covering the nose and mouth inside the facility at all times except while swimming. Swimmers should remove their mask just before entering the water and put their mask on as soon as they exit the water. Please bring extra masks and Ziploc bags to keep your masks dry. It's also recommended you write your name on your mask(s) and/or your ziplock bag.

-Officials will be spaced, as needed, for social distancing.

-Timers will be given ample space behind the blocks during events and will only step forward to record the finish of each heat.

-Relays will be held with one heat of swimmers behind the blocks at one time. Once the relay heat has concluded, relay swimmers need to clear the area before the next heat assembles behind the blocks.