



# Mini Championships Meet Announcement

March 9 – 10, 2024

Olney Swim Center

Sanctioned by USA Swimming through Potomac Valley Swimming  
Meet Sanction # PVI 24-75

In granting this sanction it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming, Potomac Valley Swimming, Olney Swim Center, Rockville Montgomery Swim Club, and Montgomery County Recreation shall be free from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event.

**Meet Director:** Christa Krukiel [christa.krukiel@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:christa.krukiel@montgomerycountymd.gov)  
(Parents are to contact your swimmer's coach if you have any questions/concerns regarding the meet)

**Meet Referee:** Scott Witkin [switkin1@gmail.com](mailto:switkin1@gmail.com)

**Meet Officials Coordinator:** Certified officials and trainees wishing to work the meet should contact Marcie Ament at [marcieament@msn.com](mailto:marcieament@msn.com) at least two weeks in advance. Officials volunteering for this meet should sign in at the recording table prior to the start of warm-ups. Certified officials who have not previously volunteered should contact the Meet Referee upon arrival to make their services available. A comprehensive officials' briefing will precede each session during warm-ups.

**Clubs will be responsible for providing timers in proportion to their entries.**

**Location:** Olney Swim Center, 16605 Georgia Avenue, Olney, MD 20832 (240) 777-4995

- 8 lanes, 25-yard pool with separate area for warm up/cool down, continuous flow-through gutters, and non-turbulent lane dividers. Diving is not permitted in the warm up/cool down area.
- Water depth is 14' at the start end and 4'5" at the turn (bulk head) end of the pool.
- The meet hosts will ensure the required course dimensions.
- Colorado Electronic Timing System, horn start.
- Semi-Automatic timing (buttons primary) will be used.

### Meet Schedule:

- Saturday & Sunday
  - o Girls Warm-ups: 8:50 – 9:50 AM
  - o Girls Event Start: 10:00 AM
  - o Boys Warm-ups: 1:30 – 2:30 PM
  - o Boys Event Start: 2:40 PM

The Meet Director reserves the right to adjust meet warm-ups and session start times based upon the number of entries received.

**Eligibility:** This meet is open to invited Potomac Valley Swimming Athletes and invited USA Swimming Athletes ages 9 and under. Interested teams must email the Meet Director for an invitation as space is limited. RMSC participation is only for those athletes registered for the Mini or ISS groups. No swimmer will be permitted to compete in the meet unless the swimmer is registered as an athlete member of USA Swimming as provided in *USA Swimming Rules and Regulations*, Article 302.

Swimmers will compete at the age attained on the first day of the meet.

**Disability Swimmers:** PVS and host clubs along with their Meet Directors are committed to the [Inclusion Policy](#) as adopted by the BOD. Athletes with a disability are welcomed and are asked to provide advance notice of desired accommodations to the Meet Director. The athlete (or the athlete's coach) is also responsible for notifying the session referee of any disability prior to the competition.

**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 [Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy](#) ("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 Swimming 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 without the use of the backstroke ledge. 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 the 12 &U sessions in Rule 205.3.1F.

**Event Rules:**

- All events are timed finals.
- Seed times are short course yards.
- A contestant may enter no more than three (3) individual events per day, and no more than six (6) individual events for the meet.
- A contestant may enter no more than one relay per day.

**Warm-Up Procedures:** The prescribed Potomac Valley Swimming warm-up procedures and safety policies will be followed. Continuous warm-up and warm-down will be available throughout the meet. The Meet Director will determine the structure of the warm-up, including times and lane assignments.

**Supervision:** Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their swimmers and for cleaning up the team area around your swimmers. **No personal athlete chairs allowed.**

**Credentials:** **Parents not working the meet as a deck officials or volunteer timer/runner are not permitted on deck.** Only athletes, USA Swimming certified coaches, and deck officials will be permitted on the deck. Coaches and Officials should always have proof of active USA Swimming membership with them.

**Medical Assistance:** Medical assistance will be provided by the Swim Center staff. If you require medical assistance, please notify a facility lifeguard, or a member of the meet staff.

**Volunteers:** The meet volunteer link for timers and meet marshals can be found on the meet page. For the meet to begin on time, all timers' positions MUST be filled prior to the start of the session. Otherwise, the meet will be delayed, and the spectator viewing will not be open, or it will be closed, and all parents will need to vacate until all positions have been filled.

**Spectators:** The spectator viewing areas will not be opened until all volunteer positions are filled for each session. **No personal spectator chairs allowed in the facility.**

**Mini Championship - Meet Page:** Meet session changes, heat sheets, volunteer link, and post meet results will be available here: [Mini Championship - Meet Page](#)

**Scoring:**

Place	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Individual	20	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	9	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Relay	40	34	32	30	28	26	24	22	18	14	12	10	8	6	4	2

**Awards:**

Medals for 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each relay event.

Medals for 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> place in individual events (9-year-old, 8-year-old, 7-year-old, and 6&U).

Ribbons will be awarded for 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> place in individual events.

Team trophies will be awarded to the top three scoring teams at the conclusion of the meet.

**Entry Procedures:**

- Team entry files must be emailed to [christa.krukiel@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:christa.krukiel@montgomerycountymd.gov)
- Email subject should be labeled “RMSC Mini Championships”.
- Email entry must include entry report by name.
- In body of email include total number of swimmers and total number of splashes.
- In body of email include contact information (name, phone number, e-mail) of a club.
- Entries directly from individual team members will not be accepted.
- Entries by phone, mail or fax will not be accepted.
- The Meet Director will acknowledge receipt by return e-mail within 24 hours. If acknowledgement is not received within 24 hours, please contact the Meet Director again.
- 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 the club until the said fine is paid.

**Entry Information:**

- No late or deck entries will be accepted.
- Entry Fees: \$10.00 per individual event, \$5.00 per relay event.
- **Entry Deadline: Tuesday, February 27, 2024 at 8:00 PM**
- Entry fee check payable to **ActiveMontgomery**
- Each club is requested to remit one check (no cash) to cover the entry fees of the entire team.
- Payment for entries from unattached swimmers not affiliated with a team must be received prior to the start of the meet. Payment may be made by cash or check.
- Entry fees are due with the meet entry. Unpaid fees will be reported to the PVS Administrative Office at the conclusion of the meet.
- Send payment to:  
Christa Krukiel  
Germantown Indoor Swim Center  
18000 Central Park Circle  
Boys, MD 20841

**Swim Center Rules and Conduct:**

At the request of [Montgomery County Recreation](#), swimmers are not to leave the pool deck without appropriate attire. Coaches will be responsible for the conduct of their athletes while in the facility and surrounding grounds. Failure to follow these rules or any inappropriate behavior will result in the athlete being barred from further competition in the meet. Parents will be responsible for the conduct of any minor children that accompany them.

- No glass containers are permitted within the facility.
- Swimmers must be in direct contact with their supervising coach before they will be allowed to enter the pool for warm-up.
- No camera cell phones are permitted in the locker rooms.
- No personal spectator or athlete chairs allowed.

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Boys Warm-ups: 1:30 PM; Events 2:40 PM

### Order of Events

#### Saturday

Girls	Event Description	Boys
1	9&U 100 Yard Freestyle Relay	2
3	8 Year Old 100 Yard Freestyle Relay	4
5	7&U 100 Yard Freestyle Relay	6
7	8-9 Year Old 50 Yard Breaststroke	8
9	7&U 50 Yard Breaststroke	10
11	8&U Year Old 25 Yard Butterfly	12
13	8-9 Year Old 50 Yard Backstroke	14
15	7&U 50 Yard Backstroke	16
17	8 &U 25 Yard Freestyle	18
19	9&U 100 Yard Individual Medley	20

#### Sunday

Girls	Event Description	Boys
21	9&U 100 Yard Medley Relay	22
23	8 Year Old 100 Yard Medley Relay	24
25	7&U 100 Yard Medley Relay	26
27	8-9 Year Old 50 Yard Freestyle	28
29	7&U 50 Yard Freestyle	30
31	8&U 25 Yard Breaststroke	32
33	8-9 Year Old 50 Yard Butterfly	34
35	7&U 50 Yard Butterfly	36
37	8&U Year Old 25 Yard Backstroke	38
39	9&U 100 Yard Freestyle	40