



Occoquan Swimming Fall Festivus Invitational

November 22-24, 2024
Sanction # PVI-25-28

Hosted by:



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SANCTION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Held under the sanction of USA Swimming through Potomac Valley Swimming: PVI-25-28 In granting this sanction it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming, Potomac Valley Swimming, Occoquan Swimming, and Freedom Aquatic & Fitness Center shall be held free and harmless from any and all liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of this event. 																								
FACILITY	<p style="text-align: center;">Freedom Aquatic & Fitness Center 9100 Freedom Center Blvd Manassas, VA 20110 (703) 993-8444</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The pool at Freedom Aquatic & Fitness Center is 50m x 25yd with two moveable bulkheads. Competition for all sessions may be held in one (1) 10 lane course running lengthwise into a bulkhead or in two (2), eight (8) lane 25Y competitions running widthwise and separated by bulkheads. Warm up: up to 22 lanes, 25 yards. At least 4 lanes will be available for continuous warm up and cool down. Single Course Water depth range of 13' at the starting end and 6.5' at the turning end. Dual Course: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deep Course Water depth of 6.5'-13' Shallow course of 6.0'-6.5' The meet hosts shall ensure the required course dimensions. 																								
ENTRY DEADLINE	<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday, November 13, 2024, 8:00pm</p> <p>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.</p>																								
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ELIGIBILITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open to all registered and invited teams from USA Swimming. 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 <i>USA Swimming Rules and Regulations</i> Article 302. 																								

DISABILITY SWIMMERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Automatic Timing (touchpads primary) will be used.
RULES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 <i>USA Swimming Rules and Regulations</i>, 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 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All events are timed finals. • Swimmers 13 & over may swim up to seven (7) events for the meet (1 event max on Friday, 3 events max Saturday and Sunday each). • Swimmers 12 & under may swim up to nine (9) events for the meet (1 event max on Friday, 4 events max Saturday and Sunday each). • Swimmers must swim in their designated age group based on their age on November 22, 2024. • Deck entries will be accepted into empty lanes only. No new heats will be created. • Evidence of current USA Swimming registration required for deck entries. • Swimmers competing in the 400 IM, 500 Free and 1000 Free are required to provide their own timers. • Swimmers competing in the 500 Free and 1000 Free are required to provide their own counters (if desired). • Events 400+ yards may be limited to the top 48 swimmers based on entry times if timelines are over 4 hours. • The Meet Director reserves the right to change the format of the meet to best accommodate the space and time for each session.
POSITIVE CHECK IN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friday's events will require positive check in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1000 Free deadline is 5:15pm ○ 12&U 500 Free deadline is 6:00pm or 1 hour prior to the anticipated start of the 500 Free • Events 400y and longer on Saturday and Sunday will require positive check in. The deadline is 30 minutes prior to the start of the session.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meet Director will determine if any additional events will need positive check-in and will inform attending team administrators/ coaches no later than Monday, November 18.
WARM-UP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The prescribed PVS warm-up procedures and safety policies will be followed. The Meet Director will determine the structure of warm-up, including times/lane assignments.
SUPERVISION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their swimmers and for cleaning up their team areas. Meet Marshals will be used to patrol the facility as well as help with crowd control.
SEEDING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All events will be seeded and swum fastest to slowest based on entry time. Events 15 and 16 (13 & over 500 free) and 45 and 46 (13 & over 400 IM) will be seeded in the following manner: 3 fastest heats of girls, 3 fastest heats of boys then the remaining heats will be combined genders and swum fast to slow. All events 200y and less will be pre-seeded seeded the night prior to the session. Scratches are requested before this time to be sent to the Meet Director. (meets@swimoccs.org) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All Saturday events will be pre-seeded on Friday, November 22 at 7:00pm. All changes must be submitted to the Meet Director (meets@swimoccs.org) no later than 5:00pm on Friday, November 22. All Sunday events will be pre-seeded on Saturday, November 18 at 4:00pm. All changes must be submitted to the Meet Director (meets@swimoccs.org) no later than 2:00pm on Saturday, November 23. Events 400y and longer will be seeded following the check-in deadline which is 30 minutes prior to the start of the session. The meet director may determine if combining or splitting sessions is needed to provide additional competitive opportunities and time between events.
SCORING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No team scores will be kept.
AWARDS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No awards will be given.
PROGRAMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 on Friday, November 22.
CREDENTIALS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parents not working the meet as a deck official, volunteer timer or other position may not be permitted in the facility. It is the intent to offer some live viewing areas during the meet. If there is not space, 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.
OFFICIALS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Officials interested in volunteering should complete the Online Signup or contact John Avelis javelis3@gmail.com 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 Referee upon arrival to make their services available. A comprehensive officials' briefing will precede each session during warm-ups.
TIMERS & VOLUNTEERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two timers per lane for all sessions except Friday Distance Session. Timers and volunteers will be required to adhere to all MAAPP 2.0 policies. Volunteer briefings will take place just prior to the sessions start times. Swimmers competing in the 400 IM, 500 free and 1000 free are required to provide their own timers. Swimmers competing in the 500 free and 1000 free are required to provide their own counters (if desired).
ENTRY PROCEDURES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Entries should be submitted by email to the Meet Director, meets@swimoccs.org. Include in the subject of the email, "OCCS Fall Fest - ****" 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.

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Friday, November 22

Girls		Boys
	Session 1	
1	1000 Free	2
3	12 U 500 Free	4

Saturday, November 23

Sunday, November 24

Session 3			Session 5		
Girls	13 & Over	Boys	Girls	13 & Over	Boys
5	100 Breast	6	35	200 Fly	36
7	200 Free	8	37	200 Breast	38
9	100 Fly	10	39	100 Back	40
11	200 Back	12	41	200 IM	42
13	50 Free	14	43	100 Free	44
15	400 IM *	16	45	500 Free *	46

Session 4			Session 6		
Girls	12 & Under	Boys	Girls	12 & Under	Boys
17	12 & under 100 Free	18	47	12 & under 50 Breast	48
19	8 & under 25 Fly	20	49	12 & under 200 Free	50
21	12 & under 200 IM	22	51	8 & under 25 Free	52
23	12 & under 200 Back	24	53	12 & under 100 Back	54
25	8 & under 25 Breast	26	55	8 & under 25 Back	56
27	12 & under 200 Fly	28	57	12 & under 200 Breast	58
29	12 & under 50 Back	30	59	12 & under 100 Fly	60
31	12 & under 100 Breast	32	61	12 & under 100 IM	62
33	12 & under 50 Fly	34	63	12 & under 50 Free	64
			65	12 & under 400 IM	66

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