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2025 Winter Qualifier
January 31 -February 2, 2025



HOST	Gwinnett Aquatics (GA-GA), Spartan Aquatics (SPAC)
SANCTION:	Held under the sanction of USA Swimming, issued by Georgia Swimming Inc., Sanction #: GA25-023/STT
ATTESTATION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Article 202.4.3: Granted sanctions are non-transferrable to other organizations or clubs. Any such transferred sanction shall be void and the Sanction Committee shall deny any further sanctions to the organization or club violating this provision. In applying for this sanctioned event, the Gwinnett Aquatics agrees to comply and to enforce all health and safety mandates and guidelines of USA Swimming, Georgia LSC, the State of Georgia, and local jurisdiction.
LIABILITY:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In granting this sanction it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming, Inc., Georgia Swimming, Inc., and “Host Club,” shall be free and held harmless from any liabilities or claims for damages or illnesses arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event.
MAAPP: Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy	<p>This meet will adhere to the current Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy (“MAAPP”) set forth by USA Swimming.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. A USA Swimming club that hosts a sanctioned USA Swimming swim meet indicates acknowledgement of USA Swimming’s Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy (“MAAPP”). All USA Swimming members including athletes 18 and older and adults who interact with minor athletes at swim meets are expected to comply with the MAAPP policy. All chaperones, team managers, adult swimmers, meet directors, officials, and non-member parents and meet volunteers are expected to understand and comply with MAAPP. <p>As the host club, you are responsible for ensuring that these individuals know about and comply with MAAPP.</p>
ELIGIBILITY FOR TIME RECOGNITION TO THE SWIMS DATABASE	<p>Effective September 1, 2022, there will NO longer be a 30-day administrative grace period. Going forward, ANY 17-year-old athlete who has not completed the APT requirements by their 18th birthday WILL NOT be a USA Swimming member in good standing unless or until the APT requirement is completed. This includes eligibility to compete in USA Swimming sanctioned meets, club practices and all other related activities. Athletes will continue to receive an email notification reminder of the APT requirement 30 days prior to their 18th birthday as well as a reminder on their 18th birthday. ALL I+USA Swimming members aged 18 years old and older are required to complete APT annually. This is the individual’s responsibility and includes both athlete and non-athlete members.</p>
REPORT DISCRIMINATION:	<p>The Georgia LSC believes that there is no place for discrimination in the sport of swimming. If you believe you are the victim of discrimination, you are encouraged to report the incident to USA-Swimming’s Associate Michelle Steinfeld, msteinfeld@usaswimming.org. Please provide a complete description of the incident as well as a way to contact you and/or other parties involved.</p> <p>For more information refer to gaswimming.org/diversity.</p>
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Informational Section	Starting on September 1, 2022, USA Swimming members can submit anonymously or on the record through plain text messaging at 888-270-SWIM (7946). https://www.gaswim.org/page/d-e--i
Swimmers with a Disability:	Club Meets, sanctioned by an LSC (no time standard) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coaches entering swimmers with disabilities that require any accommodations or modifications, including the need for personal assistants and/or registered service animals must provide advance notice in writing, accompanying their meet entry file, to the meet referee by the entry deadline. Failure to provide advance notice may limit the host's ability to accommodate all requests. Coaches with swimmers with a disability (swads) competing must notify the Entry Chair with their entry and the Meet Referee prior to the meet. • Coaches may use the Necessary Accommodation Form to satisfy this requirement.
MEET DIRECTOR:	Hugh Convery – hugh@gwinnettaquatics.com - (404) 863-6747
MEET REFEREE:	Heather Boyer/Kelly Jowers hlboyerga@gmail.com kmjowers@gmail.com
STARTER:	Jen Dunbar
STROKE AND TURN:	John Joiner
STROKE AND TURN:	Chris Buckley
ADMIN OFFICIAL:	Karin Mack – karin@gwinnettaquatics.com
MARSHALL #1:	Caitlin Martin
MARSHALL #2:	Jacy MacConvery
FACILITY:	Greater Atlanta Christian Freeman Aquatic Center 1575 Indian Trail Lilburn Road Norcross, GA 30093 The GAC Freeman Aquatic Center is a 10 lane, 25-yard pool with Omega timing and scoreboard. The competition course has been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4). The certification is on file with USA Swimming and Georgia Swimming. The depth at the start and turn ends is in excess of 5 feet. The meet will be run in eight lanes with two lanes available for continuous (during the meet) warm-up and warm down.
MEDICAL SUPERVISION:	Coaches trained in CPR and Lifeguarding will be present at all sessions.
SCHEDULE:	Session 1 January 31 – Warmups: 4pm / Meet Starts: 5pm Session 2 (11-12s) Feb 1 – Warmups: 7:30am / Meet Starts: 8:15am Session 3 (13O) Feb 1 – Warmups: 11:15am/ Meet Starts: 1215pm Session 4 (10U) Feb 1 – Warmups: 315pm / Meet Starts: 4pm Session 5 (11-12 girls, all 10U) Feb 2 – Warmups: 12pm / Meet Starts: 1pm Session 6 (11-12 boys, all 13O) Feb 2 – Warmups: 4pm / Meet Starts: 5pm
MEET FORMAT:	SCY - 8 Lanes of competition, 2 warm down lanes. All events will be Timed Final events, seeded slow to fast. Age Divisions: 8&U, 9-10, 10&U (8&U may swim these), 11-12, 12&U (10&U may enter these events) and Open (all ages eligible).
ENTRY FEES:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$8.00/event - Individual event • \$16.00/event - Late entries will be accepted at the meet for empty lanes only. • \$16.00/event – Time Trials. • \$3.00 GA LSC Travel Fund per athlete • \$6.00 GA travel fee applies to all non-Georgia LSC registered athletes.
ELIGIBILITY:	Open competition.

	<p>This meet will be conducted as defined above. All 2025 swimmers registered with USA Swimming and/or their respective World Aquatics Federation, in good standing with their local national federation, will be allowed to compete.</p> <p>All foreign delegations must submit documentation from their federation indicating athletes, coaches, and team support are members in good standing of their World Aquatics affiliated federation. "Host Club" will not allow unregistered swimmers, coaches, officials, or teams to participate in this meet. No swimmer will be permitted to compete unless the swimmer is a member in as provided in Article 302.</p>
ENTRIES:	<p>Since this is a qualifying opportunity meet for the various championships to be held later in the season, all events are being offered. Some age group events are being combined to make better use of time and space. 12&U swimmers needing the opportunity to swim the longer freestyles and the 400 IM can enter those events in the Open division IF IT IS NOT OFFERED AS A 12U event. 10&U swimmers can enter all 12&U events.</p> <p>Swimmers may enter up to four (4) events per day.</p>
CHECK IN CLERK of COURSE	<p>The 400 IM and the 500 and 1000 free will be deck-seeded events with check-in deadlines set at (30) thirty minutes prior to the start time of the session in which the event will be swum. The meet committee reserves the right to deck-seed the 200-yard events as per the above stated limits in order to maintain a reasonable timeline.</p>
ENTRY SUBMISSION:	<p>ENTRY DEADLINE: Date: January 24, 2025</p> <p>Submit one check payable to: Gwinnett Aquatics</p> <p>Submit entries using Hy-Tek team manager. Entries must include the USA Swimming Club Code and each swimmer's USA Swimming number, first and last name, age, and seeding time for each event entered.</p> <p>Email entry file and entry list to: hugh@gwinnettaquatics.com</p> <p>Send check and waiver to: Gwinnett Aquatics GA Qualifier 1436 Benning Place NE Atlanta, GA 30307</p>
RULES:	<p>Current USA Swimming Rules will govern this meet.</p> <p><u>Tech Suit Restrictions for 12-and-Under Swimmers</u> (Note: WOVEN FABRIC-A suit with woven fabric and sewn seams that does not extend below the hips is permitted.) (Note: KNIT FABRIC-A suit with knit fabric and sewn seams not extending below the knees is permitted.)</p> <p>This rule is in effect for all USA Swimming competitions in the United States, so any manufacturer or vendor selling a suit in the United States is subject to the above rule. No Technical Suits may be worn by any 12-Under USA Swimming athlete member in competition at any Sanctioned, Approved or Observed meet.</p> <p>Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, behind the blocks (Including warm-up, warm-down, and Competition), rest rooms or locker rooms.</p> <p>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. 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.</p> <p>Deck changes are prohibited. (Defined as changing, in whole or in part, into or out of a swimsuit when wearing just one suit in an area other than a permanent or temporary locker room, bathroom, changing room or other space designated for changing purposes). Swimmers participating in deck changing could be subject to removal from further competition in the meet.</p> <p>On deck registrations will not be permitted during this event.</p> <p>Operation of a drone, or any other flying apparatus, is prohibited over the venue (pools, athlete/coaches' areas, spectator areas and open ceiling locker rooms) any time athletes, coaches, officials and /or spectators are present. Exceptions may be granted with prior written</p>

	<p>approval by the Program Operations Vice Chair, Program & Events Committee Chair, or designee.</p> <p>All referees, starters, administrative officials, chief judges, and stroke and turn judges, serving in an official capacity in a sanctioned event, must be non-athlete members of USA Swimming or members of other World Aquatics-member organizations. All meet directors for meets sanctioned by USA Swimming must be members of USA Swimming. Except for coaches accompanying athletes participating under the provisions of 202.9 or USA Swimming’s “open border” policy, all persons acting in any coaching capacity in a sanctioned event must be coach members of USA Swimming.</p> <p>Photos and videos may be taken of swimmers during the meet by parents or a professional photographer retained by the host club. All participants agree to be filmed or photographed by photographers designated by the meet host and to allow the meet host the right to use names, pictures, likenesses, and biographical information before, during, or after the period of participation in Georgia Swimming competitions to promote swimming and meets hosted by the meet organizer. If you do not wish to have your child(ren) photographed, you may withdraw your consent by informing the Meet Director before the start of the first day of the meet.</p> <p>Swimmers participating under the provisions of 202.9 or USA Swimming’s “open border” policy must be under the supervision of their own coach or a USA Swimming member coach. The Meet Director or Meet Referee may assist the swimmer in deciding for such supervision, but it is the swimmer’s responsibility to make such arrangements prior to the start of the meet.</p>
USA SWIMMING MEMBER VERIFICATION:	As of September 2022, Deck Pass and Deck Pass Plus are no longer available. To access USA Swimming member benefits, including your USA Swimming member card, download the USA Swimming app. Present this card to verify your USA-S and GA LSC credentials are in good standing.
COACHES: COACHES MEETING:	Coaches will be required to sign in at the Clerk of Course desk to verify their credentials, via SWIMS 3.0, are in good standing with USA-S and their respective LSC. By ZOOM Thurs night Jan 30 if necessary
OFFICIALS:	Gwinnett Aquatics welcomes visiting officials and apprentices and will appreciate help in officiating this competition. There will be an official’s meeting 60 min prior to the start of each session. The official’s uniform will consist of a white polo collared shirt, navy blue shorts, skirts or slacks with white socks and shoes. All officials must present at check in, their current LSC Officials Certification Card; OR a recently completed Apprentice Form; AND proof of current USA Swimming Non-Athlete membership. Credentials may be required for deck access and hospitality.
MEET COMMITTEE / MEET JURY:	The Meet Committee / Jury shall be established during the coaching meeting or prior to the competition and shall consist of the Meet Director, Meet Referee, Coaches, and athlete members, as appropriate. As defined in the Official Glossary (2023 USA Swimming Rulebook)
AWARDS:	Special “State Qualifier” tattoos for all those getting a state cut at the meet. Ribbons will be awarded for 1 st through 8 th place as listed below.
SCORING:	None
CONCESSIONS:	Available
GEORGIA WARM-UP POLICY:	The Georgia Swimming approved warm-up guidelines will be followed for this meet. Warm-up lane assignments will be posted at the pool. USA Swimming Certified Coaches must supervise in the vicinity of all warm-up activities. Refer https://drive.google.com/file/d/1LQK2nLzaLTMIfzWAVwPiOu42YU9yVxQY/view
GEORGIA SCRATCH RULE:	Refer https://drive.google.com/file/d/1LQK2nLzaLTMIfzWAVwPiOu42YU9yVxQY/view

ORDER OF EVENTS

Friday, Jan 31 Session 1

Warm up at 4 PM, Start at 5 PM

<u>Girls</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Boys</u>
1	11-12 200 Back	2
3	Open 200 IM	4
5	12U 200 IM	6
7	Open 500 Free	8
9	12U 500 Free	10

Saturday, Feb 1 Session 2

Warm up at 730 AM, Start at 815 AM

<u>Girls</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Boys</u>
11	11-12 200 Free	12
13	11-12 200 Fly	14
15	11-12 100 Back	16
17	11-12 100 Breast	18
19	11-12 50 Free	20
21	11-12 50 Fly	22
23	11-12 1000 Free	24

Saturday, Feb 1 Session 3

Warm up at 1115 AM, Start at 1215 PM

<u>Girls</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Boys</u>
25	13 & Over 200 Free	26
27	13 & Over 200 Fly	28
29	13 & Over 100 Back	30
31	13 & Over 100 Breast	32
33	13 & Over 50 Free	34
35	13 & Over 1000 Free	36

Saturday, Feb 1 Session 4

Warm up at 315 PM, Start at 4 PM

<u>Girls</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Boys</u>
37	10U 100 Breast	38
39	8U 25 Fly	40
41	10U 50 Free	42
43	8U 25 Back	44
45	10U 50 Fly	46
47	8U 25 Breast	48
49	10U 100 Back	50
51	8U 25 Free	52
53	10U 200 Free	54
55	8U 100 Free	56

Sunday, Feb 2 Session 5

Warm up at 12 PM, Start at 1 PM

<u>Girls</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Boys</u>
57	11-12 200 Breast	
58	10U 100 Free	59
60	11-12 100 Free	
61	10U 100 Fly	62
63	11-12 100 Fly	
64	10U 50 Back	65
66	11-12 50 Back	
67	10U 50 Breast	68
69	11-12 50 Breast	
70	10U 100 IM	71
72	11-12 100 IM	

Sunday, Feb 2 Session 6

Warm up at 4 PM, Start at 5 PM

<u>Girls</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Boys</u>
	11-12 200 Breast	73
74	Open 400 IM	75
	11-12 100 Free	76
77	13 & Over 200 Back	78
	11-12 100 Fly	79
80	13 & Over 100 Fly	81
	11-12 50 Back	82
83	13 & Over 200 Breast	84
	11-12 50 Breast	85
86	13 & Over 100 Free	87
	11-12 100 IM	88
89	13 & Over 100 IM	90

All start times are subject to change.

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Team Name _____ Team abbreviation _____

Team Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Head Coach _____

Phone _____ Home _____ E-mail _____

For entry problems call or e-mail _____

All coaches from your team present at the meet, must be listed

1. Coach _____ 2. Coach _____
3. Coach _____ 4. Coach _____

Individual Event Fees	\$8.00 x (number of IEs)	= _____
GA LSC Travel Fund	\$3.00 x (number of athletes)	= _____
Non-GA LSC registered athletes	\$6.00 x (number of athletes)	= _____
TOTAL		= _____

Submit one check payable to: Gwinnett Aquatics

Entries must be received on or before **Jan 24, 2025**

Mail entries to: Hugh Convery

1436 Benning Place NE, Atlanta, Ga. 30307

WAIVER, ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND LIABILITY RELEASE

I, the undersigned coach, or team representative, verify that all swimmers and coaches listed on the enclosed entry are registered with USA Swimming.

I acknowledge that I am familiar with the safety rules of USA Swimming and Georgia Swimming regarding warm-up procedures and that I shall be responsible for the compliance of my swimmers with those rules during this meet.

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

I have reviewed RULE 302.4 FALSE REGISTRATION and understand that if a swimmer who is not properly registered with USA Swimming competes in a sanctioned competition, Georgia Swimming Inc. may impose a fine of up to \$100.00 per event against the individual, member coach or member club submitting the entry.

Signature/Title

Date