

## 2024 MADISON ALL-CITY SWIM/DIVE LEAGUE RULES

- I. **Madison All-City Swim/Dive League Board of Directors**
- A. The Board shall have the power to make and review rules for the conduct of dual meets and the All-City meet.
  - B. The Board shall consist of one voting representative from each swim club. A quorum, defined as a majority of the Board members, shall be necessary to conduct business. Any action by said Board shall require an affirmative vote by the majority of the clubs in attendance.
  - C. The Officers of the Board shall be:
    - 1. President: representative from the previous year’s All-City swim meet host
    - 2. Vice-President/Treasurer: representative from the current year’s All-City swim meet host
    - 3. Secretary: representative from the current year’s All-City dive meet host
  - D. New officers will begin their terms at the beginning of the January meeting.
  - E. All meetings will be open to all concerned persons except when the Board is meeting in executive session.
  - F. The Board will, at the request of any member club, meet to determine if an infraction of the rules exists and to assess appropriate penalties. All requests for interpretation of applicable rules shall be first made to the chair of the Rules Committee.
  - G. Annually, one pool shall be designated to host and direct the All-City Swimming Championships. A second pool shall be designated to host and direct the All-City Diving Championships. Effective beginning with the 2016 meets and thereafter, each host pool shall notify the Board of its intent to host or not host the applicable meet no later than the scheduled April Board meeting in the year which is two years prior to the year during which the pool is designated to host the meet. Rotation is as follows:

All-City Swim Meet	All-City Dive Meet
2024 Shorewood	2024 Hill Farm
2025 Hill Farm	2025 Parkcrest
2026 Parkcrest	2026 Hawks Landing
2027 Hawks Landing	2027 Middleton
2028 Middleton	2028 Nakoma
2029 Nakoma	2029 High Point
2030 High Point	2030 Seminole
2031 Seminole	2031 Maple Bluff
2032 Maple Bluff	2032 Monona
2033 Monona	2033 West Side
2034 West Side	2034 Ridgewood
2035 Ridgewood	2035 Goodman
2036 Goodman	2036 Shorewood

- H. Additional responsibilities for the host club of the All-City Swim Meet:
  - 1. Submit a proposal and a plan of operation to the Board at the April meeting.
  - 2. Update the records, keeping three sets of city records, one in yards, one in meters, and one for 26.5 meters.
  - 3. Submit a completed Meet Description consistent with that contained as an attachment to these rules at the April meeting.
- I. Each year the treasurer (or head official of the host swim meet) of the Board will order USA Swimming and National Federation rulebooks for each team to be distributed at the Coaches Meeting. Dues paid by each team will cover the cost of these books.
- J. Annual dues of \$50.00 per team shall be collected by the Treasurer at the April meeting each year.
- K. The All-City Swim and Dive League Board shall appoint a liaison beginning in the first quarter of 2023 to manage premier sponsor relationships. The appointment liaison shall serve in the role for a three-year term upon which time a new person will be appointed to the role. The liaison will be responsible for managing existing sponsor contracts, overseeing renewals, and collecting annual contributions from sponsors. The liaison will also be responsible for collecting marketing materials from sponsors, ensuring adherence to contract terms by both the sponsor and the league, and distributing collected donations to each year's host pool for the All City Swim Championship Meet.

## **II. Schedule of Meets**

- A. The summer season will consist of seven dual or triple meets and the All-City Meet.
- B. At its April meeting, the All-City Board will determine the dates for the following year's All-City Swim and Dive meets. The date of next year's All-City Meet will be published on the league web-site by September 1 following the conclusion of the All-City Meet the year prior.
- C. The dual meet schedule will be arranged to take into account the order of finishes during the previous year's All-City swimming and diving meets. The guidelines for scheduling will be followed.

## **III. Guidelines for Scheduling**

- A. Each team should swim and dive, respectively, against the teams in its division (based on previous year's All-City Swim or Dive Meet and at least one team from the other division). There shall be two divisions grouped into the top six teams and the bottom seven. The remaining meets to fill out the 7-meet schedule will be assigned randomly.
- B. The number of home meets should not exceed four in any given year, unless mutually agreed upon.
- C. "Home" v. "away" based on history.
- D. All-City Swim Meet and Dive Meet hosts should have away meets in week seven.
- E. If July 4th falls on a Friday through Monday, do not schedule a home meet for Monona as they cannot schedule a meet on other than Saturday morning.
- F. The weekend before or including the 4th of July, no home meets should be scheduled for Maple Bluff or Nakoma (parking problems).
- G. Once the meet opponents have been scheduled and subsequently approved by the All-City Board, the competing teams may elect to reschedule a meet for a date and time that is mutually agreed upon by the teams involved. Notice should be posted on the website as soon as reasonably possible.

- H. All weekday regular season swim meets shall end by 9pm unless all participating teams and the head official agree to run the meet beyond 9pm.

**IV. Conduct of Meets**

- A. National Federation of High School rules for diving competition will apply for both regular season and All City dive meets unless otherwise specified in these All City Rules. Meet officials will be final judges of USA Swimming rules and National Federation diving rules during meets.
- B. Only Articles 101, 102 and 105 of the USA Swimming rules regarding starts, strokes, turns and non-facility items will be followed with the following exceptions:
  - 1. A swimmer who false starts before the race has started shall be allowed to swim the event as exhibition. The results should indicate a false start disqualification, however no announcement of the false start shall be made prior to the start of the heat.
  - 2. The age of an individual for competitive purposes for the entire season will be his/her age as of June 1.
  - 3. No All-City Meet individual records will be based on a time achieved on the first leg of a relay swim.
  - 4. For backstroke turns, the current NFHS swimming rule 8-2 applies which rule, in part, provides that after the initiation of the turning action, no additional arm pulls may be started; however, kicking and gliding actions are permitted.
  - 5. No technical suits shall be worn by swimmers competing in 12-and-under age groups.
  - 6. Only swimsuits complying with FINA (aka World Aquatics) swimsuit specifications may be worn.
  - 7. Athletes may wear a non-compression, loose-fitting shirt such as a rash guard, with no zippers or fasteners.
- C. Dives that can be scored using a degree of difficulty calculator are permitted.

**V. Contestant Eligibility**

- A. A swimmer/diver may compete for only one pool during a summer season and must meet the requirements of eligibility or membership of that pool. For example, this rule prohibits an athlete from being a member of one pool's swim team and another pool's dive team during the same season.
- B. "Home pool" is defined as the club where a swimmer/diver has a paid swim/dive team eligible membership. A swimmer/diver hired to coach may elect to compete in the discipline (swim or dive) for which they coach, at the pool for which they coach, rather than their home pool. This election must be made by June 1. Under no circumstances shall a coach compete for more than one team at the All-City Meets.
- C. A swimmer/diver who is employed as a coach by a league pool other than their home pool may compete in dual meets as exhibition and satisfy their three meet requirement to compete for their home pool at All-City.
- D. A swimmer must swim in at least one individual event in at least three meets to be eligible to compete in the All-City Swim Meet. A diver must, in good faith, attempt all dives listed on the entry form unless participation cannot be completed due to injury during the meet, in at least three meets to be eligible to compete in the All-City Dive Meet.

If a dive or swim meet is cancelled due to weather, prior to the start of the meet, the meet will be allowed to count towards the three-meet requirement for all swimmers/divers who were registered to participate in the meet.

If the meet is shortened or cancelled after the start of the meet, the meet will count towards the three-meet requirement for all participants who were physically in attendance at the meet.

Any swimmer who fails to comply with this rule may be allowed to compete in exhibition-only relays at the All-City Meet, at the discretion of the Meet Director. See Rule VIII.B. for relay restrictions.

If a competitor is disqualified from a meet (i.e. unsportsmanlike behavior), the meet will not count towards the minimum meet requirement to participate in the All City Swim or Dive Meet. In addition, each case will be reviewed by the rules committee to determine if further sanctions, including inability to participate in the All City Swim or Dive Meet, are needed.

- E. Age groups for boys and girls for swimming are as follows:
  - 1. Eight and under
  - 2. Nine and Ten
  - 3. Eleven and Twelve
  - 4. Thirteen and Fourteen
  - 5. Fifteen through Eighteen year olds plus Nineteen year olds who have completed high school in the spring of the year in question.
- F. Age groups for diving differ only in that the two youngest groups are combined into one group, Ten and under.
- G. All competitors must be residents of Dane County or receive waivers from the Rules Committee.
- H. Swimmers who compete in the Tri-County League are ineligible to swim in any All-City Swim/Dive League dual or championship meets. Tri-County participants will be allowed to dive in the All-City League as long as the Tri-County League does not offer diving and the participants meet the membership requirements of their respective host team.
- I. Meets with three teams competing will be in invitational format seeded by time with awards for the top six finishers in each event and dual meet scoring. Relays in such meets will be seeded in invitational format with teams standardizing their relay seed times according to customary practice (A=11.00; B=12.00; C=13.00; etc.).
- J. Each contestant must be accompanied by a coach before being allowed to compete. All participants must have a signed League Waiver and concussion form on file with their home pool prior to participation in any meet. Each pool is responsible for obtaining signed waivers.
- K. All athletes, regardless of gender identity, are welcomed to participate with athletes of the same gender in which they identify. Each athlete will be registered in the gender of choice for the entire season.

## **VI. Dual Swimming Meets**

### **A. Entries**

1. Each swimmer may be entered in no more than two individual swimming events and no more than two relays. There shall be no restriction as to the number of athletes from any team entered into any event.
2. A swimmer may be entered in (i) an individual event on an exhibition basis only or (ii) in relay event on a competition basis for an age group older than the age group corresponding to the swimmer's age group as determined in sections IV and V as long as the effect of such entry in the case of a relay event does not result in another same team swimmer in the older age group being displaced from swimming in that event.
3. Entries shall be delivered to the host pool by the visiting team by noon on the day prior to the meet. All changes in entries after noon, other than scratches, must be made by mutual agreement of a coach of the host team and a coach of the visiting team. If requested, the host team must supply an entry roster to the visiting team by noon on the day prior to the meet. All swimming entries shall be submitted in Hy-Tek format.

### **B. Girls and Boys Events**

1. Eight and under
  - Freestyle – 25
  - Backstroke - 25
  - Breaststroke – 25
  - Butterfly - 25
  - Individual Medley - 100
  - Medley Relay - 100
  - Free Relay - 100
2. Nine and Ten; Eleven and Twelve
  - Freestyle - 50
  - Backstroke - 50
  - Breaststroke - 50
  - Butterfly - 50
  - Individual Medley - 100
  - Medley Relay - 200
  - Free Relay - 200
3. Thirteen and Fourteen
  - Freestyle - 100
  - Backstroke - 100
  - Breaststroke - 100
  - Butterfly - 50
  - Individual Medley - 100
  - Medley Relay - 200
  - Free Relay – 200
4. Fifteen through Eighteen plus eligible Nineteen
  - Freestyle - 100
  - Backstroke - 100
  - Breaststroke - 100
  - Butterfly - 100
  - Individual Medley - 200

Medley Relay - 200

Free Relay – 200

5. Unified

Freestyle – 25

Freestyle – 50

Backstroke - 25

C. Swimming Competition

1. Swimming meets will begin no later than 8:30 AM Saturday, unless otherwise arranged by mutual consent of the pools involved. Start times for all meets will be posted on the All-City website together with the meet schedule.
2. Coaches should report all scratches to the meet referee prior to the beginning of all meets
3. The host team will be assigned the odd lanes and the visiting team will swim in the even lanes.
4. Swimming events will run in the following order: Medley Relay; Freestyle; Backstroke; Individual Medley; Breaststroke; Butterfly; & Free Relay. The only exceptions to this order are that the freestyle relays for eight and unders will be swum at the end of all backstroke events and prior to the individual medley events; and the eight and under 100-meter individual medley events will be swum after the 15-18 100-meter butterfly events.
5. Youngest swimmers swim first.
6. Girls precede boys.
7. The order of events and/or the events may be changed by mutual agreement of the coaches and the meet referee during dual meets.
8. Fly over starts shall be used.
9. Coaches having swimmers requesting special accommodations shall send the request to the All-City Swim and Dive Rules Committee. If the Rules Committee does not issue a decision by the start of the meet, then coaches shall notify the Meet Referee at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the first event of the day for which an accommodation is requested. The Meet Referee shall determine if the requested accommodations are appropriate and can be met.

D. Scoring and Awards

1. Dual meet point awards:  
Relays: 8-4-2 with no more than 2 relays scoring per team per relay event.  
Individual Events: 6-4-3-2-1-0 with no more than three individuals per team scoring per individual event.
2. Dual meets will be run as timed finals. (In timed finals, places shall be determined on a time basis, subject to the order of finish within each heat and based upon the ranking system used at the meet. Any ties resulting from the procedure used shall be declared officially tied for awards and points, with no further attempt at resolution).
3. In case of a tie by two or more competitors for any place scoring in an event, the points for each place involved in the tie shall be divided equally among the tying competitors.
4. The limit on the number of relays and individuals eligible to score described in section VI.D.1. applies to the manner in which points are awarded but not the manner in which ribbons are awarded. Ribbons are awarded based on actual finish place. Points remaining to be awarded after application of the limits described in

section VI.D.1. shall be awarded to the non-sweeping team if and to the extent that team has a legal finisher or legal finishers (as the case may be) in the particular event to which the limit is applied and if the non-sweeping team does not have a legal finisher for the remaining place(s) to be scored, then the points for such places(s) shall be eliminated from the scoring for the event provided however that if there is no entry for the relay from the non-sweeping team, the sweeping team may be awarded points for all three places.

- E. Ribbons will be awarded for 1st through 6th places, both individual events and relays, for age 8 and under through twelve. Heat ribbons will be awarded for all heats. Swimmers thirteen and older can request to receive their ribbons.
- F. It is the responsibility of the host team to enter the meet results onto the All-City website.

## **VII. Dual Diving Meets**

### **A. Entries**

- 1. There is no limitation on the number of divers in any single age group.
- 2. A diver may dive on an exhibition basis in an age group older than the age group corresponding to the diver's age group as determine in sections IV and V. A diver may not compete in more than one age group in the same meet.
- 3. Each diver shall submit a Madison All-City Diving score sheet which includes the number, written description, position, and degree of difficulty with the number of voluntary and optional dives circled and the order in which the dives will be attempted. The dive number and position shall be the official description of the dive and take precedence.

### **B. Events**

- 1. The competition for ten and under shall consist of one required dive and four optional dives. For eleven and up, the competition shall consist of one required dive and five optional dives.
- 2. The required groups for each age group will be determined by lot by the host team by Wednesday of that week. A required group must not be repeated throughout the four age groups.
  - a. For 12 and under, the required group shall be a forward, back, inward or twist.
  - b. For 13 and older, the required group shall include those listed above plus the reverse group.
  - c. The required dive for each of the age groups will be assigned its DD up to 1.8. Any required dive with a DD greater than 1.8 will be assigned a DD of 1.8.
  - d. Any diver failing the required dive, who then goes on to score enough points from the remaining dives to place in the top five positions, will score points and receive awards following the rules in section VII F.
- 3. Competition for 10 and under divers shall consist of one required and four optional dives. Divers must use three of the five dive groups within the five rounds. The required dive will count as one of the three dive groups. For 11 and older divers, the competition shall consist of one required and five optional dives. Divers must use four of the five dive groups within the six rounds. The required dive will count as one of the four dive groups.

### **C. Managing Diving Competition**

1. Warm-ups shall consist of one hour session in dual meets with the host team warming up at 3 PM and the visiting team warming up at 4 PM.
2. Practice dives are permitted only prior to each session of the diving meet. This includes an additional practice approach, with or without a water entry, immediately prior to the start of diving competition.
3. Younger divers dive first.
4. Girls precede boys.
5. Age/sex groups can be combined at the discretion of the meet director if there are only a few divers in a group. The awards and scoring are still separate for each age/sex group.
6. The order of events and/or the events may be changed by mutual agreement of the coaches during dual meets.
7. If a diver fails to appear for a dive, it will count as a failed dive. The diver will be allowed to dive for his/her remaining dives.
8. To ensure the safety of divers and promote fairness in competition, pools should be closed during diving competition.
9. Coaches having divers requesting special accommodations shall send the request to the All-City Swim and Dive Rules Committee. If the Rules Committee does not issue a decision by the start of the meet, Coaches shall notify the Host Pool's head official or designee at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the first event of the day for which an accommodation is requested. The Host Pool's head official shall determine if the requested accommodations are appropriate and can be met. The Host Pool's head official shall communicate any approved accommodations with all dive officials.

D. Officials

1. A judging panel of three judges shall be positioned on one or both sides of the diving board with an unobstructed view of all diving competition. The host team will provide two of the three judges; the visiting team is responsible for providing one judge. Every attempt should be made to provide a three-judge panel (having a coach dive early, using two visiting team/one host). Judges should be limited to coaches listed on each team's roster. If unable to provide three-judge panel, two judges (one from each team) should be used. The sum of the scores added and then multiplied by 1.5. The total is then multiplied by degree of difficulty for total score. Upon mutual agreement of coaches of all affiliated pools at dual and triple-dual meets, the number and position of judges, as well as the order of events, may be modified.

E. Awarding Points

1. A dive is deficient if, in a judge's opinion:
  - a. A diver enters the water in a "cannonball" on dive 104.
    1. For 10 and under a maximum award of four will be given
    2. For 11 and older a maximum award of three will be given
  - b. A diver fails to square out of a twist before entering the water (same rules apply for age groups and awards as listed above in VII.E.1.a)
  - c. The diver uses the tuck position on a twisting dive listed in the free position other than dives 5221, 5231, and 5331.

F. Scoring

1. Dual meet point awards for diving: 6-4-3-2-1-0 with no more than three individuals per team scoring per age group.



2. Ribbons will be awarded for 1st through 6th places for each age group for both boys and girls.
3. The limit on the number of individuals eligible to score described in section VII.F.1. applies to the manner in which points are awarded but not the manner in which ribbons are awarded. Ribbons are awarded based on actual finish place. Points remaining to be awarded after application of the limits described in section VII.F.1. shall be awarded to the non-sweeping team if and to the extent that team has a legal finisher or legal finishers (as the case may be) in the age group to which the limit is applied and if the non-sweeping team does not have a legal finisher for the remaining place(s) to be scored, then the points for such places(s) shall be eliminated from the scoring for the age group.

#### **VIII. All-City Championship Swim and Dive Meets**

##### **A. Competition**

1. The All City championship swim meet shall include the same events listed in VI B.
2. There shall be preliminaries and finals. Diving preliminaries and finals for two groups will be held Monday and diving preliminaries and finals for the other two age groups will be Tuesday. Wednesday will be a free day. Swimming preliminaries in individual events will be on Thursday and Friday, unless modified a year in advance by the all-city board. Finals in individual events and timed-finals for 9-10 and Up Medley and Free relays will be on Saturday. Timed-finals for the 8 & Under relays will take place on Friday. The 8 & Under 100 Medley timed-final relays will begin the meet on Friday and the 8 & Under 100 Free timed-final relays will take place after the 9-10 Boys preliminary backstroke on Friday. Pools with six lanes will have three-heat finals and pools with eight lanes and ten lanes will have two-heat finals. Scoring and awards are indicated under section VIII.D. The host team decides which age groups will dive on which days.
3. Swim: Each team (not including the host pool) will be assigned a time to practice at the host pool on the weekend prior to the All-City Swim Meet. Only the host team will warm-up in the host pool on the three days of competition. In the event of inclement weather during a team's assigned time, the team will have the option to reschedule practice time later on the weekend or on Wednesday before the meet. Warm-up times shall be rotated according to the pool rotation hosting schedule. Dive: The warm-ups for diving will be held at the host pool on the Saturday and/or Sunday prior to the meet. Each team should have about one hour of time, but the length of time allotted to each team will depend on the number of boards available for warm-ups and the size of the team, i.e., larger teams should have a longer warm-up time, and the time can be shortened if two boards are available, etc.
4. The All-City Board shall approve, as recommended by the host pool, a certified or licensed Starter/Referee [USA Swimming or Master Official (WIAA)] for the entire All-City Pool Meet to act as Meet Referee in accordance with All-City Swim/Dive League Rules. In addition, the All-City Board shall approve as recommended by the host pool, a certified Administrative Official, as defined in the USA Swimming rule 102.10.2, for the entire All-City Pool Meet, to act as the Administrative Official in accordance with All-City Swim/Dive League Rules.

## B. All-City Championship Swim Meet

1. All entries must be in Hy-Tek Meet Manager format. A swimmer may compete in up to two individual events and two relay events. There shall be no restriction as to the number of athletes from any team entered into any event. A swimmer may be entered in (i) an individual event on an exhibition basis only or (ii) in relay event on a competition basis for an age group older than the age group corresponding to the swimmer's age group as determined in sections IV and V as long as the effect of such entry in the case of a relay event does not result in another same team swimmer in the older age group being displaced from swimming in that event. One electronic version and one hard copy must be provided to the host team. Subject to the terms of this section, teams are strongly encouraged to submit their entries and pay their fees during their assigned All-City Meet warm-up period at the host pool. Swimmers or relays may be added without penalty at any time before the entry deadline as established by the host team and expressed as a certain time of day (the "Initial Deadline"), and the Initial Deadline shall be no sooner than that time which is one hour after the final All-City Meet warm up concludes at the host pool.
2. Individual swimmers may be added after the Initial Deadline until 6 p.m. (Central time) on the Monday of All-City Week (which period is referred to as the "Penalty Period"). Swimmers who are added to their team's entry during the Penalty Period will be allowed to compete in individual events in both the preliminaries and finals, but their team will not receive any points such swimmers may otherwise earn and such points will be zeroed out. For example, if the swimmer finished second, his or her points will not be counted at all, and will not be passed down to the third-place finisher. The swimmers will still receive the appropriate ribbon or medal based on order of finish. In addition, swimmers entered during the Penalty Period will be allowed to compete on relay teams with no loss of points.
3. No later than the Initial Deadline, teams shall submit the number of relays and the relay designations (e.g., Shorewood A, Shorewood B, etc.) and, in the case of 8 and under relays, relay swimmer names. Relay only swimmers are to be entered using the following event numbers: girls – 201 and boys – 202. Relay only swimmers are included in the fees assessed to each team.
4. Within three hours after the conclusion of the last preliminaries session in the meet, teams shall submit the swimmer's names for all relay events taking place during finals sessions.
5. First names, last names, and swimmer ID numbers (if required) must be on all individual entries.
6. Seed times, for individual events and relays, are to be submitted in the appropriate distance of the pool hosting the All-City Swim Meet. A ten percent (10%) differential between yards and meters shall be used.
7. Coaches must provide the first names, last names, and swimmer IDs (if required) of relay team members in Meet Manager format via email as an attachment within three hours after the conclusion of the preliminaries on Thursday and Friday.
8. There shall be an entry fee of \$16.00 (the host pool will forward \$2.00 per swimmer to the Board for administrative expense purposes) for each swimmer.

9. The addition of a swimmer may be made after the Penalty Period at the discretion of the Meet Referee and/or Administrative Official/Referee but any such added swimmer will be an exhibition swimmer. The addition of a relay (number and designation) may be made after the Initial Deadline at the discretion of the Meet Director, but any such added relay will be an exhibition relay. Seed times can only be changed if it can be proved that an error has been made. Meet management error of swimmers' or relays' entries can be corrected without penalty. After the entries for a team have been reviewed with meet management, the coach will certify the entries with his or her signature.
10. Clerk of Course will be provided for all competitors on all days of the meet. All individual participants in 12 and under events in both preliminary and finals; all individual participants in 13 and over events in finals; and all relay timed final events are required to report to Clerk of Course for check in, staging and delivery to the blocks. All relays must report to Clerk of Course as a complete team. Clerk of Course will be provided and is required for all competitors on all days of the meet except 13 and over preliminary participants. 13 and over preliminary participants are required to report the Clerk of Course for check-in and staging but are themselves responsible for arriving to the blocks.
11. Any swimmer who qualifies for a finals race (bonus, consolation or final) in an individual event who does not plan to compete in finals race must declare their intent to scratch from the event no later than 30 minutes after the posting of the last preliminary event of the day. Scratches must be reported to the Administrative Official/Referee or Meet Referee. There shall be no subsequent penalty for a swimmer failing to compete in finals, regardless of preliminary placement. During finals, a swimmer who does not report to Clerk of Course before the start of the consolation final heat of the previous event of the same gender (i.e. two prior events) shall be considered a no-show and barred from that event. For example: Swimmers in event 13 shall report to clerk of course by the start of event 11; swimmers in event 14 shall report to clerk of course by the start of event 12; and swimmers in event 24 shall report to clerk of course by the start of event 22. In the event of withdrawal or barring of a swimmer from that event, the Referee shall fill the consolation final or final with the next qualified swimmer(s). When consolation finals have not yet been swum and a barring or withdrawal is known to the Referee, the Referee may reseed the consolation final and final, if necessary, by inserting the alternate(s) in the appropriate lane(s), filling all lanes in finals. If a consolation final has been contested, the companion final shall be swum without inserting or reseeding for empty lanes.
12. Coaches having swimmers requesting special accommodations shall send the request to the All-City Swim and Dive Rules Committee. If the Rules Committee does not issue a decision by the start of the meet, then coaches shall notify the Meet Referee and Meet Director at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the first event of the day for which an accommodation is requested. The Meet Referee and Meet Director shall determine if the requested accommodations are appropriate and can be met. The Meet Referee shall communicate any approved accommodations to the Deck Referee.

13. Each guest team will be asked to provide at least one Clerk of Course and Timer volunteer per session. Each guest team will also be asked to provide an additional number of volunteers to time and/or clerk which number will be based on the needs of the host pool and in an equitable manner, proportional to the pool's participation (measured by number of swimmers) in the previous year's All-City swim meet.
- C. All-City Championship Dive Meet
1. Each dive team shall submit dive entries in e-Dive via Clean Entries. E-dive shall be used for scoring and generating results.
  2. The competition shall consist of preliminary and final rounds with those divers placing in the top 16 (after prelims) advancing to the final rounds.
    - a. For ten and unders, there will be three preliminary dives of which the first one will be the required dive. Two other dives will be performed in the finals.
    - b. For all other age groups, there will be four preliminary dives of which the first one will be the required dive. Two other dives will be performed in the finals.
    - c. The required dive for each of the age groups will be assigned its DD up to 1.8. Any required dive with a DD greater than 1.8 will be assigned a DD of 1.8.
    - d. Any diver failing the required dive, who then goes on to score enough points from the remaining preliminary round dives to qualify for the final rounds of competition, will be eligible to compete in the final rounds of competition.
    - e. For 14 and under age groups, the required dive shall be a forward, back, inward or twist. For 15 and older age groups, the required dive shall include those listed above plus the reverse dive.
    - f. Competition for 10 and under divers shall consist of one required and four optional dives. Divers must use three of the five dive groups within the five rounds. The required dive will count as one of the three dive groups. Competition for the 11 and older divers shall consist of one required and five optional dives. Divers must use four of the five dive groups within the six rounds. The required dive will count as one of the four dive groups.
  3. All-City Dive Meet Entries
    - a. The entry deadline for divers is set by the host club and expressed as a certain time of the day (the "Initial Deadline"), which will be no later than 8 AM on the Wednesday prior to the All-City Dive Meet. Individual divers may be added to the meet for 24 hours after the Initial Deadline, (which period is referred to as the Penalty Period). Divers who are added to their team's entry during the Penalty Period will be allowed to compete in both the preliminaries and finals, and their team will not receive any points such divers may otherwise earn and such points will be zeroed out. For example, if the diver finished second, his or her points will not be counted at all, and will not be passed down to the third-place finisher. The divers will still receive the appropriate ribbon or medal based on order of finish.

- b. The addition of a diver may be made after the Penalty Period at the discretion of the Meet Director and any such added diver will be an exhibition diver and not allowed to compete in finals.
  - c. There shall be an entry fee of \$8.00 (the host pool will forward \$2.00 per diver to the Board for administrative expense purposes) for each diver.
  - d. The diving entries should include:
    - First and last name of the diver;
    - Date of birth on the electronic dive entry form;
    - Dives and position being performed in each round.
  - e. The host team will prepare a printout of the entries which will be made available at the pre-All City warmups. Coaches shall review the printout and sign to indicate that the dives are correct before the conclusion of pre-All City warmups. The entries in the printout become official entries at the conclusion of the pre-All City warm-up period. This score sheet shall be submitted to the meet committee at the specified time and place, with changes permitted during the first one half hour of the preliminaries warm-up session. Coaches will be asked to initial the scoring form following any change prior to preliminary competition. Final dives may be changed up to fifteen minutes before the final dives begin. Both the diver and coach will be asked to initial the scoring form following the change.
4. The order of divers in championship meets shall be determined by lot, and the same relative position of divers shall be maintained for all levels of competition.
  5. A judging panel of eight judges shall be positioned on one or both sides of the diving board with an unobstructed view of all diving competition. Only seven will show a score; the diver's own coach will not judge. In the event that the diver does not have a coach judging at the time, there is a designated judge who will not score that particular dive. This judge is to be seated in the eighth chair. If unable to seat a judging panel of eight, a judging panel of six will be used. Judges will not judge own divers.
  6. The scorer shall list the award given each dive by each judge. After canceling the two highest and two lowest scores, the remaining three scores shall be multiplied by the degree of difficulty to determine the diver's score. In the event that there is only a six-judge panel, highest and lowest scores will be dropped. Sum will be multiplied by Degree of Difficulty.
  7. The All-City Board shall approve, as recommended by the host pool, a qualified individual for the entire All-City Dive Meet to act as Diving Referee in accordance with National Federation (WIAA) Diving Rules.
  8. A diver must compete in his or her own age group.
  9. Coaches having divers requesting special accommodations shall send the request to the All-City Swim and Dive Rules Committee. If the Rules Committee does not issue a decision by the start of the meet, then coaches shall notify the Meet Referee at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the first event of the day for which an accommodation is requested. The Meet Referee and shall determine if the requested accommodations are appropriate and can be met. The Meet Referee shall communicate any approved accommodations with the judging panel.

#### D. All-City Scoring and Awards

1. Where there are two final heats, individual awards for swimmers will be given through the twelfth place in a six-lane pool, through the sixteenth place in an eight-lane pool, and through the twentieth place in a ten-lane pool. Where there are three final heats, individual awards for swimmers will be given through eighteenth place in a six-lane pool. Individual awards for divers will be through the sixteenth place.
2. Point Awards
  - a. In a ten-lane pool (with two heats of finals):
    - Relays: 48-42-40-38-36-34-32-30-28-26-22-18-16-14-12-10-8-6-4-2
    - Individual Events: 24-21-20-19-18-17-16-15-14-13-11-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1
  - b. In an eight-lane pool (with two heats of finals) and for diving:
    - Relays: 40-34-32-30-28-26-24-22-18-14-12-10-8-6-4-2
    - Individual Events and Diving: 20-17-16-15-14-13-12-11-9-7-6-5-4-3-2-1
  - c. In a six-lane pool (with three heats of finals):
    - Relays: Double points
    - Individual Events: 24-21-20-19-18-17-15-13-12-11-10-9-7-5-4-3-2-1
3. Relays
  - a. Awards - will be presented to each relay team based on the position of finish.
  - b. Scoring – Only one legal finishing relay from each pool may score points with the effect that a relay team may “step up” one or more places for scoring purposes. Relays other than the top placing relay from a pool will be considered exhibition for scoring purposes.
4. Team Awards – trophies
  - i. Diving - High Point
  - ii. Swimming - High Point
  - iii. Efficiency Trophy for both diving and swimming
  - iv. Age Group - Boys and Girls - High Point for diving and swimming
5. The Thomas Knoche Championship Trophy, listing the All-City Swim Champions dating back to 1962, will be awarded to the Swim Meet Champion. This trophy travels year-to-year to the winner of each year’s All-City Swim Meet. A similar trophy/plaque will be awarded to the Dive Meet Champion, with winners dating back to 1970. Pools may purchase an All-City Champion Trophy with league funds (for swim and/or dive) to keep indefinitely. They will engrave the years they won the All-City Swim and/or Dive meets on their trophy.
6. Heat winner ribbons will be given in all events during the preliminaries and the relay events through age twelve.
7. Recommended order for end of meet awards will be:
  - Food Drive Trophy
  - Age Group High Point Trophies
  - Peter Christensen Team Efficiency Trophy
  - Final Team Scores

E. Miscellaneous

1. The All-City Championship Swim Meet is not a sanctioned, approved, or observed USA Swimming meet, unless otherwise noted in the meet announcement. All-City rules supersede USA Swimming rules where applicable.
2. It is the swimmer's responsibility to be at the clerk of course in time to be seeded for his/her event. During finals, a swimmer who does not report to Clerk of Course before the start of the consolation final heat of the previous event of the same gender (i.e. two prior events) shall be considered a no-show and barred from that event.

**IX. Preseason Coaches and Officials Meeting**

- A. The president and vice-president/treasurer of the Board shall co-chair the Coaches' and Officials' meeting with the current year's Meet Director.
- B. The meeting will be held the week before the first swim meet as arranged by the host pool Meet Director.
- C. It is required that all teams have a representative from their diving and swimming coaches present at the meeting.
- D. It is also requested that an official from each team be present at this meeting.
- E. The proposed agenda for the meeting is:
  1. Coaches sign in (name, pool, telephone numbers and email address)
  2. Introductions
  3. Overview of rules
    - a. All-City rules
    - b. USA Swimming rules and National Federation rules
    - c. Philosophy of officiating
    - d. Dual meet entry deadlines
  4. All-City Meet
    - a. Entry deadlines
    - b. How entries will be handled
    - c. Where to drop off entries
    - d. When and where coaches will go to proof entries