



**2018 USA Swimming Futures Championships
August 2-5**

I. Welcome – Adam Kennedy, SwimRVA

A. Welcome remarks, **Dr. Joe Casey – Chesterfield County Manager**

B. Warm-up Procedures

1. The venue will be open 6AM-9PM every day of the championship. General warm-up is available in the competition pool at any time competition is not happening or closed by call of the referee. The 25 yard warm up pool is open throughout the contest.
2. The competition pool will close 10 minutes prior to the start of competition.
3. Pace lanes will open in lanes 1 and 8 and one way starts in lanes 2 and 7 at 8:20 AM and 5:20 PM. If there is demand for lanes earlier, we will open. If there is demand for more one way start lanes, we will open. Please see the meet referee or the meet director.

C. Wifi in Aquatics Center for Coaches

Network Name: Swim-Coaches

Password: Sw1m@m3!

D. **Medical** – On-site medical served by SwimRVA lifeguards at the facility and facility staff for all open hours. All transported athletes or patrons will be transported to Chippenham Hospital. This is also the closest hospital to the venue

Chippenham Hospital
7101 Jahnke Road
Richmond, VA 23235

E. **Parking** is open throughout Ukrop Park. Overflow parking is available in the lot at the building behind the aquatics center.

F. **Hospitality** is available in this room. Please enjoy. There will be a live video feed of the scoreboard throughout the contest.

G. **Results** posting will take place on meet mobile as well as real time results on the event homepage:

www.swimtechusa.com/futures

H. **Time Trials** will be available for \$15/event. Time trial registration desk is open until 10am Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Time trials for the 800 and 1500 will be available ONLY on Friday. Time trials will aim to start 15-20 minutes after the conclusion of the morning session. ALL ATHLETES MUST PROVIDE THEIR OWN TIMERS FOR TIME TRIALS.

II. Competition (Referee)

INTRODUCTION OF LEADERSHIP TEAM

- Administrative Referees
 - David Rigsbee, North Carolina
 - Jack Neill, Potomac Valley
- Deck Referees
 - Steve Lottes, Maryland Swimming
 - Elaine Ang, Metropolitan Swimming
 - Al Kurth, North Texas Swimming
 - Jim Stromski, Niagara Swimming
- Starters
 - Head Starter Barb Chambers, Indiana Swimming
 - Kent Easty, South Carolina Swimming
 - Jean Lalomia, Niagara Swimming
 - Ann Leaver, New jersey Swimming
- Chief Judges
 - Team Lead Rich McMillen, Potomac Valley
 - Chris Barry, New Jersey Swimming
 - Julie Floyd, Kentucky Swimming
 - Mark Posey, South Carolina Swimming
 - Kelly Rowell, Potomac Valley Swimming
 - Joe Tiago, Potomac Valley Swimming
- Time Trial Meet Referee
 - Mike Swaim, Gulf Swimming

TECHNICAL JURY

- **Coach**
- **Official** Al Kurth
- **Athlete**

ELIGIBILITY JURY

- **Coach**
- **Official** Terrance Anchrum
- **Athlete**

MAJOR POINTS

1. **Fly-Over Starts** in prelims
2. **Backstroke Ledge Protocol** – a toe from each foot must touch pad
3. **Circle-Seeding** (final three heats of events up to 400m – final 2 heats 400m)
4. **Relay Cards** – All relay cards are due to the Administrative Referee no later than 30 minutes following the start of finals for each night's relays.

5. **SWIM-OFFS**

Swimmers who are tied for 9/10, 18/19, 27/28/29/30 will be required to resolve the tie before the end of the preliminary session. This includes swimmers who are tied for **any** place and are scratched into one of these mandatory swim off situations.

- Athletes involved in mandatory swim off situations or potential swim off situations are responsible for checking with the Administrative Referee after their event closes and prior to departing the pool after prelims.
- Swim offs will be arranged between the swimmers or their coaches and the Deck Referee for a mutually agreeable time that is not more than 45 minutes after the last heat of any event in which one of the swimmers is competing in the preliminary session.
Other methods for resolving the tie may be used assuming both swimmers agree and the Deck Referee is informed of the result prior to the end of prelims Swim-Offs

6. **Distance Events**

Positive check in and scratches for tonight's events are due 15 minutes after this meeting. Distance Heats will swim slow to fast alternating beginning at 4:00. Distance Heats remaining after Relays will swim Fast to Slow Alternating Women – Men.

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7. **Relays** - All relays will be timed final events with all but the fastest two seeded heats of the 400 FR and 400 MR will be swum in the preliminary sessions. The fastest two seeded heats in the 400 FR and 400 MR will be swum at the end of that day's finals session.

8. **Positive Check-In** is required for all Distance events over 400m. Relays will not require Positive Check In – Pick Up Relay Cards at Admin

9. **Declared False Starts**

- May be used during prelims if your athlete is seeded and cannot swim. Please see the administrative referee prior to the start of the session. After the session begins, please see the chief judge in the starting area. Please scratch by the deadline if you know you are not going to swim so that preliminary heats will be as full as possible.
- Please remember that a DFS will count against the total number of events that an athlete swims in a day. Only a scratch by the previous evening's deadline will reduce a swimmer's daily event count for the next day.
- **You may not use a DFS for finals.** A swimmer who is named in the top 27, does not scratch by the deadline, and fails to compete in finals is out of the meet unless excused by the Meet Referee.

10. **Finals**

Order of Finals – C, B, A. All "A" Finals except relays and Day 1 distance events will be paraded. All other heats, including relays should report directly to the starting blocks. "A" finalists in the 50's will report to the start end of the pool.

11. **Awards**

Medals will be awarded to all place winners in the "A" final. All medalists in each event should report to the Awards Staging Area in full team warm-up attire immediately following the "A" Finals for their event.

Presenters will be the coach of the winning relay team or athlete. Please let us know if this is not possible.

Awards for Thursday's events will be given at the beginning of Friday's finals session. If your team or athlete will not be present, we will get you your medal/s at the conclusion of Thursday's session, once results are finalized.

Team awards and Individual High Point Awards will be presented at the end of the meet.

12. We will attempt to track **FINA Junior World Records**, but would appreciate any help from coaches... if you think your athlete may have established a Junior World Record, please let us know so we can be sure that athlete is drug tested as per FINA requirements.

13. **Masters swimmers** who establish new USMS records must request all necessary information and signatures prior to the end of the session when the swim occurred... (USA Swimming often receives these requests months after the meet).

13. Please remind athletes that the use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms, AND changing into or out of swimsuits other than in locker rooms or other designated areas is prohibited.

13. Scratch Procedures

Deadlines- Scratches for day 1 events are due to the Administrative Referee 15 minutes after the conclusion of the technical meeting and may be submitted by email to the Meet Director. All subsequent days' events scratches are due 30 minutes after the start of finals on the previous nights. Failure to compete in a heat in which a swimmer is entered and has not been scratched will trigger one of the following:

1. Being barred from all further individual and relay events of that day as prescribed in section 207.11.6, or
2. Payment of a fine of \$100

In addition, positive check in by the scratch deadline will be required for all remaining individual events.

Doping Control – The US Anti-Doping Agency (USADA) may be here conducting testing. You are reminded to check all medications (even over-the-counter meds) with USADA at globaldro.com, or 719-785-2000. The FINA rules consider in-competition testing to begin 12 hours before the competition starts and continue through the end of the entire competition (not after the athlete's last race). Any swimmer achieving a FINA Junior World Record must be tested. For additional info, please contact USADA or the USADA rep at this event.

Timelines

Amended Scratch Rule For 2018 Futures

This event will follow the scratch rules as defined in section 207.11.6 of the USA Swimming Rules and Regulations. As provided in this section, the Steering Committee and the Vice President of Program Operations have established that the penalty for failure to compete in an individual preliminary heat in which such swimmer is entered and has not been scratched will be one of the following:

1. Being barred from all further individual and relay events of that day as prescribed in section 207.11.6, or
2. Payment of a fine of \$100

In addition, positive check in by the scratch deadline will be required for all remaining individual events.

Prescratch Estimated Time Line for Prelim Sessions
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Richmond, VA
August 2 - 5, 2018

Event	Heats	Start Time
<u>Thursday, August 2, 2018</u>		
1/2 W 800 Free/M 1500 Free	4	4:00 PM
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BREAK		5:46 PM
3 W 800 Free Relay	3	5:56 PM
4 M 800 Free Relay	2	6:23 PM
BREAK		6:39 PM
1/2 W 800 Free/M 1500 Free	2	6:49 PM
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End of Session		7:26 PM
<u>Friday, August 3, 2018</u>		
5 W 200 Free	12	9:00 AM
6 M 200 Free	7	9:29 AM
7 W 100 Breast	9	9:45 AM
8 M 100 Breast	8	10:00 AM
BREAK		10:14 AM
9 W 100 Fly	18	10:24 AM
BREAK		10:49 AM
10 M 100 Fly	13	10:59 AM
11 W 400 IM	8	11:16 AM
12 M 400 IM	8	12:00 PM
13 W 400 Free Relay	2	12:40 PM
14 M 400 Free Relay	1	12:49 PM
End of Session		12:54 PM

Event	Heats	Start Time
<u>Saturday, August 4, 2018</u>		
15 W 200 Fly	9	9:00 AM
16 M 200 Fly	7	9:24 AM
17 W 50 Free	16	9:41 AM
BREAK		9:54 AM
18 M 50 Free	10	10:04 AM
BREAK		10:11 AM
19 W 200 Breast	8	10:21 AM
20 M 200 Breast	8	10:46 AM
21 W 100 Back	16	11:09 AM
BREAK		11:36 AM
22 M 100 Back	10	11:46 AM
23 W 400 Free	10	12:02 PM
24 M 400 Free	6	12:50 PM
End of Session		1:17 PM
<u>Sunday, August 5, 2018</u>		
25 W 100 Free	17	9:00 AM
26 M 100 Free	10	9:22 AM
28 W 200 Back	13	9:34 AM
29 M 200 Back	8	10:13 AM
31 W 200 IM	14	10:36 AM
32 M 200 IM	12	11:14 AM
33 W 400 Medley Relay	3	11:45 AM
34 M 400 Medley Relay	2	12:00 PM
End of Session		12:08 PM

<u>Sunday, August 5, 2018</u>		
1/2 W 800 Free/M 1500 Free	5	3:05 PM
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End of Session		5:00 PM

