

LESI Eight & Under 2012 Championship Meet
Sponsored by
Lakewood Rec Swim Team
February 19, 2012
Held under USA Swimming Sanction # LE 1209 S

HEAT ENTRY DEADLINE IS MIDNIGHT ON FRIDAY FEBRUARY 3, 2012

LOCATION: Lakewood High School Natatorium, 14100 Franklin Blvd., Lakewood, OH 44107

POOL: 25 yards by 8 lanes, indoor pool, locker rooms, grandstand seating, Colorado timing and scoreboard. Concessions will be available. Parking located on Franklin Blvd. across from Lakewood High School.

POOL MEASUREMENTS: The competition course has not been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C (4).

WATER DEPTH: The depth of the pool at the start end is 9 feet. The depth at the turn end is 3 feet 6 inches..

STARTING TIMES: Warm-ups will be from 8:05 – 8:50 a.m. The meet will start at 9:00 a.m.
At the discretion of the Meet Safety director, warm ups may be split by gender or age group or team.

ENTRY DEADLINE: The HEAT entry deadline is Friday, 2/3/12 at MIDNIGHT. Please enter via the HEAT website. If you have any questions please contact Chuck Duchon - meetentry@hudsonheat.com

ENTRY FEES: Individual events \$4.00 plus a \$2.00 per swimmer LESI Surcharge. Entry fees will be deducted from your escrow account. PLEASE VERIFY YOUR BALANCE BEFORE SUBMITTING YOUR ENTRIES. Entry fees are not refundable.

QUALIFYING TIMES: There are no qualifying times but swimmers must have attained an official time in order to enter an event, entries with NT will not be accepted.

ENTRY LIMITATIONS: Swimmers may enter up to 4 individual events/day, exclusive of relays. Teams may enter 4 relays per relay event. Relays can be all-girl, all-boy or any combination thereof.

DECK ENTRIES: Deck entries will be taken on a space available basis up to 35 minutes before the start of the session and seeded at NT. Deck entrants should sign up in the deck entry office @ \$7.00 per individual event and \$ 10.00 per relay. Deck entry swimmers new to the meet will be charged \$2.00 LESI surcharge and must provide proof of USA Swimming registration.

ELIGIBILITY: The 8 & Under Championship Meet is open to all current athlete members of Lake Erie swimming who are 8 years or younger as of February 19, 2012 and **have swum entered events legally** in a previous USA Swimming sanctioned or approved competition. **Entries with NT will not be accepted.** Coaches must be current coach members of USA Swimming and must check in for each meet or session they attend. All coaches must display the deck pass (wristband is required to be worn by all coaches) issued by the meet host. On-deck USA Swimming Athlete/Non-Athlete registration will **NOT** be available.

SWIMMERS WITH A DISABILITY: Entries for swimmers with a disability should be handled in the following manner: (1) enter the swimmer in the Hy-Tek database (or on the regular entry form); (2) list in the email accompanying the Hy-Tek entry file (or on a separate sheet of paper) the name of the swimmer, the stroke(s)/distance(s) s/he wishes to swim, the entry times, the day/session s/he wishes to swim the event(s), and the manner in which s/he prefers to be seeded (with a longer distance or with a different age group); and (3) provide any information about special accommodations needed by the swimmer. The final determination of seeding will be made by the Meet Referee after consultation with the swimmer and his/her coach.

CONDUCT: The meet will be conducted according to the rules set forth in the current USA Swimming Rules and Regulations. Events will be contested in a 25-yard course. Events are timed finals. Events will be seeded together but awarded separately for 6-UN, 7 years, and 8 years.

SEEDING & CHECK IN: Individual events will be pre-seeded and all swimmers will report to the "Clerk of Course" before each of their events. All relay events will be seeded on the deck. Relay cards must be turned in upon call in order to be seeded. In accordance with 102.1.4, events may be seeded together but scored separately. The Lake Erie scratch rule (attached) will be in effect.

AWARDS: Plaques will be awarded to all participating swimmers. Place plates will be awarded up to 16th place for individual events and up to 8th place for relays events. Plaques and place plates can be picked up at the awards table after the results are announced. At the end of the meet if a participant has not received a place plate they may receive a participant plate from the awards table.

ADMISSION COST: \$3.00 per person. Heat sheets: \$3.00 each.

RESULTS: Will be posted on <http://www.lakeerieswimming.com>. Teams may request a backup at the conclusion of the meet.

SAFETY/WARM-UP: Lake Erie Swimming safety guidelines and warm-up procedures will be in effect at all times. Coaches must maintain contact with their swimmers during warm-up. All entry into the pool for warm-up is feet first from the starting block end of the pool. There is no diving during warm-up, except in designated sprint lanes. The final 20 minutes of warm-up shall be conducted as follows:

(a) Lanes 1 & 8 push/pace from the start end of the pool (or general warm-up at the discretion of the Meet Referee or his/her designee).

(b) Lanes 2 & 7 sprint lanes for racing starts from the starting block end of the pool, one length only and exiting the pool

(c) Lanes 3-6 general warm-up, no diving or racing starts. Any or all of these lanes may be converted to sprint lanes at the discretion of the Meet Referee or his/her designee.

Swimmers are to sprint one way and climb out at the far end of the pool. Swimmers may be removed from warm-up for violating safety rules. The non-competition end of the pool will be available for warm-ups and warm-down only under coach's direct supervision.

Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, restrooms or locker rooms.

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

COACHES: Packets for coaches will be available at the announcer's table.

UNSUPERVISED SWIMMERS: Swimmers without coach supervision must contact the Meet Director or Meet Referee to be assigned to a coach on deck. Any swimmer entered in the meet, unaccompanied by a USA Swimming member coach, 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. It is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement.

NOTE: Only athletes entered in the meet, working coaches, officials, and meet workers are allowed on deck. Other non-participants are expected to remain in the spectator area.

DIRECTIONS: From East: Take 90 West and exit at Bunts. North on Bunts to Franklin Blvd. Left on Franklin and parking lot is on your right.

From West: Take 90 East and exit at Bunts. North on Bunts to Franklin Blvd. Left on Franklin and parking lot is on your right.

EVACUATION PLAN: Emergency Information: Swimmers use exit doors behind the diving well. Spectators exit through lobby doors. Listen for instructions from the announcer, remain calm, and walk toward the nearest exit. Do not gather belongings, just leave.

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sunday February 19, 2012

8:05 a.m. Warm-up, 9:00 a.m. meet start (Timed Finals)

All events are 8 and under but will be awarded separately for 6 and under, 7yrs. Old, and 8 yrs. Old.

Girls	Event	Boys
1	100 Freestyle	2
3	25 Butterfly	4
5	50 Backstroke	6
7	25 Breaststroke	8
9	50 Freestyle	10
11	100 Free Relay **	
12	50 Butterfly	13
14	25 Backstroke	15
16	50 Breaststroke	17
18	25 Freestyle	19
20	100 IM	21
22	100 Medley Relay **	

** Relays can be all-girl, all-boy or any combination thereof.

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INDIVIDUAL AND RELAY SCRATCH RULE

Each swimmer/relay team shall be aware of the meet starting time and shall report to the proper meet authorities promptly upon call.

- A. Pre-Seeded Meets - Each swimmer/relay team shall report promptly to the Clerk of Course or starting blocks prior to the race in which the swimmer/relay team is entered. Any swimmer/relay team not reporting for or competing shall not be penalized.
- B. Events Seeded on the Deck –
- (1) Events seeded on the deck shall be closed for seeding no earlier than thirty (30) minutes prior to the start of the session. Host may provide alternate methods of check-in (such as email, phone, and/or fax) for swimmers who do not plan to arrive before the scratch deadline.
 - (2) Any swimmer who has checked in for an individual event 400 yards/meters or longer must swim in the event unless the swimmer notifies the Clerk of Course or Administrative Official before the seeding of the event has begun that the swimmer wishes to scratch; failure to scratch prior to seeding and not swimming the event will result in a fine of \$25.00 to the swimmer, except as noted in "Exceptions for Failure to Compete" (below). A declared false start or deliberate delay of the meet in events 400 yards/meters or longer is not permitted and will be regarded as a failure to compete.
 - (3) Any agent of a team (coach, parent, swimmer, etc.) who checks in a swimmer for any event when that swimmer is not present at the meet may cause a fine of \$2.00 per swimmer per day to be levied against that team.
 - (4) Events seeded on the deck and swum as a timed final with one or more heats swimming with finals shall provide the swimmer the opportunity to indicate their desire to swim only during the preliminary session by indicating this desire by placing a "P" next to their name on the sign in sheet. Any swimmer failing to indicate this desire who does not compete during the finals session shall be subject to a fine of \$25.00, except as noted in "Exceptions for Failure to Compete" (below).
- C. Scratching from Bonus Finals, Consolation Finals, and Finals
- (1) Any swimmer qualifying for C, B, or A (bonus, consolation, or final race) in an individual event who fails to compete in said race shall be barred from further competition for the remainder of the meet, except as noted below in "Exceptions for Failure to Compete." If such failure to compete occurs on the swimmer's last day of the meet, the swimmer's club shall be fined twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) by LESI. If the swimmer is not a member of a USA Swimming member club, the swimmer shall be fined \$25.00. A declared false start or deliberate delay of the meet is not permitted and will be regarded as a failure to compete.
 - (2) In the event of withdrawal or barring of a swimmer from competition, the Referee shall fill the consolation final or final when possible with the next qualified swimmer(s). First and second alternates shall be announced along with the final qualifiers. These alternates shall not be penalized if unavailable to compete in the finals.
 - (3) When consolation finals have not yet been swum and a barring or withdrawal is known to the Referee, the Referee shall re-seed the consolation final and the final, if necessary, to insert the alternate(s) in the appropriate lane(s), filling all lanes in the final.
 - (4) If a consolation final has already been contested, the final shall be swum without reseeding for the empty lane(s).
- D. Exceptions for Failure to Compete - No penalty shall apply for failure to withdraw or compete in an individual event if
- (1) The Referee is notified in the event of illness or injury and accepts the proof thereof.
 - (2) A swimmer qualifying for a consolation final or final race following preliminaries notifies the Referee or designee within thirty (30) minutes after the announcement of the qualifiers for that race that the swimmer may not intend to compete. The swimmer must declare within thirty (30) minutes following his last individual preliminary event a final intention to scratch or swim.
 - (3) The Referee determines that failure to compete is caused by circumstances beyond the control of the swimmer.