

|  | will qualify for finals, except in the 400 freestyle, 400 IM , which are timed final events. <br> - All 12 \& under swimmers will swim in the afternoon preliminary session. The top eighteen (18) 11-12s and the top nine (9) 10 \& unders in each individual event will qualify for finals except in the 400 freestyle, 400 IM , which are timed final events. <br> - The 400 freestyle, 400 IM , and 800 freestyle are timed final events with all heats swimming in the preliminary session. <br> - For 13 \& over events, the order of finals will be 13-14 B final, 13-14 A final, 15 \& over B final, 15 \& over A final. <br> - For 12 \& under events, the order of finals will be 10 \& under A final, 11-12 B final, 11-12 A final. <br> - The 800 freestyle may be limited to the fastest three heats of each gender at the meet director's discretion. After the psych sheet has been published, swimmers who wish to be removed from the 800 free and added to a different event may do so by contacting the meet director before Saturday, June 1 at 7:00pm. <br> - The 200-freestyle relay and 200 medley relay are timed final events. Relays may be removed from the meet if the timeline is prohibitive. If relays are removed, relay entry fees will be refunded and teams will be notified by Tuesday, May 28, 2024. <br> - Swimmers must provide their own timer for the 800 free, 400 IM , and 400 free. |
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| ENTRIES: | DEADLINE FOR THE RECEIPT OF ENTRIES IS TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2024 <br> - Entries must be submitted in long course meters (LCM) times using Commlink-2 software. <br> - Teams submit entries via email. <br> - A printout of entries must be included or the meet checklist/summary sheet with the name of the person to contact in case of questions must accompany the entries. <br> - Coach Time (CT) and "No Time" (NT) entries will be accepted for events in which a swimmer does not have a time of record. CT must be slower than an "A" time. All entry times other than CT must have been achieved in USA Swimming sanctioned, approved, or observed competition. <br> - Swimmers may enter a maximum of 9 individual event(s), with a maximum of 3 per day, not including relays. <br> - Entries will be processed in the order received and accepted to the greatest extent possible without exceeding the 4 -hour/session timeline limit or the limits as mandated by current Virginia Swimming guidelines. <br> - Email entries to: Ryan Woodruff at LYMEETENTRIES@GMAIL.COM <br> - Deck entries will be accepted for athletes already entered in the meet to the extent that open lanes are available. No extra heats will be added. |
| FEES: | Individual events: \$10.00 <br> Relay events: \$16.00 <br> Time Trials: $\$ 20.00$ <br> Swimmer surcharge: $\$ 2.50$ per person (entered in the meet in any capacity) <br> - Checks should be made payable to: YMCA of Central Virginia <br> - Mail payment to: Ryan Woodruff, 105 Fox Hollow Road, Lynchburg, VA 24503 <br> - Payment must be received by May 31, 2024 for all entries. Failure to pay entry fees by this deadline could result in teams being barred from the meet. <br> - IMPORTANT: If payment is sent via Express Mail/FedEx/Airborne/UPS/etc., please ensure that a signature is NOT required for delivery. |
| SEEDING: | - Swimmers in all events will report directly behind the blocks. <br> - All events will be pre-seeded except for the 400 freestyle, 800 freestyle, and 400 individual medley. <br> - Scratch deadlines for the 400 freestyle, 800 freestyle, and 400 individual medley are at the beginning of the session in which they will swim. <br> - The 400 freestyle, 800 freestyle, and 400 IM will be swum fastest to slowest and alternating heats of girls and boys. |
| WARM-UP: | - Morning 13 \& over sessions, all days: Warm-ups not before 7:00 AM; competition starts not before 8:00 AM. <br> - Afternoon 12 \& under sessions, all days: Warm-ups not before 11:00 AM; competition starts not |


|  | before 12:00 PM. <br> - Finals on Friday and Saturday: Warm-ups not before 4:30 PM; competition starts not before 5:30 PM . <br> - Finals on Sunday: Warm-ups not before 4:00 PM; competition starts not before 5:00 PM . <br> - Lane assignment and warm-up times for individual clubs will be posted on the LY Swimming website no later than Monday, May 27 and will also be emailed to the contact person of the participating clubs. <br> - If the morning session runs late, afternoon warm-ups will begin immediately after the morning session ends. If the afternoon session runs late, finals warm-ups will begin immediately after the afternoon session ends. |
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| AWARDS: | - Individual events: Commonwealth Games medals will be awarded for 1st through 3rd place, ribbons for $4^{4 \mathrm{th}}-9^{\text {th }}$. <br> - Relay events: Commonwealth Games medals will be awarded for first place, ribbons for $2^{\text {nd }}$ and $3^{\text {rd }}$. <br> - 13 \& Over events will be given separate awards for 13-14 and 15 \& Over age groups. <br> - 12 \& under events will be given separate awards for 11-12 and 10 \& under age groups. |
| RULES: | - The current USA Swimming Rules and Regulations including the Minor Athlete Abuse Protection Policy will govern this meet. <br> - All 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 MAAPP is a condition of participation in the conduct of this competition. <br> - Any swimmer initially announced as qualifying for an event in finals who fails to scratch from the event and fails to compete in the event at finals will be barred from competing in their next preliminary individual event. <br> - Any swimmer entered in the meet must be certified by a USA-S 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. <br> - Operation of a drone, or any other flying apparatus, 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 without written USA Swimming approval. <br> - Use of audio or visual recording devices, including cell phones, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms. In addition, photography behind the blocks is not permitted. <br> - Changing, in whole or in part, into or out of swimsuit when wearing just one suit in an area other than in a locker room, bathroom, or other space designated for changing is PROHIBITED. <br> - An athlete suspected of sustaining a concussion or exhibiting signs of a concussion will immediately be removed from competition and shall not return to competition that day. The athlete may return to competition on a subsequent day, but only with a release authorization signed by a licensed healthcare provider. <br> - In according with Virginia Swimming Best Practices, all athletes should shower before entering the pool. <br> - In accordance with Virginia Swimming Policy, only those coaches who have current, valid USA Swimming credentials will be permitted to act in a coaching capacity at this meet. Coaches with expired or non-current credentials will be required to leave the deck area. |
| PENALTIES: | - A fine of up to $\$ 100$ per event may be assessed for any illegal participation in the meet. Illegal participation is defined as <br> - Entries using fraudulent or non-verifiable times. <br> - Athlete competed in the incorrect age group. <br> - Athlete is not registered with USA Swimming prior to the first day of the meet. <br> - If the swimmer is representing a club in competition, the fine will be levied on the Club. If the swimmer is unattached, the fine will be levied on the swimmer. <br> - Any event in which an athlete participated illegally will be rescored and re-awarded. |
| TIME TRIALS: | - Any athlete entered in the meet including relay only athletes may participate in Time Trials. |


|  | - Time Trials will be offered only after Sunday evening finals. <br> - Deadline for requesting a time trial is $6: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ on Sunday via e-mail to LYMEETENTRIES@GMAIL.COM. Include swimmer's name and desired event. <br> - Time Trials will begin no earlier than 5 minutes after the conclusion of the finals session on Sunday. <br> - The order of events for time trial will mirror the order of events in the meet. <br> - The Meet Referee, at his or her discretion, may reorder the time trial events or combine events into a single heat. <br> - Each swimmer participating in Time Trials must provide a timer and/or a counter. <br> - Time Trials are included in the three events per day limit. <br> - Time Trial entry cost: $\$ 20.00$ |
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| OFFICIALS: | Meet Referee: Sue Munson <br> Email: susmunson@gmail.com <br> Phone: (540) 314-5723 <br> - Officials will be needed for all positions and all sessions for this meet. <br> - Team officials chair should submit the names and session availability of certified officials, as well as the names and session availability of trainees to Sue Munson (susmunson@gmail.com) no later than Monday, May 27, 2024. <br> - Officials meeting will take place at 6:30am on Friday morning and 1 hour before each session thereafter. |
| SAFETY: | Meet Safety Officer: Ryan Woodruff <br> Email: ryan.d.woodruff@gmail.com <br> Virginia Swimming Meet Safety Procedures will be in effect |
| TIMERS: | - Clubs will be asked to provide timers in proportion to the number of swimmers they have entered in each session. Two timers will be needed per lane. <br> - The number of timers required per club and their lane assignments will be posted on lyswimming.org no later than Monday, May 27, 2024, and will also be emailed to the contact person of each of the individual clubs. |
| GENERAL: | Hospitality for coaches \& officials will be available for breakfast, lunch, and dinner each day. Liberty University may operate a concession stand during the meet. |
| FACILITY RULES: | - Each club is responsible for supervising the conduct of its swimmers/spectators. Swimmers are not permitted in any room of the building not directly associated with the swim meet. <br> - No glass containers of any kind are permitted in the facility. <br> - Lawn/deck chairs are not permitted in the grandstand. <br> - No spectators/parents will be allowed on deck unless working the meet. <br> - No smoking is allowed on the campus. <br> - No flash photography. |
| DIRECTIONS: | For GPS directions to the pool, use 1521 Liberty Mountain Drive, Lynchburg, VA 24502. The pool is located in the northeastern end of the building that also houses in the indoor track and field complex. |

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