

VIII. ALL-STAR CHAMPIONSHIP MEETS

A. Schedule

Each team will swim in a Division All-Star Championship Meet against all other teams in their division. The All-Star Championship Meet will be held after the completion of the dual meets. The Division All-Star Meets shall be scheduled by the GCSL Executive Board (See attached GCSL Meet Schedule for current season meet schedule).

B. Facilities

The All-Star Championship Meets will be held at a suitable facility as selected by the GCSL Executive Board.

Areas shall be designated for each team, as well as, for spectators. Coaches, swimmers and spectators shall not interfere with the meet officials and meet workers, nor the running of the meet.

C. Meet Materials

It is the ultimate responsibility of each Team Representative to ensure that all All-Star Meet materials are provided in a timely fashion as communicated here and requested by the GCSL. See separate "GCSL All-Star Meet Organization" document for additional details.

D. Meet Documentation

It is the ultimate responsibility of each Team Representative to ensure that all All-Star Meet documents are completed correctly in a timely fashion as communicated here and requested by the GCSL. See separate "GCSL All-Star Meet Organization" document for additional details.

Changes to All-Star Meet entries should be kept to a minimum, and made at least one-half hour prior to the start of the All-Star Meet.

The Clerk of Course may make changes to the heat sheets during the meet.

E. Swimmer Eligibility

For a swimmer to be eligible to swim in the Division All-Star Meet at the end of the current season (Section VIII), that swimmer must have competed in at least *two (2)* dual meets during the current season. There are no events for 6 & Under swimmers in the All-Star meet, however, 6 & Under swimmers shall be eligible to swim 8 & Under events in the All-Star Meet, including the 8 & Under 25M Freestyle event without aging up for the entire season.

F. Swimmer Entries

In the Division All-Star Meets, each team is limited to two eligible swimmers in each individual event and one eligible relay team in each relay event.

Two eligible Alternate Swimmers are allowed for each event, however, the eligible Alternate Swimmers must be listed as such on the *general entry sheets* to be eligible to swim in *any* event. Listing a swimmer as an alternate for an event counts as an entry (as defined in Section IV-F) in that event for that swimmer.

There will be no aging up of swimmers in individual events, unless the swimmer has been “permanently” aged up for the entire season. If a team does not have four eligible swimmers in the designated age group to make a relay, that team may age up one or two younger, eligible swimmer(s) to make a relay under the following conditions:

- At least two of the relay swimmers are eligible swimmers in the designated age group.
- There are no other eligible swimmers in the designated age group (other than those entered in the relay) available to swim during the entirety of the meet.
- The eligible swimmer(s) who age up for a relay event are from the next lower age group, and have not aged up for any other relay event during the meet.

Aging up a swimmer in these conditions to swim a relay shall not count as an entry (as defined in Section IV-F) in that event for the aged up swimmer.

Swimmer entries must also comply with the rules for swimmer eligibility in Section IV.

G. Meet Officials and Workers

It is the ultimate responsibility of each Team Representative to ensure that all volunteers for Meet Officials and Meet Workers required from his or her team are scheduled, assigned and present for the meet. All Meet Officials and Workers should meet one-half hour prior to the starting time of the meet. See separate “GCSL All-Star Meet Organization” document for additional details.

H. Scoring

INDIVIDUAL EVENTS (First Place through Fourteenth Place): 17:15:14:12:11:10:9:8:7:6:5:4:3:2

RELAY EVENTS (First Place through Seventh Place): 34:30:28:24:22:20:18

If there is a tie, the tying teams will share the total points for the tied place, plus the points for the next place, equally, and no team will finish in the next place (i.e. a tie for first place in an individual event will result in both tying swimmers finishing first, and each swimmer shall receive $(17 + 15)/2$ points = 16 points for each swimmer, and there will be no second place finisher in the event.

I. Awards

ALL-STAR MEET MEDALS AND RIBBONS: Medals shall be awarded in all individual events to the First Place through Third Place finishers. Ribbons shall be awarded in all individual events to the Fourth Place through Eighth Place finishers. Medals shall be awarded in all relay events to the First Place through Third Place finishers. Ribbons shall be awarded in all relay events to the Fourth Place through Eighth Place finishers.

ALL-STAR MEET CHAMPIONS: An All-Star Meet Champion trophy for each division shall rotate to the All-Star Meet Champion of each division. The All-Star Meet Champion trophy shall be presented to the current season All-Star Meet Champion at the conclusion the Division All-Star Meet, and shall remain with the All-Star Meet Champion until the following season Division All-Star Meet. To this end, previous season All-Star Meet Champions shall bring the rotating trophy to the Division All-Star Meet so it may be presented to the current season All-Star Meet Champion.

A plaque will be awarded to the First Place All-Star Meet finisher in each division. This plaque is a permanent award specific to the current season All-Star Meet results and will stay with the awarded team.

A Sportsmanship Award shall be given in each division. *Sportsmanship shall be defined as treating opponents with fairness, generosity, courtesy, dignity, and so on. Those who can take loss or defeat without complaint, or victory without gloating are demonstrating sportsmanlike qualities.* This award for each division shall be voted on by the Team Representatives in that division, and shall be awarded at the conclusion of their All-Star Meet.

J. Disputes

The Team Representatives should work out any disputes during the All-Star Meet at the time of the dispute. If they are unable to resolve the issue(s), any Team Representative(s) of an affected team(s) may request a special meeting between the President and the affected Team Representative(s) to resolve the dispute during the All-Star Meet. Should any disputes pertaining to the All-Star Meet arise after the completion of the All-Star Meet, any affected Team Representative(s) may request a special meeting of the GCSL Executive Board to resolve "written protests" of the disputed matter. The written protest(s) should be sent to the GCSL President within 48 hours of the conclusion of the All-Star Meet.