

Southern California Invitational “Q” Meet

Saturday – Monday – February 17-19, 2018

Sanctioned By: USA--Swimming & Southern California Swimming

Sponsored By: Canyons Aquatic Club

Warm-up Time: 6:30am

Sanction Number: #S18-037

Entries Due: 5:00 p.m., Wed, Feb 7, 2018

Start of Meet: 8:30 am

Pool: The Santa Clarita Aquatic Center competition pool is an outdoor 25 yard x 50 meter, 20 lane pool. A separate warm--up/warm--down 10--lane, 25--yard course pool will be open during the meet. Competition courses have been certified in accordance with 104.22.2(C) on file of USA Swimming. Pool depth at start and turn end is 7'6". Prelims sessions may be run combined age groups on 2 courses up to 10 lanes – girls on the North Course, odd events, boys on the South Course, even events. Finals sessions will be run on 2 courses 8 lanes – girls on the North Course, odd events, boys on the South Course, even event. If the number of entries do not warrant running two courses, events will be run in sequential order on one course. All events will be swum fast--to--slow. If entries warrant, prelims will be split into 2 sessions 13 & older beginning at 8:30. 12 & under beginning 1 hour after the conclusion of the 13 & older session.

Directions: SANTA CLARITA AQUATIC CENTER, 20850 Centre Pointe Parkway, Santa Clarita, CA 91350. From 14 FWY NORTH: Take GOLDEN VALLEY exit. Left on GOLDEN VALLEY. Right on CENTRE POINTE PARKWAY. Right into second driveway. From 14 FWY SOUTH: Take GOLDEN VALLEY exit. Right on GOLDEN VALLEY. Right on CENTRE POINTE PARKWAY. Right into second driveway.

Meet Start Times: Saturday – Monday preliminary sessions will begin at 8:30 A.M. Finals will begin no sooner than 2 hours after the completion of the preliminary session that day.

Warm--up times: Controlled warm--ups will begin on Sat--Sun-- Mon at 6:30 AM in the competition pool. The competition pool will be closed at 8:15 AM with supervised warm--up/warm--down available in the adjoining area of pool. Warm--up procedures will be posted at the pool. Swimmers must be under the supervision of a USA Swimming member coach during warm ups. Based on entries, warm--up may be split and teams may be assigned to specific warm--up times.

Meet Referee: The Meet Referee shall be in charge of the meet. Any questions regarding the conduct of the meet should be directed to that person. Scot Ranslem: scotranslem@discover.com

Rules: USA Swimming Rules govern; ; Current SCS meet procedures will be in effect and take precedence over any errors or omissions on this form. Swimmers must check--in with the Clerk of Course for each event; ; After each event is closed, a swimmer may not check--in or scratch. The first 2 events (prelims) or 4 events (timed finals) will close one--half hour prior to the start of the session. Swimmers must compete in their own age group. Age on February 17, 2018 determines age for the meet. Prelims and timed finals sessions will be swum fast to slow. A swimmer may enter all events for which the time standard has been met and can be verified. Limit: a swimmer can swim no more than 7 individual events during the meet, nor more than 3 individual events per day. Qualifying times for 7-10 and 15-18b age groups are the National BB Standard. Time standards for 11, 12, 13, and 14 age groups are National BB single age standards. These standards shall supersede any errors on the meet form or in the entry file.

Recording Devices & Media Notice: The use of audio--visual recording devices, including cell phones, is not permitted in locker rooms, changing areas or restrooms. **Recording devices are not permitted behind the starting blocks during the starting sequence throughout the meet.** This meet may be covered by the media, including photographs, video, web casting and other forms of obtaining images of athletes participating in the meet. Entry into the meet is acknowledgment and consent to this fact.

Drones: 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.

Racing Start Certification: Any swimmer entered in the meet 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. 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.

Eligibility: Open to 2018 FINA and USA Swimming registered swimmers. Registration application must be received by **Wednesday, Feb 7 at 5pm** by meet processor, administrative official/referee or SCS Office. Late application will be considered “on deck” subject to penalties in SCS Swim Guide, Part One, III, B.

Swimwear: Swimwear must conform to USA Swimming Rule 102.8. Only swimsuits complying with FINA swimsuit specifications may be worn in any USA Swimming sanctioned or approved competition. **Tech suits are not (or are) permitted at this meet. Tech suits with bonded seams, kinetic tape, or meshed seams are not allowed at this meet; please see the Tech Suit Policy on the SCS website: www.socalswim.org.**

Deck Changes: Deck changes are prohibited.

Change of Affiliation: Before the meet a swimmer may change his/her club affiliation by submitting a Club Transfer Form and the appropriate fee to the Swim Office. At the meet a swimmer may UNATTACH (may not attach or reattach) by notifying the Administrative Official/Referee in writing and paying the appropriate fee.

Distance Events: The 1650/1000/500 yard freestyle and 400 IM events (age groups combined) will be swum fastest to slowest on two courses. If the meet is combined onto one course, the event will be swum fastest to slowest alternating girls and boys heats. All heats of the 1650 and 1000 free will be swum during prelims. Swimmers in the 1000 and 1650 are asked to provide 2 timers for their heat and lane. **THE 1000/1650 yard freestyle events will be swum at the same time in different pool. The 1000 yard freestyle event will be held at NORTH side of pool and the 1650 yard freestyle event will be held at SOUTH side of pool. All age groups combined will be swum fastest to slowest, alternating girls and boys heats.**

Submitted/Qualifying Times: Submit ACTUAL times achieved for each event. If Standard is achieved in SHORT COURSE YARDS, enter event with SHORT COURSE YARD time, indicated on entry by "Y". If Standard is achieved in LONG COURSE METERS, enter event with LONG COURSE METER time, indicated on entry by "L". When entering electronically, "L" or "Y" must be specified and a proof of time report included. If using an individual entry form, time must be clearly marked with either "L" or "Y". Times must have been achieved on or after Sept. 1, 2016 and must be verifiable (meets not in SWIMS are provable only with official results subject to approval by SCS) -- refer to SCS Swim Guide. Discrepancies in submitted times may lead to disciplinary action. NOTE: Proof of time is required through SWIMS, the National Times database, or recognized FINA competitions. Times must be achieved at (a) a USA Swimming sanctioned competition, (b) a USA Swimming observed competition, (c) a USA Swimming approved competition, or (d) a FINA approved competition. Times in the database are not meet entry, only proof of entered time.

Entry Procedure: Team Electronic Entry is highly preferred.

Electronic entry will be accepted ONLY when received with:

1. Entry file (.zip or .sd3)
 2. Proof of time report showing meet and dates for each entry (.pdf or Word)
 3. Full payment (single team check or certified funds) for a team electronic entry must be postmarked within 48 hours of the e--mail entry. Failure to comply will be referred to the SCS Board of Review.
- Individual entry: Submit a completed individual SCS entry form with payment via snail mail. Individuals may not e--mail or text entries.

New Entries: New entries (added events) will be processed when received by the processor by the entry deadline. Deletions will NOT be refunded. New events achieved at meets held between February 10 and February 11 will be accepted. Entries and fees must be submitted to the Administrative Referee of the meet where the times are achieved. Only new events will be accepted (no updates, no previously achieved times).

Fees: Individual surcharge (including relay--only swimmers): \$14.50. Event fee: \$5.50 per event. Relays: \$20.00 per relay. Returned checks will incur a service fee per SCS policy

Scoring/Awards:

- Teams will be awarded 1st through 3rd place based on: Must have 10 swimmers entered to qualify for Team awards. Team points will be awarded based on highest average points per swimmer. All athletes including relay only will be included.
- Medals will be awarded to the top 3 athletes in each age division. 4th through 8th will receive distinctive awards. Medals will be awarded to the top 3 relays in each age division.

Relays: Relays and relay--only swimmers are pre--entered electronically and prepaid. Relays are timed finals events. A&B relays will be entered into the finals sessions unless requested to swim in the prelims sessions (time permitting); ; All other relays will swim in prelims. Once a relay has been checked in and the event closed, failure of the relay to report will result in the disqualification of the club's relay from the next relay event for that age group and gender.

Finals – Saturday, Sunday, Monday: A single championship final (8 swimmers) will be offered for 11, 12, 13, 14; A championship and consolation final (16 swimmers) will be offered for 7-10 and 15-18. **The national finals' scratch rule will be used.** A swimmer must scratch or place an intent on an event within 30 minutes of announcement of preliminary results. Final "no--show" (original top places only) except last day will be removed from the remainder of the meet. A \$50.00 fine will be assessed to the swimmer for a no show in her/his last event of the meet.

Time Trials: Sanction #S18-038

Will be swum, time permitting, on Saturday, Sunday and Monday only, following the preliminary sessions. Three (3) events per day limit applies (Q events + Time trials = 3 events per day or less) Entry fee is \$15.00 per event, no refunds after seeding. Time trials are open to 2018 FINA and USA Swimming registered swimmers who are entered in at least 1 individual event or relay in the meet. Participants must provide their own backup timers. The Administrative Referee/Official will determine the order of events.

Entries must be received by Wednesday, February 7, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

Make checks payable to: Southern California Swimming

Mail entries to: CANY "Q" Meet
c/o Connie Gonzales
2908 Gilbert Avenue
Corona, CA 92881

Email: 8cgonzales@gmail.com

Hand delivered to: Same as mail entries to

FOR INFORMATION: For additional information visit www.canyons.org. Receipt of entry will not be confirmed by phone or by email.

HOTEL INFORMATION: www.canyons.org

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

