

2014 Georgia Open

February 15-16, 2014

- HOST:** Southern Crescent Aquatic Team & Buzz Swimming
- FACILITY:** **Georgia Tech Aquatic Center.** The pool is located on the GA Tech campus on Ferst Drive. This facility seats 1,900 and contains both a competition pool and diving well. The competition pool is 50 meter by 10 lanes, with two movable bulkheads so that courses can be set up for 25 yards or 25 meters. **The competition course has been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4). The copy of such certification is on file with USA Swimming & Georgia Swimming.**
- ELIGIBILITY:** All athletes must be currently registered with USA Swimming or with another FINA Federation.
- This meet is intended to serve as a “last chance” to qualify for the 14 & Under Georgia State Championships. Any Swimmer entered in an event with a time faster than the 14 & Under State time standard for that event will be dropped from that event.**
- FORMAT:** **11 & Over:** It is intended that the meet will be run in 2 pools. **Odd heats** will swim at the diving well end and **Even heats** will swim at the scoreboard end. Finals will have a championship heat for the following age groups (11 year olds, 12 year olds, 13 year olds, 14 year olds & 15 and over) in each event except the 400 IM and the 500 Free.
- The 400 IM and the 500 Free will be a time final event and will swim fast to slow in the morning session.** Positive check in is required for the 400 IM and the 500 Free.
- 10 & Under:** It is intended that the 10 & Under events will compete in 2 pools. **Odd heats** will swim at the diving well end and **Even heats** will swim at the scoreboard end. Positive check in is required for the 10 & Under 500 Free.
- All 10 & Under events will be Timed Final.**
- SEEDING** All events will be pre-seeded with the exception of the 400 IM and the 500 Free which will require a positive check-in. Positive check-in is required for all deck seeded events and will end 30 minutes after the start of the session in which that particular event is scheduled
- Swimmers participating in the 500 free are asked to supply their own counter.**
- SCHEDULE:**
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| Saturday Prelims: | Warm-up @ 8:00 AM; Meet starts @ 9:00 AM |
| Saturday 10 & U's: | Warm up @ 1:30 PM; Meet starts @ 2:30 PM |
| Saturday Finals: | Warm up @ 5:30 PM; Meet starts @ 6:30 PM |
| Sunday Prelims: | Warm Up @ 8:00 AM; Meet starts @ 9:00 AM |
| Sunday 10 & U's: | Warm Up @ 1:30 PM; Meet starts @ 2:30 PM |
| Sunday Finals: | Warm Up @ 5:00 PM; Meet starts @ 6:00 PM |
- ENTRY LIMIT:** 11 & Over session will be limited to 600 swimmers. 11 & Over may swim 3 events per day.
- 10 & Under session will be limited to 300 swimmers. 10 & Unders may swim 4 events per day.
- ENTRY FEES:** \$4.75 per individual event plus \$15 facility per swimmer surcharge, and \$5.00 per swimmer SA surcharge.
- WARM-UP:** Georgia Swimming warm-up procedures and rules will be followed. Lanes and warm-up times may be assigned and will be posted on the web site and at the pool. A coach with 2014 USAS certification must supervise warm-up.

Saturday, February 16

SESSION I

Warm Up @ 8:00 AM; Start @ 9:00 AM

GIRLS	EVENT	BOYS
1	11-12 100 IM	2
3	13 & Over 200 Free	4
5	11-12 200 Free	6
7	13 & Over 100 Breast	8
9	11-12 100 Breast	10
11	13 & Over 200 Fly	12
13	11-12 200 Fly	14
15	11-12 50 Free	16
17	13 & Over 50 Free	18
19	11-12 200 Back	20
21	13 & Over 200 Back	22
23	11-12 50 Fly	24

SESSION II

25	11 & Over 400 IM	26
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SESSION III

Warm Up @ 1:30pm; Start @ 2:30pm

27	10 & Under 100 Free	28
29	10 & Under 200 IM	30
31	10 & Under 50 Fly	32
33	10 & Under 100 Back	34
35	10 & Under 50 Breast	36
37	10 & Under 500 Free	38

SESSION IV

FINALS

Warm ups @ 5:30pm; Start @ 6:30pm

1	11-12 100 IM	2
3	13 Over 200 Free	4
5	11-12 200 Free	6
7	13 & Over 100 Breast	8
9	11-12 100 Breast	10
11	13 & Over 200 Fly	12
13	11-12 200 Fly	14
15	11-12 50 Free	16
17	13 & Over 50 Free	18
19	11-12 200 Back	20
21	13 & Over 200 Back	22
23	11-12 50 Fly	24

Sunday, February 17

SESSION V

Warm Up @ 8:00 AM; Start @ 9:00 AM

GIRLS	EVENT	BOYS
39	11-12 100 Fly	40
41	13 & Over 100 Fly	42
43	11-12 50 Back	44
45	11-12 200 Breast	46
47	13 & Over 200 Breast	48
49	11-12 100 Free	50
51	13 & Over 100 Free	52
53	11-12 100 Back	54
55	13 & Over 100 Back	56
57	11-12 200 IM	58
59	13 & Over 200 IM	60
61	11-12 50 Breast	62

SESSION VI

63	11 & Over 500 Free	64
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SESSION VII

Warm Ups @ 1:30pm; Start @ 2:30pm

65	10 & Under 100 IM	66
67	10 & Under 100 Fly	68
69	10 & Under 50 Free	70
71	10 & Under 100 Breast	72
73	10 & Under 50 Back	74
75	10 & Under 200 Free	76

SESSION VIII

FINALS

Warm Ups @ 5pm; Start @ 6pm

39	11-12 100 Fly	40
41	13 & Over 100 Fly	42
43	11-12 50 Back	44
45	11-12 200 Breast	46
47	13 & Over 200 Breast	48
49	11-12 100 Free	50
51	13 & Over 100 Free	52
53	11-12 100 Back	54
55	13 & Over 100 Back	56
57	11-12 200 IM	58
59	13 & Over 200 IM	60
61	11-12 50 Breast	62

**GEORGIA SWIMMING INC.
SCRATCH RULE**

The Scratch Rule to be used in all Georgia LSC sanctioned meets where the meet format includes preliminary heats, consolation finals and finals, is the "Scratch Rule" as found under "Administrative Conduct of USA Swimming Championships", subsection "Scratch Procedures", subsections "Scratching from finals" and "Exceptions for failure to compete", of the current "USA Swimming Rules and Regulations". An excerpt is provided below. The following Georgia LSC additions listed below apply to all timed final meets as well as all preliminary/finals meets.

Scratching from finals:

- (1) Any swimmer qualifying for a C, B, or A (bonus and consolation final or) final race in an individual event who fails to compete in said final shall be barred from further competition for the remainder of the meet, except as noted in paragraph E. A declared false start under 101.1.3F or deliberate delay of meet under 101.1.5 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 C, B, or A (bonus and 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) Where C and B (bonus and consolation) finals have not been swum and a barring or withdrawal is known to the Referee, the Referee shall reseed the C, B, or A (bonus final, 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 the C or B (bonus and consolation) final has already been contested, the (championship) final shall be swum without reseeding for the empty lane(s).

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 C, B or A (bonus or consolation final or) final race based upon the results of the preliminaries notifies the Referee within thirty (30) minutes after announcement of the qualifiers for that race that they may not intend to compete and further declares their final intentions within thirty (30) minutes following their last individual preliminary event.
- (3) It is determined by the Referee that failure to compete is caused by circumstances beyond the control of the swimmer."

Georgia LSC Additions:

Unless otherwise stated in the final sanctioned Meet Information:

1. Swimmers that qualify for ***any*** final heats as announced in the meet information will also be subject to these rules.
2. In all deck seeded events, a swimmer who has been checked in either personally or by a team coach, has been seeded and then fails to compete in said event, shall be barred from his or her next individual event, except as noted in "Exceptions for failure to compete" above. This rule also applies only to timed-finals meet events where the meet management has placed limits on the number of heats to be contested or the number of individual entries to be accepted for a particular deck-seeded event as specifically stated in the meet information.
3. There is no scratch rule governing relays and there is no penalty regarding relay scratches.
4. Qualifiers for all finals heats are those as identified on the originally posted results of the preliminary heats. Any qualifier who has moved up into this group as a result of the posting of corrected preliminary results after original results have been posted shall not be subject to penalty.
5. The meet official designated to receive initial intentions not to compete and final intentions shall be announced at the beginning of each session. It is suggested that this official be the Clerk of Course.
6. On the final day of "**LSC Championship**" competitions, any swimmer who has checked in for finals and fails to compete will be assessed a \$50 fine. This fine must be paid before the next LSC Championship meet in which the swimmer intends to compete or the swimmer will be barred from competition.
7. A "Positive check-in procedure" shall be used for all deck seeded events. A swimmer's intent to swim a race shall be denoted by the ***swimmer's or swimmer's coach's*** initials entered next to the swimmers' names on the official entry sheet posted at the Clerk of Course. Failure to check in shall be considered to indicate that the swimmer ***will not compete***.
8. In cases where changes to the USAS rules cause conflict with the Georgia LSC additions, USAS rules shall take precedence.