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**2009 U.S. Open
Swimming Championships
August 4-8
Weyerhaeuser King County
Aquatic Center**

Official Event Information

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Sanctioned by USA Swimming through Pacific Northwest Swimming

Important Facts About the Meet



- ◆ This event will serve as partial selection for the 2009 Youth Team World Cup competitions (the "World Cups"), which will be conducted in Stockholm, Sweden November 10-11, 2009 and Berlin, Germany November 14-15, 2009. For complete selection information, please refer to usaswimming.org/nationalteam.
- ◆ **Qualification Period:** June 29, 2008 through the entry deadline.
- ◆ **Entry Deadline:** All entries must be made on-line at usaswimming.org/usopen no later than *Monday, July 27, 2009* by 11:59 p.m. Mountain Time.
- ◆ **E-Mail Entry Deadline:** U.S. athletes achieving the qualifying time standards for the first time from *Monday, July 27, 2009*, through *Sunday, August 2, 2009* may be sent by e-mail. These entries must be received no later than 11:59 p.m. Mountain Time on *Sunday, August 2, 2009*, and cannot be used to improve the seed time of a prior entry. Please use the official "E-Mail Entry Form" found at usaswimming.org/usopen beginning *July 27, 2009*.
- ◆ Foreign swimmers representing a club must meet the published time standards. Swimmers representing foreign federations do not need to meet the published standards, but must however, have written permission from their federation to compete. Foreign athletes cannot enter through the on-line system, but may e-mail entries directly to Susan Woessner at USA Swimming (swoessner@usaswimming.org) no later than *Friday, July 24, 2009*. For questions, contact Susan Woessner at 719-332-0184.
- ◆ Athletes who are 18 and under, who have qualified in one or more individual events, may enter and swim in up to two bonus events, provided they have achieved the published "Bonus Time Standards". There will be no bonus events for athletes over the age of 18.
- ◆ There will be relays in this competition. All relays will be timed finals with all heats swum in the evening session. Relay-only swimmers will be allowed to swim in time trials.
- ◆ As per the Senior Development Committee's ruling in April 2008, all medalists must report to the awards staging area prior to the awards ceremony, and must be in full official team sweatsuits during the ceremony.
- ◆ Team scores will be kept and awarded.
- ◆ There will be a 5K Open Water competition on *Sunday, August 9th*, which will be open to all 2009 U.S. Open and 2009 Speedo Junior National participants. For additional information and entry procedures, please refer to usaswimming.org.
- ◆ Swimmers' and Coaches' Responsibility – It shall be the swimmers' and coaches' responsibility to acquaint themselves with all of the information contained in this meet information book.
- ◆ At the discretion of the Meet Referee, the preliminary sessions may be conducted using "Flyover" starts, "double-ended" starts, or in an A/B format. Details of any changes to normal meet operations protocol will be announced at the general meeting.

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Order of Events



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Order of Events
Long Course Meters

Heats Begin at 9:00

Finals Begin at 6:00

| <u>Women's Events</u> | <u>Day 1– Tuesday, August 4</u> | <u>Men's Events</u> |
|-----------------------|---|---------------------|
| 1 | 200 Butterfly | 2 |
| 3 | 200 Breaststroke | 4 |
| 5 | Women's 800 Freestyle | |
| | Men's 1500 Freestyle | 6 |
| | <u>Day 2 - Wednesday, August 5</u> | |
| 7 | 400 IM | 8 |
| 9 | 100 Freestyle | 10 |
| 11 | 200 Backstroke | 12 |
| 13 | 400 Free Relay | 14 |
| | <u>Day 3 - Thursday, August 6</u> | |
| 15 | 400 Freestyle | 16 |
| 17 | 100 Butterfly | 18 |
| | Men's 800 Free Relay | 19 |
| | <u>Day 4 - Friday, August 7</u> | |
| 20 | 200 Freestyle | 21 |
| 22 | 100 Breaststroke | 23 |
| 24 | 100 Backstroke | 25 |
| 26 | Women's 800 Free Relay | |
| | <u>Day 5 - Saturday, August 8</u> | |
| 27 | Women's 1500 Freestyle | |
| 28 | 200 IM | 29 |
| 30 | 50 Freestyle | 31 |
| | Men's 800 Freestyle | 32 |
| 33 | 400 Medley Relay | 34 |

In the morning session only, heats for events 27 and 32 will be swum after event 31

All relays will be timed finals with all heats swum in the evening session

General Information



Facility Address

Weyerhaeuser King County Aquatic Center
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Meeting Schedule

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|-------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| Monday, August 3 | 5:00 p.m. | General Meeting | Aquatic Center Banquet Hall |
| Tuesday, August 4 | 7:30 a.m. | Officials' Meeting | Aquatic Center |

All subsequent officials' briefings will be held one hour prior to the start of each session

Directions to Pool from Seattle-Tacoma International Airport

Start out going East on S 156th Street toward Air Cargo Rd. Turn Right onto Air Cargo Rd. Turn Left onto S 160th St. Turn Left onto International Blvd / Tukwila International Blvd / Pacific Hwy S / WA-99. Merge onto WA-518 E toward I-405 / Renton / I-5. Merge onto I-5 S toward Tacoma. Take Exit 142B toward WA-161 S / Puyallup. Merge onto S 348th St. S 348th St becomes SW Campus Dr. End at 650 SW Campus Drive, Federal Way, WA 98023-8425, US.

General Information (Continued)



Ticket Orders

All-Session

Adult: \$50
Youth (12 and Under): \$45

Day Pass (Prelims & Finals of Same Day)

Adult: \$15

Single Session Passes

Adult: \$10
Youth (12 and Under): \$5

All tickets are general admission.

For ticket questions or more information, contact:
Deborah Keane, pnsmeedirector@comcast.net

Checks should be made payable to Pacific Northwest Swimming.

Participating athletes and coaches arriving for the Speedo Junior National Championships on Saturday, August 8, will be admitted to the spectator general admission seating areas free of charge for the Saturday sessions of the U.S. Open. These complimentary admissions will be limited to athletes/coaches named on the team's official meet entry.

Coaches' Packet

For coaches who plan to attend this meet without swimmers, there will be a special packet available for \$75.00, that will contain a general admission pass, heat sheets, a psych sheet, and team roster. The packet is available during regular registration hours. Current USA Swimming coach members purchasing this packet may receive a deck pass which includes hospitality.

Transportation

USA Swimming has negotiated rates with United Airlines if ticketed by Polk Majestic Travel Group. Discounts are based on class of service and availability. For more information, you may contact the PMTG Group Air Department at (303) 302-2540 or (800) 218-9481, or contact usaswimming@polkmajestic.com with your request.

Hotels

For complete, up-to-date hotel information please refer to usaswimming.org/usopen

Broadcast Statement

Any photographs, videotape or other audio and/or visual recordings of the event created by a spectator may be used solely for such spectator's personal non-commercial use, and may not be broadcast, published or disseminated, or used for any commercial purposes, without the prior written consent of USA Swimming.

Image Authorization

All participants agree to be filmed and photographed by the official photographer(s) and network(s) of USA Swimming under the conditions authored by USA Swimming, and allow event organizers the right to use names, pictures, likenesses, and biographical information before, during or after the period of participation in USA Swimming competitions to promote such competitions. All participants agree not to use or authorize use of pictures in the uniforms and equipment provided by USA Swimming for the purpose of trade, without the consent of USA Swimming. All participants agree not to use medals or photos, or portraits or films with the medals, which are received for performances in this competition, for the purpose of trade. Furthermore, participants agree to return these uniforms and equipment, bearing USA Swimming logos and marks, if and when requested.

Site information



Publicity

Any swimmer competing in the championship final of an event for the first time at this meet should be sure that his/her biographical information is on file in the Media Room. Biographical forms are available in the Media Room.

Information/Lost & Found

Any items turned into the facility staff will be collected at the lobby receptionist desk.

Lockers

Limited day lockers will be available for use at the Aquatic Center for use by athletes, coaches and officials. The locker room area will be strictly for use by properly credentialed individuals (athletes, coaches, officials). The facility will not be responsible for lost or stolen items. No towel service.

Medical Assistance

First Aid assistance will be provided at the facility.

Parking

Parking is free in the three lots surrounding the venue. An adjacent lot at the Little League fields will be available for overflow parking.

Concessions

Concessions will be available for spectators in the facility lobby.

Hospitality

Coaches and Officials hospitality will be available throughout the meet in the room adjacent to the diving well.

About the Facility

The Weyerhaeuser King County Aquatic Center (WKCAC) is a legacy venue from the 1990 Goodwill Games. Over 200 national and world record swims have been established in this very "fast" pool.

WKCAC contains two natatoriums, one for competition, the other for recreational programs. The competition natatorium seats 2,500 spectators in two elevated balconies. The 50-meter competition tank has eight nine-foot wide lanes and is nine feet deep at both ends, 10.5 feet deep midcourse. This natatorium also houses a separate 25-yard dive tank that is seven lanes wide, 17 feet deep and will serve as a warmup/down pool. The recreation natatorium houses a 25-yard, warm-water, zero-depth pool.

Pool Hours

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|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| Sunday, August 2 | Noon - 9:00 p.m. |
| Monday, August 3 | 6:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. |
| Tuesday, August 4 | 6:00 a.m. - 1 hour after finals |
| Wednesday, August 5 | 6:00 a.m. - 1 hour after finals |
| Thursday, August 6 | 6:00 a.m. - 1 hour after finals |
| Friday, August 7 | 6:00 a.m. - 1 hour after finals |
| Saturday, August 8 | 6:00 a.m. - 1 hour after finals |

Credential Pick-Up

Credentials can be picked up at the Natatorium on the following schedule:

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|--------------------------|---|
| Sunday, August 2 | Noon - 8:00 p.m. |
| Monday, August 3 | 7:30 a.m. - Noon and 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. |
| Tuesday, August 4 | 7:30 a.m. - Noon and 1:00 p.m. - 1 Hr after Finals |
| Wednesday, August 5 | 7:30 a.m. - Noon and 1:00 p.m. - 1 Hr after Finals |
| Thur, Aug 6 - Sat, Aug 8 | See Admin Ref |

Team Banners

Team banners will not be allowed in the Aquatics Center.

Credentials

Restricted access to the facility will be strictly enforced. Please wear your credential at all times. There is a \$50 replacement charge for lost credentials.

Entering the Meet



Entering On-Line at usaswimming.org/ome

**All entry questions should be directed to:
Susan Woessner at USA Swimming (719-332-0184).**

U.S. Teams/Athletes must enter this meet on-line.

On-line entries will be accepted from Tuesday, June 23 until Monday, July 27 (at 11:59 p.m. Mountain Time).

You will be required to pay for the on-line entries with a Visa, Mastercard, American Express or Discover.

OME is not an eligibility report. It is the coach's responsibility to know for which events your athlete is qualified.

You can modify your entry on-line by adding to the original entry. You may not delete an on-line entry.

Once you complete your on-line entry, you will be sent confirmations via e-mail. Please keep all of these and bring them with you to the meet (just in case).

Drug waiver forms will automatically be sent to you via e-mail after you submit your entry on-line. Please have these filled out and bring them with you to the meet.

E-Mail Entries

U.S. athletes achieving the qualifying time standards for the *first* time from Monday, July 27, 2009, through Sunday, August 2, 2009 may be sent by e-mail. These entries must be received no later than 11:59 p.m. Mountain Time on *Sunday, August 2, 2009*, and cannot be used to improve the seed time of a prior entry. Please use the official "E-Mail Entry Form" found at usaswimming.org/usopen beginning July 27, 2009.

Foreign Entries

All foreign participants must be members in good standing of their country's FINA affiliated federation. Foreign entries must be proven with meet results. Foreign athletes cannot enter through the on-line system. Foreign federations and clubs must e-mail entries directly to Susan Woessner at USA Swimming (swoessner@usaswimming.org) no later than Friday, July 24, 2009. For questions, contact Susan Woessner at 719-332-0184.

Late Entries

Any team or athlete missing the entry deadline will be permitted to enter late, subject to the following requirements:

- A. Late entries must be submitted through the On-Line Meet Entry system (OME);
- B. Late entries must be submitted no later than 11:59 p.m. Mountain Time on *Sunday, August 2, 2009*;
- C. The team or athlete must pay a one-time processing fee of \$150.00, *and* pay entry fees of \$20 per individual event and \$50 per relay event.

Qualifying Period

The qualifying period for this event is June 29, 2008 through the entry deadline.

Entry Fees:

\$10.00 per individual event
\$25.00 per relay event

Number of Events

A swimmer may only swim three (3) individual events per day (including time trials). A swimmer may enter any number of individual events in which the qualifying time standard has been met. All entry times must be proven.

Secondary Club Recognition

The on-line entry form contains a space for secondary "club recognition." You may enter a second club for each of your athletes if you wish. The secondary club will be listed in the psych sheet, meet roster and heat sheets, if space is available. Each athlete will have only 16 characters for both his/her club and his/her secondary club. The club does not need to be a USA Swimming member club. It may be any club that your athlete wishes to recognize. Listing this club is for recognition purposes only. Listing this club has nothing to do with representation, team scoring or credentials.

Relay Proof of Time

If you are using a relay entry time achieved as a relay (team time), you must list the four swimmers that actually achieved the time. If your relay is an aggregate, list all of the swimmers and their times. If any of the listed swimmers are not going to compete on a relay, they should not be entered. Enter only those swimmers who may be competing.

- A. Relay teams may be entered at the listed provable time or at the lowest priority non-conforming time standard.
- B. If you are entering an A and B relay, you must use eight (8) different swimmers. You may not use the same swimmer twice in an event, or to prove a time.
- C. Teams may only submit two relays per event.

Waiver and Release Form

The USA Swimming Waiver and Release Form will be automatically generated by the on-line system. These forms must be submitted at the registration desk. Make copies as needed for each swimmer. Having this completed will save time during check-in at the competition site. Additionally, a parent or legal guardian must sign form if a swimmer is under the age of majority in his/her home state.



Rules

USA Swimming Rules and Regulations will govern the conduct of these Championships and will serve as the official guide for technical and procedural rules. It shall be the swimmers' and coaches' responsibility to acquaint themselves with all of the information contained in this meet information book.

Membership Requirement

All persons expecting to receive a deck pass should be prepared to show a current USA Swimming membership card. Non-members may join by completing the appropriate form and paying the required fee at a table adjacent to the registration desk. Coaches must provide proof of CPR, First Aid and Safety Training for Swimming Coaches or USA Swimming approved equivalents, and must have previously submitted to a background check.

No swimmer will be issued credential without a coach member present. If the home club coach is not planning to attend event, swimmer must be assigned a supervising coach (per USA Swimming rule 202.3.2). Arriving with fellow LSC club/coach is preferred. However, if a swimmer arrives without a coach, he/she must find a willing coach at the facility to sign supervision form before a credential can be issued.

SWIMS Database—Proof of Time

Times from the following will be in SWIMS, the national times database. Times in the database are not automatic entries to meets.

- A. USA Swimming Sanctioned competition
- B. USA Swimming Approved competition
 - ◆ Check two weeks before the competition to assure the meet has been approved by the LSC, and prior to the start of the competition, ask the Meet Director for the procedure for getting a time into SWIMS.
- C. USA Swimming Observed swims
 - ◆ Be sure a proper request for an Observed Swim is made according to guidelines appearing in the USA Swimming SWIMS Time Module Policy Manual, and prior to the start of the meet, verify that proper procedures are in place for the Observed swim.
 - ◆ The time of any swimmer recorded while legally representing a USA Swimming club, secondary school, college or university within the appropriate time frame may be used in proving relay entry times and that swimmer does need to be entered in the championship in question or currently representing that club. Relay times belong to the team. Individual times belong to the swimmer.

Entering Official Times

Individual Events - All individual entry times must be made prior to the entry deadline and must be proven prior to the scratch deadline for that event through the SWIMS Database. No swimmer will be permitted to swim without said proof. Program Operations reserves the right to challenge any submitted time. All scratches must be proven.

Relay Events - Entered times must be proven prior to the scratch deadline for each relay team, in aggregate or as a team. For the purpose of proving times, a club may name a swimmer on only one of its relay teams in each event. Once the relay team or teams have been proven, any swimmer listed by that organization on the entry is eligible to compete on that relay team. Relay teams may be entered at the listed provable time or at the lowest priority non-conforming time standard. This choice must be indicated during the entry process. A club may enter no more than two relay teams in each relay event.

Responsibility Clause

The coach, swimmer or swimmer representative who enters a USA Swimming Championship thereby attests that all times stated are true and correct as achieved qualifying times for each event entered. He/she assumes all responsibility for false or incorrect times, or times which are unacceptable under USA Swimming rules, and shall be assessed a \$100 penalty payable to USA Swimming for each such time entered, unless absolved of the fine by the Vice President of Program Operations or designee or Board of Review. Additional action or penalty may be taken or levied as deemed appropriate by the USA Swimming.

Such penalty shall also be levied against any USA Swimming verification officer who knowingly entered such a false time(s) into the SWIMS Database.

Appeal of fines are to be made to the Vice President of Program Operations or designee and/or Board of Review. Any appeal of the decision of the Vice President or Program Operations or designee shall be in accordance with the provisions of Part Four, specifically Article 406.

Automatic Proven Times

Times submitted to the USA Swimming SWIMS database no later than 20 days prior to the Championships will be in the database. If a time for a swimmer is visible in the public search feature on the USA Swimming website (Times/Time Standards) and it was swum in the appropriate qualifying period, it is considered a proven official time. Entry times not proven by the scratch deadline for the event will be considered as false or incorrect times and are subject to action under provisions of the USA Swimming Rules and Regulations.

SWIMS data entry from properly authorized and observed college meets must be requested. These times will not be automatically placed in the database. Times from all major international championships will be automatically entered in the database. Times from any other meets in which National time standards were met must be requested from the SWIMS Time Official in the LSC in which the meet was held. LSC officials may charge a fee for data entry requested after the meet ends.

Note: Relay lead offs and/or intermediate split times must be requested from the SWIMS Time official in the LSC where the time was achieved. Requesting SWIMS data entry won't enter a swimmer into a competition nor place your club on the USA Swimming mailing list.



Registration

Credentials for this event will be provided at no charge for participating athletes and officials who are members of USA Swimming. Credentials for coaches, managers and chaperones to serve as admittance passes to this event shall be issued to those persons listed on the submitted team roster forms and according to the following schedule and is based upon the total size of the team. There shall be a surcharge of \$20 per person for spectator passes, which money shall become the property of the meet host. For clubs that wish to bring one certified massage therapist with their teams, a \$50 surcharge will apply if the massage therapist exceeds the deck pass formula below. These funds shall become the property of the meet host. All massage therapists must be non-athlete members of USA Swimming.

1-3 swimmers in individual events or 1 relay only team with any number of alternates: 1 deck pass; 1 spectator pass.

4-6 swimmers in individual events; 2 deck passes; 1 spectator pass.

7-9 swimmers in individual events; 3 deck passes; 1 spectator pass.

10-20 swimmers in individual events; 4 deck passes; 2 spectator passes.

21-30 swimmers in individual events; 5 deck passes; 2 spectator passes.

31-40 swimmers in individual events; 6 deck passes; 3 spectator passes.

41-50 swimmers in individual events; 7 deck passes, 3 spectator passes.

51 or more swimmers in individual events; 9 deck passes; 5 spectator passes.

Unattached swimmers with a team shall be included in above schedule even if listed on separate entry blank.

Unattached swimmers not with a team: 1 deck pass; 1 spectator pass.

Check-In

Coaches are responsible for all business conducted at the General Meeting. If, for any reason, you cannot attend the meeting, be sure to find out what occurred. You must arrive prior to the scratch deadline for your swimmer's first event to prove times if necessary.

- A. Start with the person that is checking the swimmers' and coaches' membership in USA Swimming. Have your coach membership card with you. To avoid any problems with your swimmers, have their membership cards as well.
- B. After you have been cleared, move on to the individual giving out the Coaches' packets. One of the items you will receive is a psych sheet.
- C. Review the psych sheet posted by the Times desk and make sure your swimmers do not have an asterisk (*) by their time.
- D. In the event of an asterisk, go to the Times desk immediately and clear the time. It is your responsibility to do this. If it is not cleared by the scratch deadline, the swimmer will be scratched from the event. If a time cannot be proved, the coach is subject to a \$100 fine. You should make sure all your athletes' times are in the Swims database.
- E. If you have a distance swimmer (800 meter or 1500 meter), he/she must be checked in prior to the scratch deadline in order to be seeded.
- F. Check your scratches - make certain they are correct and submitted on time. Do not let your swimmer miss his/her best event because you failed to scratch an entry.

- G. Follow all proof of time, scratch and distance event entry procedures by the required deadlines as published.

Warm-Up and Safety

Program Operations will provide a complete schedule of warm-up procedures to include lane usage and times, which must be adhered to by all participants. This information will be distributed with the meet information at registration, posted throughout the venue, announced on a regular basis before and during the meet, and monitored by the Meet Referee (or his/her special designees). Flagrant violation of these procedures may result in a disqualification from the meet for unsportsmanlike activity. Encourage your swimmers to cooperate with marshals. The main competition pool will be reserved the last 60 minutes for swimmers competing in that day's events.

Seeding

For these Championships, the seeding order is:

1. long course meters (LC)
2. short course meters (SCM)
3. short course yards (SCY)

Scratch Procedures

A. Location of Scratch Box

- ◆ The scratch box will be located at the Registration Desk prior to the start of the meet and until the General Meeting.
- ◆ It will be at the General Meeting.
- ◆ After the General Meeting, the scratch box will be located with the Clerk of Course for the remainder of the meet.

B. Scratch Deadlines:

- ◆ The scratch deadline for the first day's events shall be fifteen (15) minutes after the General Meeting is adjourned. The scratch deadline for all subsequent day's events shall be thirty (30) minutes after the time established for the start of the finals sessions.

Ready Room

A Ready Room will be used at these Championships prior to each finals heat. Each swimmer must report to the Ready Room five minutes preceding the event.

Awards Staging

The top eight swimmers in each event must report to the Awards Staging Area approximately five minutes prior to the awards ceremony, and in full team warm-up attire.

Relays and Relay Check-In Procedures

- A. All relays are conducted on a timed final basis swum in evening finals. Teams are limited to two relay entries in each relay event.
- B. Each Team shall pick up relay entry forms from the Clerk of Course. Relay forms listing first and last name of competing relay swimmers and order of swimming shall be returned to the Clerk of Course for tabulation approximately one (1) hour prior to the start of the relays. However, relay order may be changed up to the time of the swim.
- C. The order for relays shall be:

Women's 2nd Fastest Heat
Women's Fastest Heat



- Men's 2nd Fastest Heat
- Men's Fastest Heat
- Women's 3rd Fastest Heat
- Men's 3rd Fastest Heat
- Women's 4th Fastest Heat
- Men's 4th Fastest Heat
- Etc.

Distance Freestyle

- A. Distance Entry - Any swimmer who qualifies for the 800m or 1500m freestyle events may enter at his/her fastest time or at the qualifying time standard, if entered in two or more events on the day of the distance freestyle.
- B. Distance Check-in and Seeding - Entrants in the 800m and 1500m freestyle must check in and confirm their intention to compete before the scratch deadline in order to be seeded. Seeded heat sheets will be published at the end of finals the evening before. The swimmers will be listed in the psych sheet in the order of submitted times, beginning with the fastest.
- C. Order of Distance Events - On Day 1 and Day 5, the 800m and 1500m freestyle events will be swum slowest to fastest, alternating women's and men's heats, with the fastest heat of each race swum during the evening session. All other heats will be scheduled so the second fastest heat of the Men's event finishes approximately one hour prior to the start of the evening session.
- D. Swimmers may qualify for the 800 and 1500 Freestyle events using either the 800 or 1500 qualifying standards (i.e. the conforming or non-conforming distance event standards).

Finals Session Event Order

There will be a bonus, consolation, and championship final in each individual event at this Championship (except the 800m and 1500m freestyle events, which will have a championship final only). The order of the final events shall be C, B and A (bonus, consolation and championship).

Meet Scoring

Scoring will be on a sixteen (16) place basis. Individual events: 20, 17, 16, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11, 9, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1. Relay events receive double these point values.

Results

After each evening's finals at these championships, the results will be available at usaswimming.org/usopen.

Awards

- A. Team Awards - Team awards will be presented to the top three teams in Men's, Women's, and Combined categories.
- B. Individual Awards - Medals will be awarded to all place winners in the "A" final.
- C. Individual High Point Awards - Male and Female High Point Awards will be presented at this event.
- D. ConocoPhillips Performance Award - This award, sponsored by USA Swimming corporate partner, ConocoPhillips, is presented to the swimmer who achieves the single most outstanding performance of the meet.

Time Trials

Time Trials will be conducted for swimmers entered in the meet, provided there is sufficient time between the end of the preliminary session and the start of warm-ups for the final session. These Time Trials shall be held under a separate sanction of the LSC where the meet is held.

- A. Time Trials will be conducted in long course meters each day.
- B. A Time Trial Pre-Registration form is provided for your convenience.
- C. A swimmer is limited to a maximum of two Time Trials during the course of the Championships.
- D. A swimmer must be entered in the meet with a proven time (individual) to participate in the Time Trials.
- E. Except as noted below, long course Time Trials shall be swum in the order listed under the meet program as follows:
 - ◆ First Day: that day's events, followed by the remaining events in the meet.
 - ◆ Second Day and Third Day: that day's events, followed by the remaining events in the meet.
 - ◆ The 800 and 1500 Freestyle will typically be offered on only one day of the meet. The day will be determined by the Meet Referee, depending on the size of the meet, time available, etc; and be announced at the General Meeting.
 - ◆ The 50 Freestyle is the last event swum in Time Trials, except on the day(s) it is contested in the meet, when it is the first event of time trials.

Entry fees for Time Trials are the same as those established for the Trials.

Reimbursement Policy

Athletes participating in these Championships and ranked in the top 100 of the combined previous year and current year (through May 31) world rankings will receive travel expense reimbursement based on the schedule below.

| World Rank | Reimbursement |
|------------|---|
| 1st - 8th | Round-trip Supersaver Airfare plus \$300 total per diem |
| 9th - 16th | Round-trip Supersaver Airfare plus \$200 total per diem |

The balance of the fund will be divided into equal shares and distributed as follows:

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| 17th - 50th | Two shares of remaining funds |
| 51st - 100th | One share of remaining funds |

NOTE: Local athletes that qualify via the rankings are still eligible to apply for ConocoPhillips Grant Money.

Applications for ConocoPhillips Athlete Reimbursement can be found at the reimbursement table near the Clerk of Course.



Testing

The athletes at this competition are subject to drug testing conducted by the United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA) and FINA under the In-Competition Testing program. This section is intended to give an overview of the key points relevant to this program and the testing which will be conducted at the competitions governed by this booklet. For a more detailed explanation of the program please contact Stacy Michael-Miller, USA Swimming Athlete Services Manager at (719) 866-4962.

Medications

Athletes should check the status of all medications (over the counter and prescription) and substances prior to consumption to ensure that they do not contain a prohibited substance. This should be done well in advance of the competition, as certain medications may require reporting in advance.

Check the status of all medications at one of the following locations:

Drug Reference Online: usantidoping.org/dro

Drug Reference Line: 800-233-0393

The athlete is responsible for ensuring that no prohibited substance enters his/her system.

Supplements

In an effort to maintain the integrity of our sport and the safety of our athletes, USA Swimming has taken a proactive role in making athletes and coaches more aware of the risks involved in the use of commercially available dietary supplements that have been linked to enhancing performance. Along with the US Anti-Doping Agency (USADA), USA Swimming considers dietary supplements "take at your own risk," placing full responsibility for any effects and repercussions on the athlete.

It is the role of USA Swimming to educate swimmers, coaches and parents on the issues of dietary supplements, including general and specific risks, normal values and toxicity, drug testing and drug interactions, stacking, and conventional dietary alternatives. It is also the role of USA Swimming to validate or repudiate via research review or sanctioned research the answers to the many questions that surround scientific and anecdotal evidence versus actual application. Any recommendations or opinions offered by USA Swimming regarding the use of dietary supplements are based on a yellow-orange-red light continuum Health & Contamination Risk Chart for Dietary Supplements and the most current publicly available scientific and consumer-specific information.

Claims made by the manufacturers/ distributors of dietary supplements regarding the effectiveness of their products are not strictly regulated by the US Food and Drug Administration. Any commercial dietary supplement may contain substances that may appear on the Prohibited Substance list(s) of FINA and/or the WADA. The potential exists for commercial supplements to contain substances that do not appear on the product's list of ingredients (see Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act for more information). Statistics indicate that in some cases, the use of legal dietary supplements has been linked to positive test results for prohibited substances in athletics.

The choice to use a dietary supplement is the sole responsibility of the athlete and one that should not be made in haste. An athlete is advised to weigh the options heavily, consider the consequences, and take responsibility for his/her actions.

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Doping Control rule for athletes previously eligible for out of competition drug testing:

Athletes who were previously eligible for out of competition (no-advance-notice) doping control and officially retired have a 9 month waiting period before they can compete (should they choose to return to competition) and must again be subject to out-of-competition testing during this reinstatement period. The athlete is not permitted to compete in any USA Swimming sanctioned or FINA sanctioned events. If you have an athlete in this situation, please email smichael@usaswimming.org immediately.

More Information

For information regarding medication status, the reporting of medications and the requirements in place for reporting, please contact the US Anti-Doping Agency (USADA) at 800-233-0393.

For more information about the doping control process please visit the USA Swimming website at usaswimming.org



| 2009 U.S. Open Time Standards | | | | | | |
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| LCM | Women SCM | SCY | Event | SCY | Men SCM | LCM |
| 26.59 | 25.99 | 22.99 | 50 Fr | 20.29 | 22.99 | 23.59 |
| 57.29 | 57.19 | 50.19 | 100 Fr | 44.49 | 50.69 | 51.79 |
| 2:03.69 | 2:04.39 | 1:48.29 | 200 Fr | 1:38.09 | 1:51.69 | 1:53.39 |
| 4:19.49 | 4:21.59 | 4:47.79 | 400 Fr | 4:25.29 | 3:57.29 | 4:01.29 |
| 8:55.19 | 8:56.19 | 9:58.89 | 800 Fr | 9:16.89 | 8:17.99 | 8:23.09 |
| 17:06.69 | 17:10.99 | 16:30.59 | 1500 Fr | 15:30.69 | 15:44.49 | 16:02.49 |
| 1:04.69 | 1:02.69 | 55.79 | 100 Bk | 49.59 | 55.09 | 58.29 |
| 2:19.09 | 2:14.69 | 2:00.09 | 200 Bk | 1:47.89 | 1:59.99 | 2:06.29 |
| 1:12.79 | 1:10.79 | 1:03.19 | 100 Br | 55.89 | 1:03.09 | 1:05.29 |
| 2:37.19 | 2:32.09 | 2:16.69 | 200 Br | 2:01.69 | 2:16.39 | 2:22.09 |
| 1:02.49 | 1:01.49 | 54.99 | 100 FI | 48.59 | 54.69 | 55.69 |
| 2:16.89 | 2:15.39 | 2:00.69 | 200 FI | 1:48.59 | 2:01.39 | 2:04.09 |
| 2:20.69 | 2:19.69 | 2:01.79 | 200 IM | 1:49.69 | 2:03.99 | 2:07.99 |
| 4:56.99 | 4:53.09 | 4:19.79 | 400 IM | 3:58.29 | 4:24.59 | 4:33.09 |
| 3:54.79 | 3:51.89 | 3:28.39 | 400 Fr-Rel | 3:02.19 | 3:26.79 | 3:29.89 |
| 8:25.89 | 8:26.19 | 7:25.49 | 800 Fr-Rel | 6:46.99 | 7:38.39 | 7:44.99 |
| 4:19.39 | 4:15.19 | 3:50.39 | 400 Med-Rel | 3:24.09 | 3:45.49 | 3:52.49 |

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| 2009 U.S. Open Bonus Standards (18-Under only) | | | | | | |
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| LCM | Women SCM | SCY | Event | SCY | Men SCM | LCM |
| 26.99 | 26.29 | 23.39 | 50 Fr | 20.89 | 23.49 | 24.29 |
| 58.59 | 56.99 | 51.09 | 100 Fr | 45.89 | 51.89 | 53.09 |
| 2:06.19 | 2:02.99 | 1:50.09 | 200 Fr | 1:40.69 | 1:53.39 | 1:55.89 |
| 4:24.69 | 4:18.29 | 4:52.99 | 400 Fr | 4:33.69 | 4:00.79 | 4:07.09 |
| 9:03.49 | 8:50.69 | 10:05.99 | 800 Fr | 9:26.09 | 8:19.49 | 8:35.59 |
| 17:20.49 | 16:58.49 | 16:48.49 | 1500 Fr | 15:51.49 | 15:51.49 | 16:15.49 |
| 1:05.69 | 1:04.49 | 56.19 | 100 Bk | 51.39 | 55.99 | 1:00.09 |
| 2:20.99 | 2:18.59 | 2:01.19 | 200 Bk | 1:51.39 | 2:01.99 | 2:09.59 |
| 1:14.29 | 1:12.29 | 1:04.29 | 100 Br | 57.89 | 1:05.09 | 1:07.79 |
| 2:39.99 | 2:34.99 | 2:17.99 | 200 Br | 2:06.29 | 2:18.09 | 2:27.59 |
| 1:03.59 | 1:02.19 | 55.59 | 100 FI | 50.29 | 55.99 | 57.39 |
| 2:19.69 | 2:16.89 | 2:02.49 | 200 FI | 1:51.99 | 2:05.59 | 2:08.39 |
| 2:23.09 | 2:19.89 | 2:03.49 | 200 IM | 1:52.79 | 2:08.19 | 2:11.39 |
| 5:02.09 | 4:55.69 | 4:20.79 | 400 IM | 3:59.89 | 4:32.59 | 4:38.99 |

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