

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

2019 SWIM TEAM GUIDELINES

GENERAL

1. Swim team members are required to participate in a minimum of (2) scheduled meets prior to participating in the City Meet.
2. The age of the swimmer as of July 1 will determine the age group in which they must participate.
3. All members must swim in their own age group.
4. Exhibition swims will count toward the required two (2) meets for that swimmer.
5. Prior to competing in the second scheduled meet, all participants must have paid the fee in full.

DIVISIONS

The Department of Parks and Recreation will sponsor one Division – RECREATIONAL.

Recreational swimmers will be defined as anyone who has not participated in any organized swim team program such as USA, Collegiate, High School, YMCA, or Country Club program since October 1, of the previous year.

OTHER

1. All rosters, entry cards, waivers and score sheets will be considered property of the Department of Parks and Recreation and kept on file in the Main Office.
2. All lifeguards for the 2019 season, regardless of place of employment, will not be allowed to participate on a City Swim Team.
3. All employees of the Department of Parks and Recreation Aquatics Division for the 2018 season will not be allowed to participate on a City Swim Team.
4. Any individual who abuses the policy will be reviewed by the aquatics Division for the 2018 season.
5. The following point system will be used for Dual Meets:

1 st – 6 points	4 th – 3 points	
2 nd – 5 points	5 th – 2 points	RELAY POINTS WILL DOUBLE
3 rd – 4 points	6 th – 1 point	
6. The following points system will be used for the CITY Meet:

1 st – 6 points	5 th – 2 points	
2 nd – 5 points	6 th – 1 point	RELAY POINTS WILL DOUBLE
3 rd – 4 points	7 th – 1 point	
4 th – 3 points	8 th – 1 point	

CITY MEET

1. Entry cards for the City Meet will be due one week before the scheduled date.
2. Changes will not be made after entry cards are submitted.
3. Missed entries or problems will be added pending Aquatics Committee Review.
4. All events are electronically times finals. (Weather permitting)
5. No videotaped finishes will be accepted.

6. The Swim Team Coordinator and/or the Summer Aquatics Supervisor reserve the right to remove patrons from the pool deck.
7. Relays will be limited to two (2) entries per age group. An alternate will be appointed to each relay. The alternate must be an exhibition swimmer.
8. Swimmers must compete in one (1) individual event to qualify for a relay.
9. All other exhibition relays for all age groups will swim on Saturday afternoon.
10. Adults will receive full points.

RECREATIONAL RULES

1. Each team member may swim a maximum of 3 events and 1 relay. Two of the events can be for points.
2. All members must swim their own age group during ALL swim meets.
3. The age of the member by July 1, will determine what age group the person will compete in.
4. A pool may enter one freestyle relay and one medley relay team per age group for points.
5. In dual meets no more than three (3) members from each pool will be entered in any one event. In tri meets no more than two (2) members from each pool will be entered in any one event.
6. Participants must swim in two (2) meets to be in the City Meet.
7. Adults receive full points.

MISCELLANEOUS

1. All Swim Team Booster Clubs are allowed to sell concessions at Swim Meets. All proceeds must go to the participating Booster Club. No for profit organizations will be allowed on site unless approved by the Aquatics Committee. If approved, 20 % of gross sales must be paid to the Department of Parks and Recreation to be split among the Swim Team Booster Clubs.
2. Banners no larger than 2 ft. by 8 ft., or the closest standard size, can be displayed by sponsors.

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Swim Team Coaches Policies

RULES

1. A team must have at least 25 members
2. A team will be allowed one coach for 1 – 25 participants, 2 for 26 – 50 participants, 3 for 51 – 75, etc..
3. A preliminary team roster form must be submitted prior to the first meet and a final roster prior to the second.
4. All team members must have paid the swim team fee on or before the second scheduled meet.
5. New members may be added to the roster pending Aquatics Committee approval prior to their second meet. Also, the fee must be paid in full.
6. Each swimmer must participate in at least two (2) of the three (3) scheduled meets in order to participate in the City Meet.

DUAL MEETS

1. Warm ups will start at 5:00 PM and the meets will start at 5:30 PM.
2. Each team will be responsible for providing 10 workers for each meet. This way not one team is responsible for providing 20 workers. Each team will need to have the workers for all three (3) dual meets.
3. Entry cards and score sheets will be picked up by the Swim Team Coordinator at the end of each meet. Both teams are responsible for clean-up prior to leaving the meet.
4. Score sheets will be available to be copied downtown the following day.
5. No entry cards will be accepted after the completion of the meet.
6. Each coach will follow the rules set for swim meets:
 - a. Order of Events
 - b. Age Group
 - c. Scoring
 1. In the case of a tie, place points will be added and divided by two (2).
7. Rain dates will be scheduled. The meet will be declared official after event # 80, 65 & over freestyle. If the meet is called, it will resume after the last scored event. Additional meets must be approved by the Aquatics Committee.
8. All events are timed finals.
9. No videotaped finishes will be accepted.
10. The Swim Team Coordinator and/or Aquatics Supervisor reserves the right to remove patrons from the pool deck.