

Holiday H₂O Invitational

December 3-5, 2021



Sanction: Ozark Swimming # TBD

Host: St. Peters Rec-Plex Sharks

Location: City of St. Peters Rec-Plex
5200 Mexico Road
St. Peters, MO 63376
(636) 939-2386



Facility: The pool is 50 meters with a movable bulkhead to divide it into two 8-lane, 25-yard pools. All lanes are 9 feet wide & have 6" Competitor non-turbulent lane lines. The minimum depth of the competition pool at the start end is 12' 10" and at the turn end is 11' 7". The competition course has been certified in accordance with USA Swimming rule 104.2.2C(4), and a copy of the certification is on file with USA Swimming. A Colorado System 6 timing system will be used with an 8-line scoreboard. There is permanent seating for 1300 spectators.

Meet Directors: Wendy Goeke (314) 540-5319 or gagoeke@gmail.com
Jim Lillard lillard1123@hotmail.com

Safety Marshal: Ned Dolan (12&Unders) / Denise Stouffer (13&Overs)

Admin. Official: Karen Butz (636) 688-1512 or Sharkmeetentry@yahoo.com

Meet Referee: Steve Grimm (636) 233-7076 or steve.grimm-swim@charter.net
Teams participating in the meet should provide officials. Please contact Steve Grimm if you are able to work.

Directions: From I-70, take the Cave Springs exit (#225) and head south. Turn right (west) onto Mexico Road and travel 1.6 miles. The Rec-Plex is on the left just past Lutheran High School.

Parking: Prime parking is in front of the Rec-Plex. Additional parking is behind the Rec-Plex, on the other side of St. Peters City Hall, and next door at Lutheran High School.

Schedule:

	<u>Friday PM</u>	<u>Saturday/Sunday AM</u>	<u>Saturday/Sunday PM*</u>
Warm-up 1	4:30 – 4:55 pm	7:00 – 7:25 am	12:30 – 12:55 pm
Warm-up 2	4:55 – 5:20 pm	7:25 – 7:50 am	12:55 – 1:25 pm
Session Start	5:30 pm	8:00 am	1:30 pm

* Saturday and Sunday afternoon times are an estimate for planning purposes. Actual times will be posted one week prior to the meet, once the meet has been seeded and the timelines are set.

Eligibility: Open to all currently registered athlete members of USA Swimming. USA Swimming membership applied for will not be accepted. Swimmers entered in the meet who do not hold a current membership will be dropped from the meet, and the entry fees will not be refunded. If a swimmer swims and is not registered, a \$100 fine will be imposed. Swimmer's age on December 3, 2021 determines their age group for the meet.

Events: All events are Timed Finals. A swimmer may enter four individual events per day. Any swimmer who enters more than the maximum number will be scratched down to the limit, starting with the highest event number on the day the over-entry occurs. We reserve the right to pre-seed the meet at our discretion, if timelines permit. We further reserve the right to limit events due to the timeline.

NO DECK ENTRIES WILL BE ALLOWED.

Distance Events: The 1650 Free will be limited to the fastest 16 swimmers of each gender. They will be swum fastest to slowest. Swimmers must provide their own lap counter and one timer.

All Friday evening events will be limited to the fastest 24. Swimmers must provide their own lap counter for the 500 Free.

Check In: There will be a positive check in for all Friday evening events and the 1650 Free. Swimmers who have not checked in 30 minutes prior to the start of the session will not be seeded in those events.

Entry Fees: \$5.00 per individual event
\$14.00 Ozark Swimming Surcharge

Entries: Entries will be accepted starting **November 2, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.** and accepted through **November 3, 2021**, or until the meet is filled. Please note that the meet may be filled **BEFORE THE DEADLINE DATE**. Please submit entries in short course yard times. No time conversions are allowed for any of the limited events. **Proof of time for all limited events must be sent in with entry.** Team Manager proof of time is sufficient. Refunds for those who do not make the cut in these limited events will be issued to the teams who request a refund within one week of the meet end. No other refunds will be given. Only e-mail entries will be accepted. All entries must be in Team Manager format. E-mail entries will receive confirmation that their e-mail was received by automatic response. If you do not receive a confirmation, please contact Karen Butz at (636) 688-1512. Confirmation does not mean that your entry has been accepted. A check for fees and a hard copy of your team entry and team entry fees must be received within 7 business days of your acceptance. The Rec-Plex Sharks swim team has the sole discretion to determine which entries to accept. In exercising this discretion, the Sharks will consider: number of officials provided by the team, balance of age groups and gender in entries, level of competition, and geographic location. *Teams should send with their entry the names of those officials planning to work the meet.*

Entry deadline: November 3, 2021

Entries may be accepted after the deadline if the meet is not full.

Entry fees must accompany each entry.

Make checks payable to: **Rec-Plex Sharks Swim Team**

Mail to: Karen Butz, Meet Entry Chair
c/o Rec-Plex Sharks Swim Team
13 Arrowhead Circle
St. Charles, MO 63301
(636) 688-1512
Sharkmeetentry@yahoo.com

Meet Results: Meet results will be e-mailed to all participating teams.

Awards: Ribbons: 1st – 16th place (plus Heat Winner prizes & “Hot Heats” prizes for 12&U events) (12&U events will be scored as 8&U, 10&U, and 11-12; 13&O events as 13-14 and 15&O)

Meet Safety: In accordance with the recommendations of USA Swimming and Ozark LSC, the Rec-Plex Sharks will operate this meet under the guidance of a meet Safety Marshal. Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, restrooms, or locker rooms.

Rules: This meet is being held under the sanction of USA Swimming, and all technical and administrative rules of USA Swimming shall apply. In granting this approval, it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming shall be free and held harmless from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event.

All swimmers who are not accompanied by a USA Swimming certified coach must report to the meet referee or meet director prior to warming up before each session in which he/she is swimming. The swimmer will be assigned to a coach on deck.

Credentials must be displayed at all times while on the pool deck. All coaches must have a current USA Swimming Coaches Card. Coach assistants will not be permitted on the pool deck without the same credentials required of the coaches (this will be strictly enforced). No parents are permitted on the pool deck unless they are volunteers assigned to work that session.

The only swimsuits permitted are those in compliance with FINA and USA Swimming rules. Changing into or out of swimsuits other than in locker rooms or other designated areas is prohibited.

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.

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.

If a swimmer positively checks in for a limited event and does not swim the event, they will be disqualified from their next event.

Facility Rules:

1. Keep all trash picked up and do not block exit doors or aisles.
2. Swimmers, parents, and spectators are not permitted in any unauthorized areas. **The following areas are off limits:** Gymnasium, Ice Rink, Weight Room, Jacuzzi & Sauna, Leisure Pool, and the rear hallway from the locker rooms to the emergency exit.
3. No outside chairs, food, drinks, or coolers are permitted in the Rec-Plex, per the City of St. Peters. Only items purchased from the concession stand are permitted in the spectator area. No food or drink is permitted on the pool deck. "No Smoking" laws are in effect, and smokers are required to smoke outside of the building.
4. Swimmers may rest in the spectator stands (including the far corner), but not under the pullout stands. A clear path to all emergency exits must be maintained with no obstructions.
5. Cell phones with video and video recording devices are prohibited in all locker rooms and restrooms.

Concessions: There will be no concessions available.

Vendor: There will not be a vendor onsite for the meet.

COVID-19:

We have taken enhanced health and safety measures – for athletes, officials, and personnel. You must follow all posted instructions of the facility. An inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. COVID-19 is an extremely contagious disease that can lead to severe illness and death. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, senior citizens and individuals with underlying medical conditions are especially vulnerable. By attending and participating in this meet you voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19.

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BY ATTENDING OR PARTICIPATING IN THIS COMPETITION, YOU VOLUNTARILY ASSUME ALL RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH EXPOSURE TO COVID-19 AND FOREVER RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS USA SWIMMING AND OZARK SWIMMING AND EACH OF THEIR OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES OR OTHER REPRESENTATIVES FROM ANY LIABILITY OR CLAIMS INCLUDING FOR PERSONAL INJURIES, DEATH, DISEASE OR PROPERTY LOSSES, OR ANY OTHER LOSS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO CLAIMS OF NEGLIGENCE AND GIVE UP ANY CLAIMS YOU MAY HAVE TO SEEK DAMAGES, WHETHER KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, FORESEEN OR UNFORESEEN, IN CONNECTION WITH EXPOSURE, INFECTION, AND/OR SPREAD OF COVID-19 RELATED TO PARTICIPATION IN THIS COMPETITION.

Up to two non-swimmer members per Sharks family will be permitted entry to either work the meet to fulfill their volunteer requirement, or if not needed to watch the meet.

Up to two non-swimmer members per family of visiting teams will be permitted entry to the meet (subject to change, based on COVID guidelines at the time of the meet).

Non-vaccinated people are strongly encouraged to wear masks at all times in the facility.

There will be a team seating chart for swimmers when they are not in the pool.

Ingress/Egress: Please refer to the attached floor plan. Visiting teams will enter and exit at the upper level walkway. There are four entry/exit doors on that level.

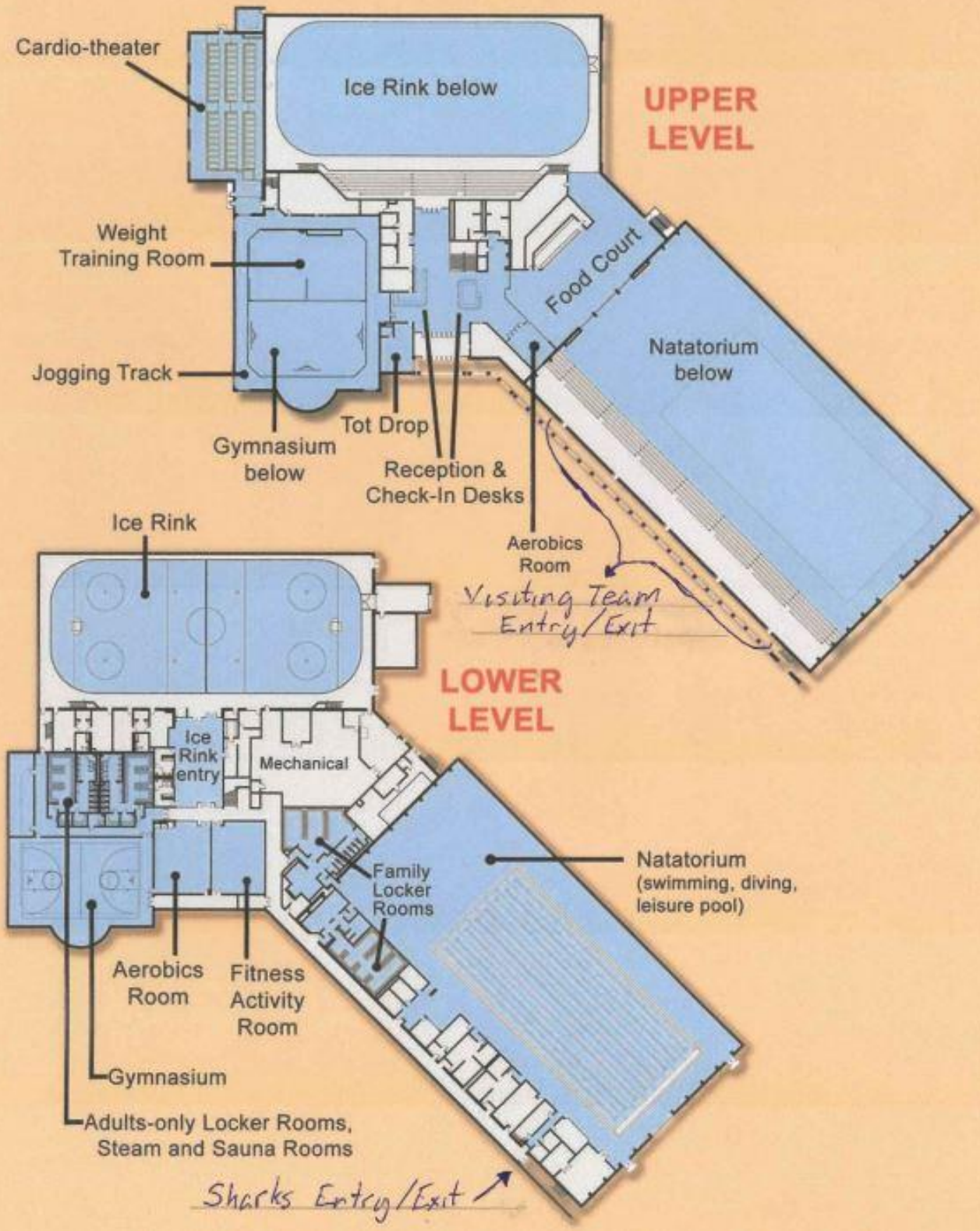
Sharks swimmers will enter and exit at the lower level of the natatorium. There are two entry/exit doors on that level.

All non-vaccinated swimmers are strongly encouraged to wear a mask while in the facility.

Once the meet is over swimmers will need to exit on the bleacher side of the pool and through their respective locker rooms.

Locker rooms are currently not available for changing. They will only be available for bathroom breaks as needed.

St. Peters Rec-Plex



Friday Evening

Girls	Events	Boys
1	11-12 200 IM*	2
3	10&U 200 IM*	4
5	15&O 400 IM*	6
7	13-14 400 IM*	8
9	11-12 200 Free*	10
11	10&U 200 Free*	12
13	15&O 500 Free*	14
15	13-14 500 Free*	16

** These events are limited to the top 24 swimmers*

Saturday Morning

Girls	Events	Boys
17	12&U 100 Fly	18
19	12&U 50 Back	20
21	12&U 100 Breast	22
23	12&U 50 Free	24

Saturday Afternoon

Girls	Events	Boys
25	13&O 200 IM	26
27	13&O 100 Breast	28
29	13&O 50 Free	30
31	13&O 200 Back	32
33	13&O 100 Fly	34
35	Girls 13&O 1650 Free**	

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Sunday Morning

Girls	Events	Boys
37	12&U 50 Breast	38
39	12&U 50 Fly	40
41	12&U 100 Back	42
43	12&U 100 IM	44
45	12&U 100 Free	46

Sunday Afternoon

Girls	Events	Boys
47	13&O 200 Free	48
49	13&O 100 Back	50
51	13&O 200 Fly	52
53	13&O 100 Free	54
55	13&O 200 Breast	56
	Boys 13&O 1650 Free**	36

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