

Protected Weekends Discussion- Proposal

New England Swimming will protect the dates of significant events in the LSC as outlined below:

- No meets will be sanctioned, approved, or observed on the date of any New England Swimming House of Delegates meeting.
- No meets will be sanctioned, approved, or observed on the date of the New England Swimming Awards Banquet.
- On the dates of the New England Swimming Senior Championships and New England Swimming Open Championships, other sanctioned, approved, and observed meets may occur, but these meets may not include swimmers ages 15 & over that qualify for the Championship meet. This restriction includes any time trials associated with the meet. In the event that a qualifier for the Senior/Open Championships age 15 or over competes in a New England Swimming sanctioned, approved, or observed meet held in concurrence with the championship meet, the entering party will be fined \$100 per event in which said swimmer competes, payable to New England Swimming.
- On the dates of any New England Swimming Age Group Championships, sanctioned, approved, and observed meets may only be comprised of swimmers outside of the age group(s) included in the applicable Age Group Championships. This restriction includes any time trials associated with the meet.

The following exceptions apply to the above restrictions:

- Any swimming competition affiliated with the National Congress of State Games may be approved/observed on any date.
- High school Conference, Sectional, and State Championship meets may be observed on any date.
- The YMCA New England SCY Championships may be approved on any date.

This policy will become effective beginning with the 2023-2024 SCY Season. The policy will be re-evaluated by the New England Swimming Board of Directors in advance of the bid deadline for 2024 LCM Season Championships.