



## **Integrity, Inclusion, Education, Excellence**

### **Big Red Challenge**

**Hosted By: MLA**

**June 6-7, 2020**

**Sanction** - This meet is sanctioned by Michigan Swimming, Inc. (MS), as a timed final meet on behalf of USA Swimming (USA-S), Sanction Number MI1920111 and MITT1920111. In granting this sanction it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming shall be free from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event. MS rules, safety, and warm up procedures will govern the meet as is fully set forth in these meet rules.

**Location** - Holland Community Aquatic Center  
550 Maple Ave.  
Holland, MI 49423

**Times** - Saturday and Sunday Morning      Warm-up 8:00am      Meet Start 9:00am  
Saturday and Sunday Afternoon      Warm-up to start immediately following  
the 12 & Under session but not before  
12:00pm. Meet will start 60 minutes after  
warm-up begins but not before 1:00pm.

**Motels** – please visit your favorite Hotel booking website.

**Facilities** - Holland Aquatic Center is an 8 lane 50 meter pool with an attached 6-lane 25 yard pool available for supervised warm-up and warm down. Depth at start is 6'9"<sup>1</sup> and 13' at turn. Permanent starting blocks and non-turbulent lane markers will be used. Colorado timing with an 8 lane display will be used. There is ample balcony seating for spectators. Lockers are available (provide your own lock). Public phones will not be available. The competition course has not been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C (4)

**Eligibility** - The Big Red Challenge is for all swimmers. All swimmers must be currently registered with United States of America Swimming (USA-S). A swimmer's age on June 6, 2020 determine his/her eligibility for a particular age group.

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<sup>1</sup>Depth at Start must meet State of Michigan requirements.

**Deck Registration** - Unregistered swimmers must register on deck at this meet by turning in the athlete registration form and payment to the Meet Referee. The cost of registering on deck is double the normal fee (\$160.00 per swimmer for 2019-20 registration).

**Meet Format** - The MLA Big Red Challenge is a USA meet with 12 & Under events swum during the morning sessions, 13 & Over events swum during the afternoon sessions.

**Entry Limits** - Entries will be accepted on a first come first serve basis by date of email for electronic entries and date of receipt by the Administrative Official for hard copy entries until the Michigan Swimming Four (4) hour per session maximum time limit is met. As set forth in entry procedures below, (A) a hard copy of your club's entry summary sheet, (B) a hard copy of your club's signed release/waiver agreement (C) your club's certification of entered athletes and (D) your club's entry and entry fees must be received by the Entry Chair in a timely fashion prior to the start of the meet, or your swimmers will not be allowed to swim in the meet. Entries received after the four (4) hour per session time limit has been met will be returned even if received before the entry deadline.

**Swimmers Without A Coach** - Any swimmer entered in the meet, unaccompanied by a USA-S member coach, must be certified by a USA-S member coach as being proficient in performing a racing start or must start each race from within the water. It is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement.

**Individual Entry Limits** - Swimmers may enter into no more than 5 individual events and 1 relay per day, including time trials.

**Electronic Entries** - \$5.00 per individual event and \$12.00 per relay. Please include a \$1.00 Michigan Swimming surcharge for each swimmer entered. Make checks payable to: Holland Community Aquatic Center

**Paper Entries** - MS rules regarding non-electronic entries apply. \$6 per individual event and \$13 for relays. There is a \$1.00 additional charge per event paid if the entry is not submitted in Hy-Tek format. The Michigan Swimming \$1.00 general surcharge for each swimmer also applies to paper entries. Paper entries may be submitted to the Administrative Official on a spreadsheet of your choice however the paper entry must be logically formatted and must contain all pertinent information to allow the Administrative Official to easily enter the swimmer(s) in the correct events with correct seed times.

**Entry Procedures** - Entries may be submitted to the Administrative Official as of 7:00am May 10, 2020. The Administrative Official must receive all entries no later than 8:00pm May 28, 2020. Entries must include correct swimmer name (as registered with USA/MS Swimming), age and USA number. You can import the order of events and event numbers from the Michigan Swimming website (<http://www.miswim.org/>). All individual entries should be submitted via electronic mail to the Administrative Official at [bperisao@gmail.com](mailto:bperisao@gmail.com). All entries will be processed in order by email date code or mail date code. Any entries submitted will be considered provisional until such time as the Administrative Official has received a hard copy of: (a) your club's entries (Team Manager Meet Entries Report), (b) a hard copy of your club's signed release/waiver agreement (c) your clubs signed certification of entered athletes and (d) your club's entry fees. This must be received in a timely fashion prior to the start of the meet or your swimmers will not be allowed to swim in the meet. The complete Big Red Challenge Meet entry packet with entry forms is available on the Michigan Swimming Website at <http://www.miswim.org/>

**Refunds** - Once a team or individual entry has been received and processed by the Administrative Official there are no refunds in full or in part unless the "over qualification exception" applies (see MS Rules).

**Entries** - Your club's Entry, Entry Summary Sheet, Release/Waiver, Certification of Entered Athletes and Check should be sent via U.S. mail or nationally recognized overnight courier to:

Paperwork and Payments: Michigan Lakeshore Aquatics

550 Maple Ave.

Holland, MI 49423

616-393-7595 x119

Administrative Official: Betty Peristeridis [bperisao@gmail.com](mailto:bperisao@gmail.com)

(269)760-3996 (COACHES ONLY)

**Check In** - Check in will be required and available 30 minutes prior to the start of warm-up for each session. Mandatory check in will be used and it will be required by the time set forth in this meet announcement. Failure to check in will cause the swimmer to be scratched from all events in that session. Check in will close 15 minutes after the start of warm up for each session. Check in sheets will be posted outside the pool locker room doors.

**Scratch Rules** - Prior to check in close a swimmer may scratch events at the Clerk of Course After check in closes, you must see the Meet Referee to scratch an event.

**Marshaling** - This is a "self-marshaling" meet. Swimmers are responsible for being in the correct heat and lane. Heat sheets will be posted prior to the start of each session.

**Seeding** - All events are timed finals and will be seeded slowest to fastest.

**Deck Entries/Time Trials** - Deck entries and time trials will be offered if time is available under the Michigan Swimming 4 hour rule. Time trial events will include all events listed in the meet packet and also include the 800 free, limited to 2 heats (one male/one female). Deck entries and time trials are \$7.50 per individual event and \$13.00 per relay. Deck entry and time trial swimmers are subject to the Michigan Swimming \$1.00 general surcharge if they are not already entered in the meet. For deck entries, registration status must be proven by providing a current USA Swimming membership card or a current print out of an athlete roster from the Club Portal, the Club Portal is located on the USA Swimming website. The athlete may also enter by showing their membership from USA Swimming's DECK PASS on a smart phone. Name, date of birth and club affiliation should then be provided to meet administrative staff.

**Meet Programs/Admissions** - Admissions: \$5.00 per person per day (children ten (10) and under free with a paying adult). Heat sheets will be available each session at the admissions table for \$3.00 after the meet is seeded. One-day wristbands on the right wrist only (no hand stamps) will be utilized. Cut bands are NOT allowed for re-entry.

NO BAG CHAIRS/FOLDING CHAIRS/CAMP CHAIRS ARE ALLOWED IN THE BALCONY.

**Scoring** - No scoring will be kept.

**Awards** - There are no awards for Open events. 12 & Under swimmers will receive ribbons for 1-8th place for the following age groups: 10 & under and 11-12.

**Results** - Complete Official meet results will be posted on the Michigan Swimming Website at <http://www.miswim.org/>. Unofficial results will also be available on flash drive (HY-TEK Team Manager result file) upon request. Teams must provide their own flash drive.

**Concessions** - Food and beverages will be available in the pool balcony. No food or beverage will be allowed on the deck of the pool, in the locker rooms or in the spectator areas. A hospitality area will be available for coaches and officials.

**Lost and Found** - Articles may be turned in/picked up at the pool office. Articles not picked up by the end of the meet will be retained by the Meet Director or a representative for at least 14 days (any longer period shall be in the sole discretion of the Meet Director).

**Swimming Safety** - Michigan Swimming warm up rules will be followed. To protect all swimmers during warm-ups, swimmers are required to enter the pool feet first at all times except when sprint lanes have been designated. No jumping or diving. The same rules will apply with respect to the warm-down pool and diving well. Penalties for violating these rules will be in the sole discretion of the Meet Referee which may include ejection from the meet.

**Deck Personnel/Locker Rooms/Credentialing** - Only registered and current coaches, athletes, officials and meet personnel are allowed on the deck or in locker rooms. Access to the pool deck may only be granted to any other individual in the event of emergency through approval by the Meet Director or the Meet Referee. The General Chair of MS, Program Operations Vice-Chair of MS, Officials Chairs of MS, and the Michigan Swimming Office staff are authorized deck personnel at all MS meets. Personal assistants/helpers of athletes with a disability shall be permitted when requested by an athlete with a disability or a coach of an athlete with a disability.

Lists of registered coaches, certified officials and meet personnel will be placed outside the hallway to the locker rooms/pool deck. Meet personnel will check the list of approved individuals and issue a credential to be displayed at all times during the meet. This credential will include the host team logo, name as well as the function of the individual being granted access to the pool deck (Coach, Official, Timer, or Meet Personnel). In order to obtain a credential, Coaches and Officials must be current in all certifications through the final date of the meet. Meet personnel must return the credential at the conclusion of working each day and be reissued a credential daily.

All access points to the pool deck and locker rooms will either be secured or staffed by a meet worker checking credentials throughout the duration of the meet.

**Swimmers with Disabilities** - All swimmers are encouraged to participate. If any of your swimmers have special needs or requests please indicate them on the entry form and with the Clerk of Course and/or the Meet Referee during warm ups.

**General Info** - Any errors or omissions in the program will be documented and signed by the Meet Referee and available for review at the Clerk of Course for Coaches review. Information will also be covered at the Coaches' Meeting.

**First Aid** - Supplies will be kept in the pool office.

**Facility Items –**

- (A) No smoking is allowed in the building or on the grounds of the Holland Aquatic Center.
- (B) Pursuant to applicable Michigan law, no glass will be allowed on the deck of the pool or in the locker rooms.

- (C) No bare feet allowed outside of the pool area. Swimmers need to have shoes to go into the hallway to awards or concessions.
- (D) An Emergency Action Plan has been submitted by the Host Club to the Safety Chair and the Program Operations Chair of Michigan Swimming prior to sanction of this meet and is available for review and inspection at the pool office.
- (E) To comply with USA Swimming privacy and security policy, the use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms.
- (F) Deck changing, in whole or in part, into or out of a swimsuit when wearing just one suit in an area other than a permanent or temporary locker room, bathroom, changing room or other space designated for changing purposes is **prohibited**.
- (G) 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.

**Meet Director** – Ian Townsend [itownsend@mlaswim.org](mailto:itownsend@mlaswim.org) (a USA Swimming member)

**Meet Referee** - Jon Smitley [smitleyswim@gmail.com](mailto:smitleyswim@gmail.com)

**Safety Marshal** – Thomas Miller

**Administrative Official** - Betty Peristeridis (269)760-3996 [bperisao@gmail.com](mailto:bperisao@gmail.com)

**Big Red Challenge**  
**Sanction # MI1920111**  
**Saturday Morning**  
**12 & Under Session**

**Warm-up 8:00 AM Check-in Closes 8:15 AM**

**Meet Starts 9:00 AM**

Girls	Age	Description	Age	Boys
1	12 & Under	400 IM	12 & Under	2
3	12 & Under	50 Backstroke	12 & Under	4
5	12 & Under	100 Breaststroke	12 & Under	6
7	12 & Under	200 Butterfly	12 & Under	8
9	12 & Under	100 Freestyle	12 & Under	10
11	12 & Under	50 Breaststroke	12 & Under	12
13	12 & Under	200 Freestyle	12 & Under	14
15	12 & Under	200 Free Relay	12 & Under	16

**Saturday Afternoon**  
**13 & Over Session**

**Warm-up immediately following morning session but not before 12:00 PM.**

**Check-in closes at 12:15 PM or not until 15 minutes after warm-up starts.**

**This time will be announced.**

**Meet starts 60 minutes after warm-up begins but not before 1:00 PM.**

Girls	Age	Description	Age	Boys
17	Open	200 Freestyle	Open	18
19	Open	50 Breaststroke	Open	20
21	Open	100 Backstroke	Open	22
23	Open	200 Breaststroke	Open	24
25	Open	100 Butterfly	Open	26
27	Open	50 Backstroke	Open	28
29	Open	100 Freestyle	Open	30
31	Open	400 IM	Open	32
33	Open	200 Free Relay	Open	34

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**Sunday Morning**  
**12 & Under Session**

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**Meet Starts 9:00 AM**

Girls	Age	Description	Age	Boys
35	12 & Under	400 Freestyle	12 & Under	36
37	12 & Under	100 Backstroke	12 & Under	38
39	12 & Under	200 Breaststroke	12 & Under	40
41	12 & Under	100 Butterfly	12 & Under	42
43	12 & Under	50 Freestyle	12 & Under	44
45	12 & Under	200 Backstroke	12 & Under	46
47	12 & Under	50 Butterfly	12 & Under	48
49	12 & Under	200 IM	12 & Under	50
51	12 & Under	200 Medley Relay	12 & Under	52

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53	Open	50 Freestyle	Open	54
55	Open	200 IM	Open	56
57	Open	200 Backstroke	Open	58
59	Open	50 Butterfly	Open	60
61	Open	100 Breaststroke	Open	62
63	Open	200 Butterfly	Open	64
65	Open	400 Freestyle	Open	66
67	Open	200 Medley Relay	Open	68





**Meet Evaluation Form**

**Sanction Number: MI1920111**

**Name of Meet: 2020 MLA Big Red Challenge**

**Date of Meet: June 6-7, 2020**

**Host of Meet: MLA**

**Place of Meet: Holland Aquatic Center**

Who do you represent (circle)?      Host Club                      Visiting Club                      Unattached

Describe yourself (circle)      Athlete      Coach      Official      Meet Worker      Spectator

**Please rate the overall quality of this meet:**

(Please write any comments or suggestions below or on the reverse side)

	Low		High		
1. Swimming pool (e.g., water quality, ventilation)	1	2	3	4	5
2. Equipment (e.g., timing system, PA system):	1	2	3	4	5
3. Swimmer facilities (e.g., locker rooms, rest areas):	1	2	3	4	5
4. Spectator facilities (e.g., seating, rest rooms):	1	2	3	4	5
5. Meet services (e.g., concessions, admissions, programs):	1	2	3	4	5
6. Officiating	1	2	3	4	5
7. Awards and award presentations:	1	2	3	4	5
8. Safety provisions:	1	2	3	4	5
9. Overall success of the meet:	1	2	3	4	5
10. Other (please specify):	1	2	3	4	5

Return this completed evaluation to a representative of the Meet Host. Thank you.

Meet Host: Copy all of these submitted Meet Evaluations to the current Program Operations Vice-Chair (programopsvicechair@miswim.org) and the Michigan Swimming Office (office@miswim.org) within 30 days.