

**BY-LAWS**  
**Area Three Private Club League**  
**(Revised January 21, 2009)**

**A. Organization:**

1. The annual meeting will be held in the winter of each year. Additional meetings will be called as necessary by the President.
2. The winter meeting, to be held in January or February, will be held for the election of officers, selecting the host clubs for the PCL meets the following season, establishing formats for any league meets, scheduling dual meets, and for consideration of any business presented to the league membership
3. A representative should be present from each club at any meeting of the PCL. Representation by proxy will not be allowed.
4. A quorum will consist of a majority of the clubs present at any schedule meeting.
5. Annual dues of \$125 will be collected at the winter meeting by the PCL host club. The additional \$35 will be used to defray the cost of the yearly League sanction fee.
6. Each member team is expected to participate in the league's two events, the PCL Relay Meet and the PCL Championship Meet.
7. All swimmers must be registered with USA/Florida Swimming and abide by the rules of USA/Florida Swimming, and their parents or family sponsors must be members in good standing of the clubs they represent to compete in league events.

**B. Membership:**

1. New members to the league may be proposed and approved at any regular meeting.
2. New members will be accepted only after receiving the approval of the majority of the members.
3. New members may be accepted on a probationary status and subject to a final vote at the next regular meeting after the completion of participation in one season.

**C. Championship Meet:**

1. The PCL Championship Meet will be a prelims/final format and shall be held no later than the 23<sup>rd</sup> of June unless otherwise agreed upon by the League at the winter meeting of the League.
2. A sanction for the PCL Championships will be secured by the Host Club.
3. Each swimmer may enter up to three individual and two relay events.
4. No entries will be accepted after the final date for filing entries. Entry fees must be paid in full for all entries as originally submitted. The date for entries will be 10 days before the meet.
5. Only one relay entry per relay event per team will be allowed.

6. a) Relays in the 10U age group will be 200 yards.  
b) The 11-12 age groups shall swim a 100 yard Individual Medley
7. Senior relays will be eligible swimmers, age 11 - 18.
8. In the Championship Meet there will be an 8U age group. This age group will swim the four stroke events and 100 yard Individual Medley.
9. Entry fees shall be those established in Article 25 Event Surcharge Schedule, item 225.2 of the Florida Swimming, Inc. handbook. A facility charge may be passed on to each participant when applicable. No team surcharges will levied by a host team.
10. In the Championship Meet a 6U Championship will be held as timed finals. The events will be the Freestyle and Backstroke plus a 100 yard Freestyle Relay and will be team scored. The event will be swum **following the Prelims on Sunday**. Individual awards will be awarded at a time convenient and at the discretion of the host club meet manager.
11. Awards for the meet will be PCL Championship plaques for the first three teams, trophies for the first, second, and third place individual high-point winners for each gender and age group, medals for the first three placing individuals for each event and relays, rosettes for the fourth through eighth placing individuals and relays, and ribbons for the ninth through sixteenth placing individuals and relays.
12. No unattached swimmers shall participate in the PCL Championship Meet.

#### **D. Relay Meet:**

1. The PCL Relay Meet will be held at least two weeks before the Championship Meet, unless otherwise agreed upon by the league at the winter meeting of the league.
2. No unattached swimmers will participate.
3. Each swimmer may enter up to six events, and, if the swimmer does enter six events, at least one must be the "Crescendo Relay."
4. Only one relay entry per relay event per team will be allowed.
5. Relays in the 10U age group will be 200 yards. 8U will be 100 yards.
6. In the Relay Meet, team points will be kept and PCL Relay Plaques will be awarded to the first three teams. The top six relays will receive rosette ribbons for places one through three and ribbons for places four through six for each individual on those relays.
7. Senior relays will be eligible swimmers, ages 11 - 18.
8. Fees shall be \$5 for each relay plus a facility charge where needed.
9. A sanction for the Relay Meet will be secured by the host team.

### **E. Dual, Tri and Quad Meets:**

1. The order of events and distances for these meets will be decided upon by the coaches from the teams involved.
2. Each host team will buy their own ribbons and award places first through sixth (places first through eighth if eight lanes are used) for age groups twelve and down. Ribbons should include the name of the host club. There will be no entry fees collected for the dual meets.
3. These meets shall not be scored, however times in each event will be recorded for each swimmer and provided to the participating teams and to the league President or other designee for record keeping.

### **F. Miscellaneous:**

1. Any change to the published format or a weather delay of the Championship or Relay Meets requires a meeting with a majority of the coaches and the Meet Referee to determine a recommendation for the Meet Referee. Once a recommendation has been agreed upon, the coaches shall communicate the Referee's decision to all participating teams.
2. The rotational schedule for hosting the Championship Meet and Relay Meet is below. Each team is required to host the PCL Relay Meet and the PCL Championships for a period of two years each. Failure to meet this requirement will subject the team to dismissal from the League. New member teams will enter the rotation at the bottom of the list.

Effective January 19, 2011 Emerald Greens will be the host of the relay meet.

**ROTATION as of January 23, 2013**  
for PCL Championships

PCL	Years
1. Lakeland Yacht	2013-2014
2. Palma Ceia	2015-2016
3. St Petersburg	2017-2018
4. Carlouel	2019-2020
5. Belleair	2021-2022
6. CVST	2023-2024
7. Bardmoor	2025-2026
8. Countryside	2027-2028
9. Tampa Yacht	2029-2030
10. Lakeland Yacht	2031-2032