# MEET INVITATION TEMPLATE

YEAR SD Name of the meet

Hosted by Name of Host Club

Date(s) of Meet

Sanction # SD #####

**Sanction**: This meet is held under the sanction of South Dakota Swimming Inc and USA Swimming Inc.

**Rules**: The current USA Swimming and SD Swimming rules will govern the conduct of the meet.

**Liability**: In granting this sanction it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming, South Dakota Swimming, the City of Name of City and Name of Host Team shall be free of any liability or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event

**Location**: Name and address of pool.

**Course**: State - pool length; # of lanes; wave-calming dividers; type of timing system with manual backup. The competition course has / has not been certified in accordance with USAS Rule104.2.2C (4).

**Audio/** Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted

**Visual Recording:** in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms (202.4.9 H).

**Deck Changing:** Deck Changes are prohibited (202.4.9 I).

**Water** **Depth**: Starting end depth \_\_\_\_\_; midpoint depth \_\_\_\_\_; turn end depth \_\_\_\_\_. Turn end water depth meets / does not meet USAS minimum requirement for racing starts per Rule 103.2.3.

**Format**: This will be a Split / Combined meet. Events will be swum as Timed finals, / Pre-lim Finals.

**Starting** **Times***:* Warm-ups starting times & # of sessions. Meet start times.

**Meetings**: When/ where

**Warm-ups**: Warm-ups will be conducted in accordance with the guidelines established by USA Swimming and South Dakota Swimming. South Dakota Swimming Warm-up Procedures attached will be followed. *(Attach SD Warm up Procedures)*

**Swimwear** Swim wear worn at SD meets must conform to SD Policy Rules and USA

**Restrictions**: Swimming Rules & Regulations (Art. 102.8.1 and subsequent revisions thereof), its interpretation and provision for exemptions based on a swimmer’s religious beliefs or medical condition.

**Supervision**: A USA Swimming member coach must supervise swimmers during warm-ups, competition and warm-down. **Any swimmer entered in the meet, unaccompanied by a USA Swimming member coach, 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 (202.5.2).** Only registered coaches, swimmers and officials will be allowed on the pool deck.

**Eligibility**: All swimmers, coaches, clubs and officials must be currently registered with USA Swimming. No coach or official will be permitted to be on deck without proof of current USA Swimming Certification using USA Swimming Deck Pass or printed USA Swimming card and a photo identification.

The age of the swimmer on the first day of the meet determines the age of the swimmer for the entire meet. No Swimmer will be permitted to compete unless the swimmer is a member as provided in Article 302 (202.4.9 E).

**Deck Registration**: On Deck USA Swimming registration will be permitted with appropriate documentation. Swimmers must show verification of their membership to the Meet Referee or be deck registered. A $10.00 deck registration fee will be charged in addition to the current registration fee. Fines may be imposed if a swimmer participates and is not registered.

**Deck Entries:** Deck entries will / will not be allowed if space is available and at the discretion of the Meet Referee.

**Scoring**: Must describe how it will be scored.

**Event Limit**: Swimmers may swim a maximum of \_\_\_\_ individual events for the meet, but no more than 5 per day. Swimmers may swim \_\_\_\_ relay events for the meet, but no more than \_\_\_\_ per day.

**Meet Length:** USA Swimming Rules require that events at a meet should be planned to run no longer than 8 hours (102.1) or 4 hours for swimmers 12 years and younger. Entries will be input in the order they are received. When the computer generated timeline indicates time limit has been reached, entries from the team(s) received last will not be entered into the meet. Team coaches will be notified if their entries were not accepted, and fees will be refunded. Fees will also be refunded for events or swims not completed if the Meet Referee stops the meet to comply with time limit Rules.

**Seeding**: Must describe

**Time Trials:** Must state if you are having them or not. If having time trials, include the following:

Time trials will be held at the conclusion of each session at the discretion of the Meet Referee. The following limitations shall apply:

1. The swimmer must be entered in the meet.

2. Time trials will not change awards or scores.

3. The swimmer may only swim a total of 5 individual events per day.

4. There will/ will not be an additional cost for time trials.

5. Coaches are responsible to turn in time trial requests to the Meet Director as soon as possible.

6. Time trials should be limited to those swimmers who have a reasonable chance to make their goal time.

**Awards**: Must state the nature of the awards. REMINDER – to fill out the “Statement of Awards” and send to sanctions coordinator along with sanctions application.

**Entries**: Teams are encouraged to submit their entries by e-mail using Hy-Tek Team Manager software. E-mail entries to: Name, e-mail address. Mail a printed copy of the entries and a check for entry fees payable to Name of Host Club. Mail to: Mailing Address, City, State, Zip Code

**Fees**: SD Head Tax: $3.00 per swimmer

Individual Events: $\_\_\_\_\_

Relay Events: $\_\_\_\_\_

Other Fees: $\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Deadline**: All entries and entry fees must be received no later than date.

**Protests**: Protests of any kind must be submitted to the referee in writing and will only be from the team coach. Bothering other volunteer personnel with protests could result in disqualification of the swimmer from the event or meet.

**Concessions**: A concession stand will be open during the entire meet.

**Officials**: Meet Director: Name; Phone #

Referee: Name

Administrative Official: Name, Phone #

Starter: Name

Head Stroke & Turn: Name

Marshall Name

Head Timer Name

Meet Director, Referee & Starters must be registered USA Swimming members for the current year. Meet Officials will meet the requirements of 202.5.4. In order for approval of a sanction, according to 2.3(1)(a) of the SD-LSC Policies and Procedures, the Meet Director, Referee, Starter, Marshal, and Head Stroke and Turn Judge must be listed above.

**Misc:** State anything else here pertinent to the meet. Examples: Parking, facility rules, etc.

**Order of Events:** Attach on to next page.

Attach SD Warm-Up Procedures

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