

**Nampa Swim Team
Reindeer Games
December 7-8, 2019**

- SPONSOR:** Nampa Swim Team, Inc.
- SANCTION:** All events held under sanction of USA Swimming and Snake River Swimming, Inc., Sanction [# 19-26]. In granting this sanction, it is understood and agreed 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. (202.2.7)
- LOCATION:** Nampa Recreational Center
131 Constitution Way
Nampa, Idaho 83686
(208) 465-2288
- FACILITIES:** 8 lane, 25 yard indoor pool. The minimum water depth, measured in accordance with Article 103.2.3 is 5.9' at the start end and 4.7' at the turn end. Equipped with eight starting blocks, backstroke flags, anti-wave lane lines, and electronic timing by Colorado Timing Systems. The competition pool has not been certified in accordance with USA Swimming Rule 104.2.2C(4).
- REFEREE:** Chad Schaffer – email: chad@tokcommerical.com
Protests will be handled in the manner described in Section 102.11 of *USA Swimming Rules and Regulations*.
- DIRECTOR:** Amber Bernard – email: nst.meetdirector@yahoo.com
- OFFICIALS:** We expect and appreciate the help of certified USA Swimming Officials from each participating team.
- ELIGIBILITY:** Swimmers must hold current 2019 USA registration cards. Age of swimmer on the first day of the meet December 7, 2019 determines the swimmer's age for the meet.
- If a swimmer who is not properly registered with USA Swimming competes in a sanctioned competition, the host LSC may impose a fine up to \$100 per event against the individuals, member coach, or member club submitting the entry. After verification of meet entries, if any athlete is found to be not currently registered, the host club must submit a post-meet backup to the Snake River Registration Chairman. If the athlete competed in the meet and his/her registration was postmarked after the entry deadline, the athlete/club will be fined \$100 by the Registration Chairman. Additionally, if an athlete competes in a meet as an unregistered swimmer, he/she will be disqualified from all event swum in the meet and will not be allowed to enter any other competitions until the fine is paid the registration completed.
- MEETINGS:** **COACHES:** There will be a mandatory coaches meeting 15 minutes prior to the start of warm-ups each day of the meet.
- OFFICIALS:** There will be an officials meeting 45 minutes prior to the start of each day of the meet.

MEET FORMAT: This meet will be swum as timed finals. Swimmers will swim in pre-seeded heats as designated in the heat sheets posted at the meet, with exception of the 500 free, which will be deck seeded. All events will be swum as timed finals. Heats will be ordered slowest to fastest with the exception of the 500 and 1650 free, which will be swum fastest to slowest.

SCHEDULE:

Warm-Up Date	Who	Time	Meet Starts
Saturday & Sunday Morning	12 & U	8:00am-8:30am	9:10am
	13 & O	8:30am-9:00am	
Saturday Afternoon	12 & U	2:30pm – 3:00pm	3:40pm
	13 & O	3:00pm – 3:30pm	

CONDUCT: Current USA Swimming rules will govern this meet.

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. It is the responsibility of the swimmer or swimmer’s legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement.

Snake River Swimming warm-up and safety procedures will apply. This will be posted and is included with this invitation. No diving or backstroke starts will be allowed from the blocks or pool deck during warm-ups. Racing starts will be allowed in designated sprints lanes the last 15 minutes of warm-ups. Meet marshals will be on deck during warm-ups.

Under USA Swimming Rule 102.8 for Deck Changing – Changing into or out of swimsuits outside designated locker room areas by swimmer at any level of competition is prohibited at USA Swimming sanctioned meets. Prohibited areas include, but are not limited to, team and spectator seating sections, as well as warm-up and competition pool decks.

Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms.

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.

Current USA Swimming Rules, including the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy (“MAAPP”), will govern this meet.

ENTRIES: Saturday & Sunday – All swimmers may enter three individual events and the Reindeer Relay.

A Team Manager Event import file will be available to download on the home page of the Nampa Swim Team: www.nstsharks.com

NO TIMES ARE ACCEPTED, with the following exception:

- All swimmers **MUST** have an entry for the 500 & 1650 free and 400 IM (coaches may submit an estimated time, only if no time exists).

- Coaches may estimate entry times only when no time exists, for seeding purposes in any event, and are encouraged to do so for any event 200 yards or longer. Please estimate conservatively.
- Please indicate which events have estimated times, in an email with your entry file.

Enter in short course yard times only. Entries may be submitted as an attached file via email Amber Bernard at nst.meetdirector@yahoo.com by those teams using the Hy-Tek CommLink. Entry file must include converted times. Include a hard copy of entries if submitted via disk or email.

Entries must include the following information: swimmer's name, age, team, team code, USA Swimming registration number, event name and number, and best time in short course yards.

MEET FORMAT: The 500 and 1650 free will be deck seeded. All 500 and 1650 free swimmers must check in with the Clerk of Course by 8:30am December 8th. All 500 and 1650 free swimmers must provide 2 timers and lap counters.

This is a no card meet except for relays and the 500 and 1650 free. All other swimmers will be on deck at designated heat and lane for their events. Cards for distance events will be picked up at the Clerk of Course.

Relay cards will be given to coaches in their meet packets. All relay cards must have the first and last names and ages of the swimmers, in order, written on the label or on the back of the card. ***Reindeer Relay must include 4 swimmers with age of all swimmers added together not to exceed 50.**

Heats may be combined at the discretion of the meet referee.

Please report scratches to Clerk of Course prior to start of meet each day.

Deck registration will not be provided. Anyone entered in the meet, whom is not properly registered with USA Swimming, is subject to a \$50 fine.

Following the meet, the Team Manager Import File, Meet Manager Backup file, and html results will be posted on the team website: www.nstsharks.com, and on the LSC website: www.snakeriverswimming.org.

As prescribed in Article 205.3.1 F of the USA Swimming Rules and Regulations, entries will be limited to those swims that allow the events for swimmers 12 years and younger to be completed within the prescribed time limit of 4 hours.

TIME TRIALS: Time trials will not be offered.

ENTRY FEES: \$32.00 per individual (\$1.75 timing system, \$9.00 SRS funds, \$5.75 pool rent/lifeguards, \$15.50 awards, admin, hospitality).

ENTRY DEADLINE: Make checks payable to Nampa Swim Team. All fees must accompany entries. **One check per team please. Entries must be received by Monday, November 25th.** Late entries will not be accepted.

Mail entries to: Amber Bernard
c/o NST
PO Box 753

SCORING:

Events will be swum 8 & under (25's only), 12 & under, and 13 & over but will be scored separately as 6 & under, 7-8, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, 15-18. The scoring will be: 30-25-23-22-21-20-19-18-17-16-15-14-13-12-11-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1 by individual event. Scoring may be adjusted upward depending on the number of entries.

Relays will not receive points.

AWARDS:

Every swimmer will receive a Reindeer Game Swim Cap.

MISC:

Each team will be expected to provide timers during the entire course of the meet each day. Assigned lanes will appear in the heat sheet.

Concessions and heat sheets will be available at the pool.

A hospitality room will be provided for coaches and officials.