

**FAST vs CLE**  
**Hosted by**  
**FAST and CLE**  
**Monday July 12 2021**  
**Held under USA Swimming Sanction # LE**

In granting this sanction, FAST agreed to comply and to enforce all health and safety mandates and guidelines of USA Swimming, LE, the State of Ohio and Summit a County (local jurisdiction).

**RISK OF EXPOSURE TO COVID 19:** An inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. COVID-19 is an extremely contagious disease that can lead to severe illness and death. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, senior citizens and individuals with underlying medical conditions are especially vulnerable.

USA Swimming, Inc., cannot prevent you (or your child(ren)) from becoming exposed to, contracting, or spreading COVID-19 while participating in USA Swimming sanctioned events. It is not possible to prevent against the presence of the disease. Therefore, if you choose to participate in a USA Swimming sanctioned event, you may be exposing yourself to and/or increasing your risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19.

BY ATTENDING OR PARTICIPATING IN THIS COMPETITION, YOU VOLUNTARILY ASSUME ALL RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH EXPOSURE TO COVID-19 AND FOREVER RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS USA SWIMMING AND [THE LSC] AND EACH OF THEIR OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES OR OTHER REPRESENTATIVES FROM ANY LIABILITY OR CLAIMS INCLUDING FOR PERSONAL INJURIES, DEATH, DISEASE OR PROPERTY LOSSES, OR ANY OTHER LOSS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO CLAIMS OF NEGLIGENCE AND GIVE UP ANY CLAIMS YOU MAY HAVE TO SEEK DAMAGES, WHETHER KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, FORESEEN OR UNFORESEEN, IN CONNECTION WITH EXPOSURE, INFECTION, AND/OR SPREAD OF COVID-19 RELATED TO PARTICIPATION IN THIS COMPETITION.

**LOCATION:** Firestone Community Learning Center Natatorium.470 Castle Blvd, Akron Oh 44313

**ENTRANCE:**

Swimmers will enter the facility at door 13 next to the football practice field and exit though door 14 by the parking lot. Following entering swimmers will be guided to their assigned seating area in the bleacher area.

**SPECTATORS:**

Each swimmer is allowed to bring 1 spectator. Masks are required within the facility COVID Marshals shall monitor social distancing within the spectator area. No food is allowed in the facility.

**POOL:** 25 yards by 6 lanes, (Mercury state of the art scoreboard, ample locker room space, balcony seating for spectators, and adjacent gymnasium.) The competition course has not been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4).

**COVID PROTOCOLS:**

- Masks shall be worn and social distancing shall be implemented at all times except for when the swimmer is up on the blocks and in the water.
- A locker room that will be available for use by the swimmers for restroom use only. A monitor (not allowed inside) will be posted outside the locker room and will limit the number of swimmers inside to 10 athletes per the Ohio Department of Health.
- Swimmers should arrive/depart in their suit. They will not be allowed to share caps, goggles, no food is allowed in the facility and drinks are permissible but cannot be shared.

- Only two (2) swimmers shall be permitted to wait behind the blocks at any given time. Swimmers may communicate with their coaches by following the posted arrows which will be in a counter clockwise direction on deck
- Swimmers, volunteers, guardians and officials shall enter the building through door 13 entrance and through the main pool entrance. The spectator area is upstairs.
- **ALL SWIMMERS, VOLUNTEERS, COACHES, OFFICIALS, AND SPECTATORS ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR MASKS AT ALL TIMES EXCEPT WHEN SWIMMERS ARE SWIMMING**

**RACING STARTS:** Any swimmer entered in the meet 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.

**START TIMES: Warm ups will be held from 5:00-6:00 pm with the competition starting at 6:05 PM.** Warm ups shall be split if the average number of swimmers per lane is scheduled to exceed fifteen (15) swimmers per lane. The finalized warm up plan may be found on the FAST website ([www.firestoneakronswimteam.com](http://www.firestoneakronswimteam.com)) by Thursday July 8 2021.

**ENTRY DEADLINE:** Entries, electronic or otherwise, must be received by July 7

**RETURN TO PLAY LAW:** Under the Ohio Return to Play Law governing concussions, all coaches and officials (in state or out of state) are required to have proof of training in concussion signs and symptoms. This training is available for free and can be found at <https://www.odh.ohio.gov/en/health/vipp/child/returntoplay/Return-to-Play--Ohio-Youth-Concussion-Law>. All coaches and officials are encouraged to take this training. It is your responsibility to take care of this requirement.

**ENTRY FEES:** No entry fees will be charged for this meet.

**ENTRY LIMITATIONS:** Swimmers may enter up to 3 events/day. There will not be relays.

**DECK ENTRIES:** Deck entries will not be taken.

**ELIGIBILITY:** This is a closed competition. Only members of the CLE and Firestone Akron Swim Team (FAST) may enter events. Swimmers must be current athlete members of USA Swimming and have met the time standard requirements. Coaches must be current coach members of USA Swimming and must check in on each day of the meet. All coaches must display the deck pass (wristband) issued by the meet host. On deck USA Swimming athlete registration will not be available. Age is as of the first day of the meet, July 12 2021.

**All applicable adults participating in or associated with this meet, acknowledge that they are subject to the provisions of the USA Swimming Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy ("MAAPP"), and that they understand that compliance with the MAAPP policy is a condition of participation in the conduct of this competition.**

**QUALIFYING TIMES:** There are no time standards for this meet.

**SWIMMERS WITH A DISABILITY:** Entries for swimmers with a disability should be handled in the following manner: (1) enter the swimmer in the Hy-Tek database (or on the regular entry form); (2) list in the email accompanying the Hy-Tek entry file (or on a separate sheet of paper) the name of the swimmer, the stroke(s)/distance(s) s/he wishes to swim, the entry times, the day/session s/he wishes to swim the event(s), and the manner in which s/he prefers to be seeded (with a longer distance or with a different age group); and (3) provide any information about special accommodations needed by the swimmer. The final determination of seeding will be made by the Meet Referee after consultation with the swimmer and his/her coach.

**CONDUCT: Events will be swum as mixed events with girls and boys seeded together.** The meet will be conducted according to the rules set forth in the current USA Swimming Rules and Regulations and the Lake Erie Swimming Policy & Procedures. Events will be contested in a 25-yard course. All events are timed finals. Events may be combined. This meet will not be scored. All 25-yard events will start in the water at the turn end of the pool where there are no starting blocks.

**SEEDING & CHECK IN:** Events will be seeded on deck. Swimmers must check in for those events by the deadline listed in the warm-up plan that will be posted on the FAST website on July 2021. The Lake Erie scratch rule will be in effect.

**CLERK OF COURSE:** A Clerk of Course will not be provided.

**SCORING:** This meet will not be scored.

**AWARDS:** Heat winners will receive a prize of candy.

**DRONES:** 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.

**ADMISSION COST:** Each spectator must bring a winter clothing item admission. Heat/psyche sheets will be available. If you have a swimmer in the meet, you will be asked to volunteer in some capacity (timing, safety marshal, etc.).

**PARKING:** Free parking in the parking lots around the Firestone Community Learning Center

**RESULTS:** Will be posted on the FAST website.

**TIME TRIALS:** Time trials will not be offered.

**SAFETY/WARM-UP:** Lake Erie Swimming safety guidelines and warm-up procedures will be in effect at all times. Coaches must maintain contact with their swimmers during warm-up and throughout the meet. All entry into the pool for warm-up is feet first from the starting block end of the pool. Swimmers must enter the pool feet first in a cautious manner with one hand in contact with the pool edge. There is no diving during warm-up, except in designated sprint lanes. The final 20 minutes of a 40-45 minute warm-up or 15 minutes of a 30 minute warm-up shall be conducted as follows:

*For a 6 lane pool:*

- (a) Lane 1 push/pace from the start end of the pool (or general warm-up at the discretion of Meet Referee or his/her designee).
- (b) Lanes 2 & 5 sprint lanes for racing starts from the starting block end of the pool, one length only and exiting the pool.
- (c) Lanes 3, 4, and 6 general warm-up, no diving or racing starts. Any or all of these lanes may be converted to sprint lanes at the discretion of the Meet Referee or his/her designee.

Swimmers are to sprint one way and climb out at the far end of the pool. Swimmers may be removed from warm-up for violating safety rules. Feet first entry only into the continuous warm-up lanes.

**CAMERA ZONES:** Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, restrooms, or locker rooms. Additionally, under NO circumstances will Camera Zones include the area immediately behind the starting blocks at either end of the racing course(s) while they are in use for race starts during competition and warm-up. Those failing to abide by this rule may be removed from the venue.

**DECK CHANGES:** Deck changes are prohibited.

**INITIAL DISTANCE:** In order to be certain that an initial distance or lead-off relay leg is entered into SWIMS, the swimmer or the swimmer's coach should notify either the meet referee or the admin before the event and provide the necessary watches as back-up to the electronic timing. All lead-off relay splits will automatically be uploaded to SWIMS after admin approval; for all other initial distances, the proper paperwork must be completed after the swim in order for the time to be entered into SWIMS.

**OFFICIATING OPPORTUNITY** – Anyone that is a USA Swimming certified official is welcome and encouraged to join the Lake Erie Swimming (LES) officials in working this meet. Please contact the meet director or the Lake Erie Officials Chair in advance of the meet if at all possible to let either know of your availability. We are also looking for anyone that is interested in becoming an official, for more information please contact the Official's Chair.

Meet Directors and email: Carl Shallenberger, firestoneninja@gmail.com

Official's Chair: Bobby Martins

**COACHES:** Should a coaches meeting be held, announcements will be made during warm-ups.

**NOTE:** Only athletes entered in the meet, working coaches, officials, and meet workers are allowed on deck. Other non-participants are expected to remain in the spectator area.

**MEET DIRECTORS:** Carl Shallenberger, [firestoneninja@gmail.com](mailto:firestoneninja@gmail.com)

**ENTRY PERSON:** Carl Shallenberger, [firestoneninja@gmail.com](mailto:firestoneninja@gmail.com)

Officials Patty Dyer, Michael Williams, Hilary Brady

### Emergency Information

Spectator Emergency Evacuation Plan

In the event of an alarm or emergency evacuation:

Remain calm, walk to the nearest exit, and leave the building.

Do not attempt to go in the locker rooms.

Swimmers will be directed by their coach or meet workers to

The exits located on the east side of the pool (diving block side of the pool), or the south side of the pool (Diving boardside).

**CLE vs FAST**

**July 12 2021**

**Session 1**

5:00pm. Warm-up, 6:05 Meet Start (Timed Finals)

	<b>AGE GROUP/STROKE</b>	
1	MIXED 14 U 100Fr	
2	MIXED 10&UN 25FLY	
3	Mixed 12&under 50 FLY	
4	MIXED13O 100 FLY	
5	MIXED 10 U 25 BK	
6	Mixed 12&under 50BK	
7	MIXED 13O 100 BK	
8	MIX 10 U 25 BR	
9	Mixed 12&under 50 BR	
10	MIX 13O 100 BR	
11	MIXED 10&Under25 FR	
12	Mixed 14 & Under 50 FR	
13	Mixed 11-12 100 IM	
14	Mixed 13-14 200 IM	

**FAST VS CLE**

Monday July 12

8:00 a.m. Warm-up, 8:50 Meet Start (Timed Finals)

MEET ENTRY SUMMARY PAGE

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Team Code: \_\_\_\_\_ LSC Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (Total # of individual events) X \$0.00/event = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (Total # of relay events) X \$0.00/relay entry = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (Total # of swimmers) X \$1.00 (handling fee for paper entries) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL AMOUNT REMITTED:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Swimmers will be without a coach on deck:

Fri. p.m.,  Sat. am,  Sat. p.m.,  Sun. am,  Sun p.m.

I have arranged for my swimmer/s to be supervised by \_\_\_\_\_.

I VERIFY THAT EVERY SWIMMER LISTED ON THE ENCLOSED ENTRY FORM IS A REGISTERED ATHLETE MEMBER OF USA SWIMMING AND THAT EVERY COACH REPRESENTING OUR TEAM AT THIS MEET WILL BE A CURRENT COACH MEMBER OF USA SWIMMING.

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_ (coach or member team representative). DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to \_\_\_\_\_.

**Please note:** All entries submitted with this sheet should be covered by a single check.

**DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT IS** \_\_\_\_\_.

This sheet must accompany all entries including HY-TEK Meet Manager electronic entries, hard copy & check.

Mail to: \_\_\_\_\_.

**LAKE ERIE SWIMMING, INC.  
INDIVIDUAL AND RELAY SCRATCH RULE**

Each swimmer/relay team shall be aware of the meet starting time and shall report to the proper meet authorities promptly upon call.

- A. Pre-Seeded Meets - Each swimmer/relay team shall report promptly to the Clerk of Course or starting blocks prior to the race in which the swimmer/relay team is entered. Any swimmer/relay team not reporting for or competing shall not be penalized.
- B. Events Seeded on the Deck –
  - (1) Events seeded on the deck shall be closed for seeding no earlier than thirty (30) minutes prior to the start of the session. Host may provide alternate methods of check-in (such as email, phone, fax) for swimmers who do not plan to arrive before the scratch deadline.
  - (2) Any swimmer who has checked in for an individual event 400 yards/meters or longer must swim in the event unless the swimmer notifies the Clerk of Course or Administrative Official before the seeding of the event has begun that the swimmer wishes to scratch; failure to scratch prior to seeding and not swimming the event will result in a fine of \$25.00 to the swimmer's club or to the unattached swimmer, except as noted in "Exceptions for Failure to Compete" (below). A declared false start or deliberate delay of the meet in events 400 yards/meters or longer is not permitted and will be regarded as a failure to compete.
  - (3) Any agent of a team (coach, parent, swimmer, etc.) who checks in a swimmer for any event when that swimmer is not present at the meet may cause a fine of \$2.00 per swimmer per day to be levied against that team.
  - (4) Events seeded on the deck and swum as a timed final with one or more heats swimming with finals shall provide the swimmer the opportunity to indicate their desire to swim only during the preliminary session by indicating this desire by placing a "P" next to their name on the sign in sheet. Any swimmer failing to indicate this desire who does not compete during the finals session shall be subject to a fine of \$25.00, except as noted in "Exceptions for Failure to Compete" (below).
- C. Scratching from Bonus Finals, Consolation Finals and Finals
  - (1) Any swimmer qualifying for a C, B, or A (bonus and consolation final or) final race in an individual event who fails to compete in said final race shall be barred from further competition for the remainder of the meet, except as noted below in "Exceptions for Failure to Compete." If such failure to compete occurs on the swimmer's last day of the meet, the swimmer's club shall be fined twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) by LESI. If the swimmer is not a member of a USA Swimming member club, the swimmer shall be fined \$25.00. A declared false start or deliberate delay of meet is not permitted and will be regarded as a failure to compete.
  - (2) In the event of withdrawal or barring of a swimmer from competition, the Referee shall fill the consolation final or final when possible with the next qualified swimmer(s). First and second alternates shall be announced along with the final qualifiers. These alternates shall not be penalized if unavailable to compete in the finals.
  - (3) When consolation finals have not yet been swum and a barring or withdrawal is known to the Referee, the Referee shall re-seed the consolation final and the final, if necessary, to insert the alternate(s) in the appropriate lane(s), filling all lanes in the final.
  - (4) If a consolation final has already been contested, the final shall be swum without reseeding for the empty lane(s).
- D. Exceptions for Failure to Compete - No penalty shall apply for failure to withdraw or compete in an individual event if
  - (1) The Referee is notified in the event of illness or injury and accepts the proof thereof.
  - (2) A swimmer qualifying for a consolation final or final race following preliminaries notifies the Referee or designee within thirty (30) minutes after the announcement of the qualifiers for that race that the swimmer may not intend to compete. The swimmer must declare within thirty (30) minutes following his last individual preliminary event a final intention to scratch or swim.
  - (3) It is determined by the Referee that failure to compete is caused by circumstances beyond the control of the swimmer.

