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Jean K. Freeman Aquatic Center Long Course Event Operations – COVID-19 April 1, 2021

Key Safety Protocols

- ★ • Facility capacity is 382 people
 - The only exception to this count is “staff”, hereby defined as: University Staff, Host Team Event Staff (up to 3), and Officials.
 - Athletes, coaches, volunteers, and other positions not defined, all count towards the 382 capacity.
- ★ • The deck capacity not to exceed 115.
 - University Staff, Officials and Host Staff will station on-deck positions at least 6 feet apart.
- All staff, coaches, volunteers, officials, and anyone else in attendance will be required to wear masks at all times. Athletes will be required to wear a mask at all times until immediately before they enter the water.
- Anyone in the facility who has to be reminded more than three times about mask adherence will be asked to leave the facility. .
- All staff, coaches, officials, volunteers and athletes will be screened prior to entry using the Minnesota Department of Health’s [Facility Health Screening Questionnaire](#).
- Officials and coaches may only use electronic whistles.
- ★ • Spectator Seating can be used for athletes or spectators
 - There is space for 246 people, 123 each side, to be spaced 6 feet apart in the spectator areas.
 - Spectators and athletes will NOT be seated on the same side.
- Locker rooms may be accessed for restroom use and changing only. To maintain proper distancing, only six (6) people will be allowed in the locker room at a time.
- Changing rooms are available upstairs for athletes. There are 44 of them.
- ★ • Meet organizers may provide live streaming of the event should they choose. They are required to connect with the facility at least 72 hours in advance to discuss setup needs.
- Alternative displays of good sporting conduct will be encouraged. No handshakes, high-fives, hugs, excessive cheering, etc. will be allowed.

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Meet Info Requirements

- In the Assumption of Risk Statement by USA Swimming, please include the University of Minnesota.
 - 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 MINNESOTA SWIMMING, Club Name, **University of Minnesota**, 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 THEREWITH.
- In the Time Schedule, please include:
 - “The facility, including spectator area and lobby, will be cleared after each session for a 30 minute cleaning period.”
- Please include the following statement: “The University of Minnesota Staff reserve the right to remove anyone from the facility who does not comply with safety measures.”

Operations:

Ingress/Egress

- The host team must manage ingress/egress at all times the doors are unlocked
- Outside doors can lock at a predetermined time once all athletes and personnel have entered and remain locked for the duration of the event. If anyone requires re-entry during the event this must be arranged with the organizer.
- ★ • We suggest staggered entry times to reduce congestion in the Lobby
- Check in tables will administer health screening as well as direct athletes to their spot.
- The host team must staff and manage ingress/egress to ensure capacity limits are kept.

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Seating

- ★ • Please use the Long Course Capacity Map to see capacity limits of each seating area
- ★ • Athlete seating may be on deck and/or in spectator seating.
- ★ • Spectators and athletes may not be seated on the same side of the spectator concourses.
- ★ • If spectators and athletes are seated upstairs, there needs to be host team staff monitoring entry to seating areas.
 - A staff member or responsible volunteer will be assigned to the spectator seating area to help enforce social distancing and mask adherence.
 - Coaches will have bleacher space available to sit and keep their belongings. For meets with athletes under the age of 18, a coach (or adult representative if no second coach is available) from each team must be seated in the spectator area with their athletes.
 - Timers and other volunteers will have space in the Wet Classroom to keep their personal belongings.
 - Officials will be given space in the Dry Classroom for their personal belongings and breaks.
 - Meet staff will be divided between the Event Office, Meet Management, and the deck.

Warmups

- ★ • For events that exceed 96 swimmers, warm ups must happen in multiple sessions.
- ★ • Maximum lane capacity will be:
 - Competition Pool: 8 Swimmers/Lane
 - Diving Well: 5 Swimmers/Lane
- ★ • The following are the pool capacities for warmups:
 - Competition Pool: 64 Swimmers
 - Diving Well: 30 Swimmers
- ★ • Starts:
 - Host Team should assign start lanes and swim back lanes
 - ★ ◦ Coaches should direct their swimmers to swim back in another lane rather than walk on deck maskless.

Racing

- We recommend using the North side deck as a staging area for upcoming heats
- We recommend restricting coaches the South side deck to keep a one-way flow.
- ★ • No more than 4 relays per heat to keep a lane separating each relay team.

Cleaning Procedures

HDQ Neutral Disinfectant (EPA 10324-15) in spray bottles •

The bleachers will be cleaned at the end of each day.

- Doors that can, will be propped.
- Hand sanitizer bottles will be provided in any high touch point areas such as by doors that cannot be propped open.
- The facility will be cleared for 30 minutes so spectator areas and all touch points can be cleaned thoroughly before any new sessions

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