

TEAM CHARLOTTE SWIMMING

2012 SUNKISSED INVITATIONAL JR-SR SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS OF THE USA

Hosted by TEAM CHARLOTTE SWIMMING

March 29 – April 1, 2012

Held at Mecklenburg County Aquatic Center, 800 East Second Street, Charlotte, NC , 28202

Held under the Sanction of USA Swimming, Inc., issued by North Carolina Swimming, Inc. Sanction #: _____

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Facility: The competition pool is a 50-meter pool divided by 2 bulkheads creating two 8 lane 25 yard pools for the use of this competition. Non-turbulent lane lines and Paragon starting blocks. Minimum depth is 6 ft. at scoreboard end and 13 ft. at the deep end. Lane widths are nine feet (9'). Seating for 1000 people with ample parking areas within 100 yards of the facility. Colorado 5000 electronic timing system with scoreboard will be used.

The competition course has been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4). The copy of such certification is on file with USA Swimming.

Meet format: This is a prelim / final, age group, pre-seeded meet.

Session	Day	Warm-up	Meet Start	Age Group
1	Thursday	3:00 – 4:25	4:30 PM	12& U / 13& Over
2	Friday – prelims	7:30 – 8:50	9:00 AM	12& U / 13& Over
3	Friday – finals	4:30 – 5:25	6:00 PM	12& U / 13& Over
4	Saturday – prelims	7:30 – 8:50	9:00 AM	12& U / 13& Over
5	Saturday – finals	4:30 – 5:25	6:00 PM	12& U / 13& Over

6	Sunday – prelims	7:30 – 8:50	9:00 AM	12& U / 13& Over
7	Sunday – finals	Not before 3:00	1 hr past warmup	12& U / 13& Over

DEADLINE AND MEETING SUMMARY: (keep section in chronological order)

Day, Date	Time	For:
Tues. , March 13, 2012	12:00 PM	Entry deadline, NO LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED.
Thurs., March 29, 2012	2:30 PM	Coaches Meeting in the Hospitality room. Meet format and warm-up procedures will be discussed and the protest committee members will be chosen.

SAFETY

The NCS Safety Program is in effect for this meet. Coaches are advised to closely supervise their swimmers at all times. NO running or horseplay will be tolerated. All teams are expected to have at least one (1) certified coach on the deck to monitor their swimmers.

Coaches must present a current USA Swimming membership card to the Meet Director to receive their entry package and must display their membership card at all times that they are on deck.

RACING STARTS

Any swimmer entered in the meet, unaccompanied by an USA Swimming member coach, must be certified by an 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 the swimmer’s legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement.

RULES

This meet will be conducted in accordance with the current USA Swimming Rules and Regulations, except where rules therein are optional and exceptions are stated. The meet will also be governed by the “2011 Sun Kissed Invitational Junior-Senior Swimming Championships of the USA, Rules and Regulations”, copy attached.

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

ELIGIBILITY

All swimmers must be currently registered members of USA Swimming (or other FINA membership). There is no maximum age for participation; however, all swimmers must meet the eligibility requirements and the USA Swimming Code for Amateur Athletics. To participate in the Junior Section of the meet, a swimmer must have reached the age of 10 and not have reached the age of 14 on the first day of the meet and must have met the time standards established. To participate in the Senior Section of the meet, a swimmer must have reached the age of 14 by the first day of the meet and must have met the time standards established.

SWIMMERS WITH DISABILITIES

TEAM CHARLOTTE SWIMMING welcomes all swimmers with disabilities as described in the USA Swimming Rules and Regulations, Article 105, to participate in our meets. Coaches entering swimmers with disabilities that require any accommodations are required to provide advance notice in writing to the Meet Director by the entry deadline accompanying their meet entry file, including the need for any personal assistants required and/or registered service animals. Failure to provide advance notice may limit **TEAM CHARLOTTE SWIMMING's** ability to accommodate all requests.

ENTRIES

It is required that meet entries be submitted in Hy-Tek Team Manager format for import directly into the Hy-Tek Meet Manager Program. Please submit a printed output and the attached entry summary sheet. The event file will be posted on our web site at www.teamcharlotte.com and at www.ncswim.org .

All relay only swimmers including alternates must be listed on the meet entry forms and pay participation fees.

All methods of entry must include the entry summary sheet and printed output listing the swimmers first and last name, swimmer's age as of March 29, 2012, and specified events and entry times. **All swimmers must be registered as athlete members of USA Swimming at time of entry submittal** (or other FINA memberships). There will be no "On Deck" registration available at this meet. Only properly completed forms with payment of all fees will be accepted.

All relay only swimmers including alternates must be listed and pay the NCS Travel Fund surcharge.

ENTRY LIMITATIONS

There is a limit of six (6) individual events and up to four (4) relays in the 4 day period. A swimmer may swim a maximum of only three (3) individual events in one (1) day. Swimmers may swim in one division only.

ENTRY VERIFICATION

An email will be sent to the person submitting the entry confirming receipt of the entry within 48 hours of receipt.

ENTRY DEADLINES

The Meet Entry Coordinator must receive entries by Tuesday, March 13, 2012, 12:00PM. Scratches on swimmers already entered prior to the deadline will be permitted. **No late entries will be accepted.**

ENTRY FEES

Individual Event	\$5.00 per event
Relays	\$15.00 per relay
NCS Travel Fund	\$3.00 per swimmer, including relay only swimmers
Facility Surcharge	\$22.00 per swimmer short course/\$15 per swimmer long course

SEEDING

The conforming time standard for this meet is short course yards. Swimmers will be seeded and swim from slowest to fastest unless otherwise indicated. All non-conforming times will be seeded last in rank order.

SCRATCHES

All final scratches must be submitted and received by the Meet Director by 5:00 pm Wednesday, March 21, 2012 or swimmers will automatically be scratched to the first six (6) events entered. Scratches from finals must be made in accordance to the NCS and USA Swimming rules. The NCS Scratch Rule is in effect for this meet. The NCS Scratch rule is attached to this meet announcement.

SCORING

All scoring will be on a sixteen (16) place basis.

- Individual events: 20-17-16-15-14-13-12-11-9-7-6-5-4-3-2-
- Relay events: 40-34-32-30-28-26-24-22-18-14-12-10-8-6-4-2; only 2 relays per gender may score for each team.

AWARDS

INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

1 - 8 Medals
9 - 16 Ribbons

RELAYS

1 - 4 Medals
5 - 8 Ribbons

TROPHIES

Girls Team - 1st place, 2nd place, 3rd place
Boys Team - 1st place, 2nd place, 3rd place
Combined Team - 1st place, 2nd place, 3rd place
Team plaque for winner in each division
Individual high point winner in each division

RESULTS

Results will be posted on TEAM CHARLOTTE SWIMMING'S website within 24 hours of the meets conclusion. At the conclusion of the meet, teams may obtain Hy-tek backups either on a memory stick or via email attachment.

COACHES

All coaches on deck must be registered and certified with USA Swimming. Meet Management will require all coaches to show proof of certification/registration and shall prominently display their registration cards at all times while on deck. There will be a coach/general meeting **Thursday, March 29, 2012 at 2:30 in the hospitality room. Other meetings may be held at the meet referee's discretion. Meet Management requests that at least one coach representative from each team attend all coaches meetings.**

OFFICIALS/TIMERS/ VOLUNTEERS

There will be a need for officials. **TEAM CHARLOTTE SWIMMING** welcomes and encourages anyone willing to volunteer to contact the Meet Referee by email prior to the meet or sign in once you arrive at the meet. All officials on deck must be registered and certified with USA Swimming and will be required to show proof of certification/registration. Officials shall prominently display their registration cards at all times while on deck. Any official's assistance will be greatly appreciated and will help to ensure a great meet for the swimmers. **Official briefings will be held one hour prior to the start of each session in the hospitality area.**

**HOSPITALITY/
CONCESSIONS**

There will be a hospitality area open to all coaches and officials.
Refreshments will be available at the concession stand.

NOTICE:

No coolers will be allowed in the pool area. No glass. No spectators are allowed on the patio side of the pool.

WARM-UP

In accordance with USA Swimming guidelines, there will be a published warm-up procedure for all swimmers and coaches attending the meet. The Marshall will ensure all teams, coaches, and swimmers follow all warm-up procedures. Meet Management reserves the right to change warm-up times according to the number of entries. During the competition, there will be lanes available for continuous warm-up/down (if available). **There is to be no diving or horseplay in this area.**

Format:

We will be running preliminaries from both ends of the pool. Breaks will be taken if meet referee deems it necessary so that swimmers can give their maximum efforts.

WAIVER/RELEASE

: Intentionally omitted

Shirts:

Team Charlotte Swimming will be providing shirts through Fine Designs, Inc.

Volunteers:

Each team is required to send volunteers to help with the running of the meet. Teams must provide 1 volunteer per session for each 10 swimmers entered. Teams with less than 10 competitors will be required to provide one (1) volunteer per session; 11-20 competitors, two (2) volunteers per session; 21-30 competitors, three (3) volunteers per session; and so on. All volunteers will be assigned as needed by the Meet Director. Any club with certified officials that are interested in working this meet should contact the Meet Director. It is anticipated that most volunteers (other than certified officials) will be utilized as timers.

ENTRY CHECK SHEET

2012 SUN KISSED INVITATIONAL JUNIOR-SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS OF THE USA

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CHARLOTTE, NC

COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS SHEET WITH YOUR ENTRY. MAKE CERTAIN ALL LISTED ITEMS ARE INCLUDED WITH YOUR ENTRY. INCOMPLETE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

1.	Entry Check Sheet
2.	Official Financial Summary
3.	Announcer's Form
4.	Chaperone Form
5.	Entry Fee

CLUB NAME _____ CLUB CODE _____ YW or YMCA _____

ENTRY DEADLINE: ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY NOON TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2012

MAIL ENTRIES TO: Rob Yeager robyeager@yahoo.com

4051 Woodgreen Terrace
Charlotte, NC 28205

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Summary of Fees/Release Form

Complete and email or mail this form along with entry fees to (checks payable to HOST TEAM):

TEAM CHARLOTTE SWIMMING

ATTN: Rob Yeager

4051 Woodgreen Terrace

Charlotte, NC 28205

Email to: robyeager@yahoo.com

Team Name	
Club Code	
Coach	
Coach Phone	
Coach Email	
Team Address	

Item	Total Number	Cost per	Total
Individual Entries		\$5.00 per event	
Relay Entries		\$15.00 per relay	
Swimmers (Travel Fund & Facility Surcharge)		\$25.00 per swimmer	
Total Fees Due			

Waiver, Acknowledgement and Liability Release:

I, the undersigned coach or team representative, verify that all of the swimmers and coaches listed on the enclosed entry are registered with USA Swimming. I acknowledge that I am familiar with the Safety Rules of USA Swimming, Inc. and North Carolina Swimming, Inc. regarding warm-up procedures and meet safety guidelines, and that I shall be responsible for the compliance of my swimmers with those rules during this meet. TEAM HOST, FACILITY, North Carolina Swimming, Inc., and USA Swimming, Inc., their agents, employees, and coaches shall be held free and harmless from any and all liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of illness or injury to anyone during the conduct of this meet. I also acknowledge that by entering this meet, I am granting permission for the names of any or all of my team's swimmers to be published on the internet in the form of Psych Sheets, Meet Results, or any other documents associated with the running of this meet.

SIGNATURE (Coach or Club Representative)

CLUB

TITLE

DATE

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ANNOUNCERS FORM FOR PARADE OF TEAMS AND GRADUATING SENIORS

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

The _____

(Team Name)

From _____

(City/State)

Their Head Coach is _____

Their Assistant Coaches are:

List all Seniors who will be graduating this year

Name

of Years on Team

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OFFICIAL TEAM ENTRY APPLICATION

DATE OF REQUEST _____

TODAY'S DATE _____

TEAM: _____

NICKNAME: _____ COLORS: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

HEAD COACH: _____

PHONE: HOME: _____ WORK: _____

FAX: _____ E-Mail _____

USA SWIMMING CHARTER DATE OF EXPIRATION _____

AFFILIATION: YWCA OF: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF SWIMMERS THAT WILL PARTICIPATE

REASON FOR ATTENDING THIS MEET: _____

APPROVALS:

COORDINATOR OF TEAM SELECTION/APPROVAL COMMITTEE

_____ DATE _____

NOTE. THE ABOVE SIGNATURE INDICATES THE COORDINATOR HAS THE APPROVAL OF THE COMMITTEE FOR THE ABOVE TEAMS PARTICIPATION.

MEET DIRECTOR _____ DATE _____

Rob Yeager

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2012 SUNKISSED INVITATIONAL JUNIOR-SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

THURSDAY, MARCH 29, 2012

WARM-UP 3:00 PM - START 4:30 PM

All individual events are timed finals. All relays are timed-finals.

PRELIMINARY EVENTS DAY ONE

NUMBER	EVENT	QUALIFYING TIME
1	Senior Girls 1000 Yard Freestyle	12:25.50
2	Senior Boys 1000 Yard Freestyle	11:58.50
3	Junior Girls 500 Yard Freestyle	6:05.99
4	Junior Boys 500 Yard Freestyle	5:57.99
5	Senior Girls 200 Yard Medley Relay	NT
6	Senior Boys 200 Yard Medley Relay	NT
7	Junior Girls 200 Yard Medley Relay	NT
8	Junior Boys 200 Yard Medley Relay	NT

AWARDS PRESENTATION

2012 SUNKISSED INVITATIONAL JUNIOR-SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

FRIDAY, March 30, 2012

PRELIMINARIES WARM-UP 7:30 AM - START 9:00 AM

FINALS WARM-UP 4:30 PM - START 6:00 PM (OPENING CEREMONIES WITH PARADE OF TEAMS 5:30 PM)

All individual events are prelim/finals. All relays are timed-finals.

PRELIMINARY EVENTS DAY TWO

NUMBER	EVENT	QUALIFYING TIME
9	Junior Girls 200 Yard Backstroke	2:32.99
10	Junior Boys 200 Yard Backstroke	2:35.99
11	Senior Girls 100 Yard Breaststroke	1:15.99
12	Senior Boys 100 Yard Breaststroke	1:08.99
13	Junior Girls 100 Yard Breaststroke	1:22.99
14	Junior Boys 100 Yard Breaststroke	1:20.99
15	Senior Girls 200 Yard Freestyle	2:08.99
16	Senior Boys 200 Yard Freestyle	1:56.99
17	Junior Girls 200 Yard Freestyle	2:17.99
18	Junior Boys 200 Yard Freestyle	2:15.99
19	Senior Girls 100 Yard Butterfly	1:07.99
20	Senior Boys 100 Yard Butterfly	1:00.99
21	Junior Girls 100 Yard Butterfly	1:14.99
22	Junior Boys 100 Yard Butterfly	1:12.99
23	Senior Girls 200 Yard Individual Medley	2:25.99
24	Senior Boys 200 Yard Individual Medley	2:15.99
25	Junior Girls 400 Yard Medley Relay	NT
26	Junior Boys 400 Yard Medley Relay	NT
27	Senior Girls 400 Yard Medley Relay	NT
28	Senior Boys 400 Yard Medley Relay	NT

FINALS PROGRAM DAY TWO - CONSOLATION & FINALS — *Bonus Heat

25	One Heat	Junior Girls 400 Yard Medley Relay – Fastest 8 Seeded (Timed Finals)
26	One Heat	Junior Boys 400 Yard Medley Relay – Fastest 8 Seeded (Timed Finals)
11	*	Senior Girls 100 Yard Breaststroke
12	*	Senior Boys 100 Yard Breaststroke
13	*	Junior Girls 100 Yard Breaststroke
14	*	Junior Boys 100 Yard Breaststroke
15		Senior Girls 200 Yard Freestyle
16		Senior Boys 200 Yard Freestyle
17		Junior Girls 200 Yard Freestyle
18		Junior Boys 200 Yard Freestyle
19	*	Senior Girls 100 Yard Butterfly
20	*	Senior Boys 100 Yard Butterfly
21	*	Junior Girls 100 Yard Butterfly
22	*	Junior Boys 100 Yard Butterfly
23		Senior Girls 200 Yard Individual Medley
24		Senior Boys 200 Yard Individual Medley
9		Junior Girls 200 Yard Backstroke
10		Junior Boys 200 Yard Backstroke
27	One Heat	Senior Girls 400 Yard Medley Relay – Fastest 8 Seeded (Timed Finals)
28	One Heat	Senior Boys 400 Yard Medley Relay – Fastest 8 Seeded (Timed Finals)

There shall be a minimum of two hours between the last heat of the Preliminary session and the start of the first race in the Finals session. In the event of weather related postponements, adjustments or other unforeseen events, the Meet Director shall have the authority to act and reschedule or re-formulate the structure of the meet.

2012 SUNKISSED INVITATIONAL JUNIOR-SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

SATURDAY, March 30, 2012

PRELIMINARIES WARM-UP 7:30 AM - START 9:00 AM

FINALS WARM-UP 4:30 PM - START 6:00 PM

SENIOR RECOGNITION - 5:30 PM

All individual events are prelim/finals. All relays are timed-finals.

PRELIMINARY EVENTS DAY THREE

NUMBER	EVENT	QUALIFYING TIME
33	Senior Girls 50 Yard Freestyle	26.99
34	Senior Boys 50 Yard Freestyle	24.99
29	Junior Girls 200 Yard Butterfly	2:49.50
30	Junior Boys 200 Yard Butterfly	2:39.50
31	Senior Girls 500 Yard Freestyle	5:45.99
32	Senior Boys 500 Yard Freestyle	5:13.99
35	Junior Girls 50 Yard Freestyle	27.99
36	Junior Boys 50 Yard Freestyle	27.99
37	Senior Girls 200 Yard Breaststroke	2:49.99
38	Senior Boys 200 Yard Breaststroke	2:38.99
39	Junior Girls 200 Yard Individual Medley	2:35.99
40	Junior Boys 200 Yard Individual Medley	2:34.99
41	Senior Girls 200 Yard Backstroke	2:30.99
42	Senior Boys 200 Yard Backstroke	2:19.99
43	Junior Girls 400 Yard Freestyle Relay	NT
44	Junior Boys 400 Yard Freestyle Relay	NT
45	Senior Girls 400 Yard Freestyle Relay	NT
46	Senior Boys 400 Yard Freestyle Relay	NT

FINALS PROGRAM DAY THREE CONSOLATION & FINALS — *Bonus Heat

43	One Heat	Junior Girls 400 Yard Freestyle Relay – Fastest 8 Seeded (Timed Finals)
33	*	Senior Girls 50 Yard Freestyle
34	*	Senior Boys 50 Yard Freestyle
44	One Heat	Junior Boys 400 Yard Freestyle Relay - Fastest 8 Seeded (Timed Finals)
31		Senior Girls 500 Yard Freestyle
32		Senior Boys 500 Yard Freestyle
35	*	Junior Girls 50 Yard Freestyle
36	*	Junior Boys 50 Yard Freestyle
37		Senior Girls 200 Yard Breaststroke
38		Senior Boys 200 Yard Breaststroke
39		Junior Girls 200 Yard Individual Medley
40		Junior Boys 200 Yard Individual Medley
41		Senior Girls 200 Yard Backstroke
42		Senior Boys 200 Yard Backstroke
29		Junior Girls 200 Yard Butterfly
30		Junior Boys 200 Yard Butterfly
45	One Heat	Senior Girls 400 Yard Freestyle Relay - Fastest 8 Seeded (Timed Finals)
46	One Heat	Senior Boys 400 Yard Freestyle Relay - Fastest 8 Seeded (Timed Finals)

There shall be a minimum of two hours between the last heat of the Preliminary session and the start of the first race in the Finals session. In the event of weather related postponements, adjustments or other unforeseen events, the Meet Director shall have the authority to act and reschedule or re-formulate the structure of the meet.

2012 SUNKISSED INVITATIONAL JUNIOR-SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

SUNDAY APRIL 1, 2012

PRELIMINARIES WARM-UP 7:30 AM - START 9:00 AM

FINALS WARM-UP will not begin before 3:00 PM

All individual events are prelim/finals. All relays are timed-finals.

PRELIMINARY EVENTS DAY FOUR

NUMBER	EVENT	QUALIFYING TIME
47	Junior Girls 200 Yard Breaststroke	2:57.50
48	Junior Boys 200 Yard Breaststroke	2:53.50
49	Senior Girls 400 Yard Individual Medley	5:25.99
50	Senior Boys 400 Yard Individual Medley	4:46.99
51	Junior Girls 100 Yard Individual Medley	1:13.50
52	Junior Boys 100 Yard Individual Medley	1:11.99
53	Senior Girls 100 Yard Backstroke	1:08.99
54	Senior Boys 100 Yard Backstroke	1:02.99
55	Junior Girls 100 Yard Backstroke	1:12.99
56	Junior Boys 100 Yard Backstroke	1:13.99
57	Senior Girls 200 Yard Butterfly	2:47.50
58	Senior Boys 200 Yard Butterfly	2:23.99
59	Junior Girls 100 Yard Freestyle	1:02.50
60	Junior Boys 100 Yard Freestyle	1:01.99
61	Senior Girls 100 Yard Freestyle	58.99
62	Senior Boys 100 Yard Freestyle	52.99
63	Junior Girls 200 Yard Free Relay	NT
64	Junior Boys 200 Yard Free Relay	NT
65	Senior Girls 200 Yard Free Relay	NT
66	Senior Boys 200 Yard Free Relay	NT

FINALS PROGRAM DAY FOUR

CONSOLATION & FINALS — * Bonus Heat

63	One Heat	Junior Girls 200 Yard Free Relay - Fastest 8 Seeded (Timed Finals)
64	One Heat	Junior Boys 200 Yard Free Relay - Fastest 8 Seeded (Timed Finals)
49		Senior Girls 400 Yard Individual Medley
50		Senior Boys 400 Yard Individual Medley
51	*	Junior Girls 100 Yard Individual Medley
52	*	Junior Boys 100 Yard Individual Medley
53	*	Senior Girls 100 Yard Backstroke
54	*	Senior Boys 100 Yard Backstroke
55	*	Junior Girls 100 Yard Backstroke
56	*	Junior Boys 100 Yard Backstroke
57		Senior Girls 200 Yard Butterfly
58		Senior Boys 200 Yard Butterfly
59	*	Junior Girls 100 Yard Freestyle
60	*	Junior Boys 100 Yard Freestyle
61	*	Senior Girls 100 Yard Freestyle
62	*	Senior Boys 100 Yard Freestyle
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There shall be a minimum of two hours between the last heat of the Preliminary session and the start of the first race in the Finals session. In the event of weather related postponements, adjustments or other unforeseen events, the Meet Director shall have the authority to act and reschedule or re-formulate the structure of the meet.

2012 Sun Kissed Invitational Jr-Sr Swimming Championships of the USA

Bi-Laws and Regulations

A. Meet Rules

1. USA SWIMMING Technical rules and the following championship rules will govern the meet.
2. The meet format and time schedule is devised by the Executive Meet Committee, using current USA SWIMMING 3 day format as a guide. Adjustments may be made only by the committee and must be published at meet mailing. Evaluation of the time standards will be made every year and adjusted as necessary.
3. The order of events and time schedule shall be attached with entry forms.
4. There shall be a minimum of two hours between the last heat of the preliminary sessions and the start of the first race in the finals session.
5. Sixteen (16) lanes will be used for preliminaries and timed finals. Eight (8) lanes will be used for consolations and finals.
6. Each swimmer must scratch to swim a maximum of six (6) individual events and up to four (4) relays in the four day period. However, swimmers may enter as many events as qualified, but may swim in one division only. A maximum of four (4) team relay entries allowed per event.
7. Junior events will feature consolation and finals, except the junior 500 yard freestyle and all relays which will be timed finals with the fastest eight (8) seeded swimmers/teams competing in the finals portion of the program.
8. Senior events will feature consolations and finals, except in the senior 1000 yard freestyle and all relays which will be timed-finals with the fastest eight (8) seeded swimmers/teams competing in the finals portion of the program.
9. The fastest heat of all junior relays will swim as the first heat of the finals program each day, except on Saturday when the Senior 50 freestyle will be the first event of the finals program with the Junior Relays as the next event, schedule will then follow order of prelims. All Junior 200 yard backstroke, butterfly and breaststroke events will be swum as the first event on Friday, Saturday and Sunday respectively. For each finals session, these events will be swum before the senior 200 yard freestyle relays. At the discretion of the meet referee, a five (5) minute break may be taken before the start of the senior relays.
10. In events with eight (8) or less entrants, the event will be swum in the finals with no preliminaries.
11. Failure of a swimmer to report to the blocks for an event will cause them to be scratched from all subsequent individual events that day only.
12. Scratch sheets (for all four days) shall be given to the Meet Director. See heading scratches (Section E.)
13. Meet records will maintain the current listing of record holders and will list the names of members of relay record holders (where possible) as well as the team name.
14. The executive committee will address warm-up procedures at each annual spring meeting and make recommendations to the sponsoring team for the subsequent meet year.

B. Entry Procedures and Rules

1. Meet information packet together with all relevant information regarding the Sun Kissed Invitational Junior/Senior Championship Meet shall be mailed to all associations that participated in the 2011 meet and any other associations as may be interested, as soon as possible after the indoor season begins, but no later than November 15, of the meet year, by the sponsoring team. The entry packet with all relevant forms will be mailed by January 15 to approved teams.
2. Team entries may be required to be returned to the meet sponsor no earlier than one month before the first day of the meet. The actual date will be established by the meet sponsor.
3. All fees and required financial consideration must accompany the entry or it shall be returned to the entering team.
4. All required certifications of the coach and executive director of the association shall be completed or the entry shall be returned to the entering team.
5. USA SWIMMING team membership certificates, coaches USA SWIMMING membership card; verification of individual USA SWIMMING competitor's registration (card or letter from LSC registration chair) should all be copied and included with the submitted entry forms. Entry will not be accepted if documentation does not accompany the entry form.
6. The meet entry packet will include the qualifying time standards, meet site, meet date and sponsor, meet format/schedule, list of available accommodations and any other relevant information.

C. Eligibility

1. There is no maximum age for participation. However, all swimmers must meet the eligibility requirements and the USA SWIMMING code for amateur athletics.
2. To participate in the junior section of the meet a swimmer must have reached the age of 10 and not have reached the age of 14 on the first day of the meet and must have met the time standards established.
3. To participate in the senior section of the meet, a swimmer must have reached the age of 14 by the first day of the meet and must have met the time standards established.
4. A swimmer may participate in one section of the meet only. However, a swimmer may enter as many events as desired and qualified regardless of the section.
5. Proof of time is required for any swimmer who should reach places 1 - 16 and whose time is slower than the time standard for that event. No award or points will be presented until the team can verify previous qualifying time standard performance within one hour of the conclusion of the race.
6. Individuals must be registered with USA SWIMMING prior to the entry deadline and be a member in good standing of the institution they represent since January 1 of the meet year.
7. All competitors in the meet must have represented their respective institutions in at least two meets since the prior years championship meet. These meets may be league type dual meets or USA SWIMMING-Sponsored events and may not take place on the same day. Intra-club events will not be permitted to count towards this requirement.

8. Dual representation is not allowed by a participating swimmer after January 1 of the meet year except in cases of scholastic competition.
9. Teams and coaches must be members of USA SWIMMING as of January 1, of the meet year.
10. Each swimmer or team not providing proof of eligibility shall not be eligible to participate in this meet. Coaches will have their USA SWIMMING membership card verified at the check-in meeting before the start of the meet.
11. The executive committee of the SunKissed Invitational Junior/Senior Swimming Championship meet may waive a portion of the eligibility rules where a coach certifies that the requirement cannot be met because of circumstances beyond his/her control.
12. Any new team requesting entry in the SunKissed Invitational Junior/Senior Swimming Championships must request an official request to attend form from the Meet Director. This form must be filled out and returned with an accompanying check for \$100. This fee is non-refundable, but will be applied to the new team's entry fee if they are accepted and choose to attend the meet.

Before allowing any additional teams from the North Carolina LSC to compete in this meet, permission from the North Carolina Swimming board of Directions must be obtained. Teams will be subject to this rule beginning with the 2010 SunKissed invitational. The following NCS teams have attended and competed at this meet, prior to this amendment to the rules, and will be considered a part of the SunKissed Invitational, thus will not be subject to the above directive:

High Point Swim Club
Queen City Dolphins
Fins Aquatic Swim Team

D. Entries and Fees

1. Fees: \$5.00 per individual event entered pre-scratch and 15.00 per relay event. There will be a per-swimmer participation charge of \$25.00 to cover the cost of awards, supplies and pool rental. Insurance is covered by your USA SWIMMING membership.
2. Fees and other charges must accompany entries. There will be no refunds. All entries are final. No late or telephone entries will be accepted. Checks or money order only. (Payable to: Team Charlotte Swimming)
3. All entries must be on the official entry forms, correctly filled out with name, times, etc., typed or printed clearly in ink. Entry deadline and address where entries are to be mailed will be attached to forms.
4. Each team will be assessed \$50.00 to assure the hiring of a minimum of six Level II officials per session. An inquiry of available USA SWIMMING officials will be made each year of participating teams and the LSC, to fill the necessary positions. These officials will be paid the prevailing rate of the LSC. See Heading Officials. (Section K)

E. Scratches

1. Scratches for all four days must be received by the Meet Director before 3 PM the Thursday before the meet or swimmer will automatically be scratched to the first six (6) entered events. Scratches shall be sent by e-mail.

2. Scratches from finals must be made according to USA SWIMMING rules.
3. Scratch sheets should be submitted on a separate form listing information required by the Meet Director.
4. It is the coaches responsibility to attend the Thursday night check-in meeting (whether that coach has any scratches or not) to check with the Meet Director for further instructions, materials, and packet pick-up. Each team will be allowed additional scratches for injury or illness, at the discretion of the Meet Director/Meet Referee).

F. Meet Protest Committee

1. Shall consist of the Meet referee, two coaches, and one Senior athlete chosen by random drawing at the coaches' check-in meeting, by the meet Director or his designee the night before the start of the meet.

G. Protests

1. Protests shall be considered according to USA SWIMMING rules.
2. The committee shall meet as expeditiously as possible and shall render a decision, if at all possible, before the conclusion of the last event of the session in which the protest was rendered meet.
3. Any member of the committee whose team member is involved in the protest shall be eliminated from deliberation and resolution of the appeal. A substitute shall be appointed by the Meet Director.
4. The committee shall notify all affected teams (in writing) of its decision. Such decision will be given, in writing, at the request of either party. If a penalty is involved the Meet Director shall also notify the executive director of the association involved.
5. The decisions of the meet protest committee are final.

H. Supervision and Conduct of Athletes

1. Chaperones: It is the policy of the SunKissed Invitational Junior/Senior Swimming Championship Executive Meet Committee to have a required number of chaperones per participating number of swimmers. This number has been set at one chaperone to every five (5) swimmers. Chaperones may include coaches, parents and officials/staff traveling with the team. However chaperones are expected to know the whereabouts of all contestants at all times. Chaperons may also serve as and be listed on the officials forms. Job description will appear on proper form.
2. Conduct: All athletes are expected to conduct themselves in a manner suitable to normal standards. Acts of vandalism, mischief, horseplay, stealing or foul language will not be tolerated. Coaches and chaperones are expected to enforce these rules.
3. The Executive Meet Committee shall review, if necessary, any incident where acts of vandalism, mischief, horseplay, stealing or foul language are reported. This behavior can result in expulsion from the meet.

I. Scoring

1. Scoring will be through 16 places for individual events:
Points - 20, 17, 16, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11, 9, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, & 1
2. Scoring will be through 16 places for relays (double individual):
Points - 40, 34, 32, 30, 28, 26, 24, 22, 18, 14, 12, 10, 8, 6, 4 & 2

J. Awards

1. Individual Events - Custom Medals 1 - 8 places and Ribbons 9 - 16.
2. Relay Events - Custom medals for 1 - 4 places and Ribbons 5 - 8 places.
3. Trophy for individual high point in four divisions.
4. Team plaque for winner in four divisions.
5. Trophies for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place combined girls team; combined boys team; and combined overall team.
6. There will be uniformity of awards.
7. Presentation of awards will take place during the evening session each day and at the end of the meet.
8. Standard ribbon awards for bonus heats.

K. Officials

1. Key meet officials will be chosen in advance, however, each team is required to send volunteers to perform duties such as timing, clerical jobs, judges, clerk of course, etc. Teams must provide 1 volunteer per session for each 10 swimmers entered. Teams with less than 10 competitors will be asked for one volunteer per session; 11-20 competitors, 2 volunteers per session; 21-30, 3 volunteers per session: and so on. All volunteers will be assigned as needed by the Meet Director.
2. Each team will be assessed \$50.00 annual dues to assure the hiring of a minimum of six level II USA SWIMMING certified officials per session. An inquiry of available USA SWIMMING officials will be made each year (by the Meet Referee) to fill the necessary positions. These officials will be paid the prevailing rate for the LSC. Copies of current USA SWIMMING membership and USA SWIMMING officials' certification cards must be presented to the Meet Referee upon check in and mailed or faxed to Meet Director one month prior to meet.
3. Regulations as required by USA SWIMMING and the sanction as issued by the LSC will be enforced. (See Meet Rules A.1)
4. Every team must supply a minimum of one (1) adult member for marshaling during the meet.
5. Any team that does not supply the Meet Director with volunteers and substantiate at least one as an USA SWIMMING member, shall be fined \$25.00 payable to the Meet Director. Results and awards will be withheld and no entry will be accepted for subsequent meets, if fine is not paid promptly.

L. Amendments to the Rules

1. The basic purpose, intent, or meaning of the rules herein shall not be altered, changed or added to, except for the purpose of clarity, reinforcement, evident omission or in order to comply with the current USA SWIMMING Championship rules, except by action taken at a duly called meeting of the Executive Meet Committee.

M. Award of Sponsorship and Dates

1. The date of each Sun Kissed Invitational Junior/Senior Swimming Championship of the USA should be no earlier than the last weekend in March and no later than the second last weekend in April of each year as established by the Executive Meet Committee. The projected dates for the next three (3) years are as follows:
 - a. March 29 – April 1, 2012
 - b. April 4 – 7, 2013
 - c. ??????????????
2. It is recommended the facility have a minimum of eight (8) lanes by 25 yards long; a separate warm-up area available; should have adequate deck and spectator space. It is recommended that there be suitable accommodations within a reasonable distance from the pool and food service available at the meet location.
3. An electronic timing system is required and a USA SWIMMING sanction number, issued by the LSC.
4. Bids for sponsorship should be submitted in writing to the site selection committee before February 1, one year in advance of the meet year that is bid. The bid must include a signed intent, by the director of the facility intending to host the meet. The Executive Meet Committee will investigate the facility to ensure it will be an adequate venue for the competition of this meet.
5. Bids for sponsorship will include name of Meet Director and follow job descriptions in E.M.C. Bylaws.
6. Fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) from championship meet-profit will be given to the Executive Committee treasurer by the sponsoring team at the conclusion of the meet to ensure the continuance of this meet and cover the committee expenses.

N. Executive Meet Committee

1. The Executive Meet Committee shall serve for the purpose of ensuring the continuance of the SunKissed Invitational Junior/Senior Championship meet as a quality national level competition. Until otherwise agreed, the Executive Meet Committee will consist of the host team's coach, the host team's meet director, the meet referee and two coaches from visiting teams.
2. Shall be comprised of the head coach, staff member or designated parent representative from a swim team that has participated since 1987 in either the YWCA Junior/Senior Swimming Championships of the USA or the SunKissed Invitational Junior/Senior Swimming Championships of the USA. For event dates 2012-2014, the Executive Committee will be comprised of Doug Fleck (Team Charlotte Swimming), Garland Hughes (Team Charlotte Swimming), Jim Riggs (Meet Referee), Nick Cavataro (Greenwich Dolphins) and Ilan Noach (Empire Swimming).
3. Shall follow bylaws as established for the Executive Meet Committee that includes job descriptions and policies as required.