

2024 Eastern Zone Short Course Age Group Championships



Hosted by the Fairport Area Swim Team

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Instructions and Guidelines for Swimmers with Disabilities

- Each club may have swimmers with disabilities that achieve their Zone Parallel Time Standard to the meet. There is no limit on the number of athletes with a disability that they can bring who have achieved the standard.
- They must provide a time for each event they enter. This information can be e-mailed, but ALL the information on the entry form must be included in the e-mail. Please indicate the P1-3 category that you feel your swimmer should be categorized in.
- Swimmers with disabilities may compete in Finals, earn awards, and score points for their team in the same manner as the able-bodied swimmers.
- It is the responsibility of the swimmer, or his/her coach, to inform the Meet Referee and Meet Director/Entry Chair of any disability-related accommodations he/she may need to compete.
 - This information must be given in advance of the meet on the entry form.
 - The Meet Referee shall determine any modifications that may be required and relay the information to the starter and stroke and turn judges:
 - Seeding the swimmer with others of the appropriate gender.
 - Allowing the swimmers to compete half the distance of their age group (swim the 100-yard backstroke during the 200-yard backstroke race).
 - Allowing the swimmer to compete with a younger age group where their entry time is similar to the able-bodied swimmers for the same distance (a 15-year-old swimmer with a disability could swim the 100-yard freestyle with the 10 & Under age group).
 - Reassigning the lane of a deaf swimmer if a required view of the strobe light is obscured and the light cannot be repositioned.
 - Visually impaired swimmers who require tappers must bring their own devices and individuals to use them.
- Should a Disability Record be set, it's the responsibility of the swimmer to complete and submit the application for an American Record.
- The final meet results will show the swimmer with a disability listed in the correct age and event, regardless of where he/she competed.