

Name of Meet: **2022 Rays Snowflake Invitational**

Date of Meet: 12/9-11/2022

Meet Sanction: Held under the sanction of USA Swimming issued by SC Swimming:
Sanction Number SC2339SCY and SC2340TT

Host Club: YMCA of Upper Palmetto Rays

Meet Director: Tom Andrychowski tomandrychowski@hotmaill.com 704-779-5881
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Facility: Meet Location:
Rock Hill Aquatics Center 803-817-7665
325 Rawlinson Road
Rock Hill, South Carolina 29732

The Rock Hill Aquatics Center is an indoor climate-controlled facility with a ten lane 25-yard pool and adjacent eight lane warm-up pool. The warm-up pool will be available for the duration of the meet. The Paddock built competition pool has eight-foot-wide lanes with bottom striping and wall targets. The pool also features an Automatic Surge Reduction guttering system with non-turbulent lane lines and collegiate starting blocks. The facility features bleacher seating for 500 spectators and ample deck space with on-deck bleachers for swimmers. The facility also features a ten lane Colorado Timing Olympex Scoreboard. Only officials, coaches and swimmers will be allowed on the deck during warm-up and competition. The facility features 4 locker rooms (Boys & Men, Girls & Women) along with separate rest room facilities for spectators. All areas of the facility are handicap accessible. Overflow parking is available at the adjacent elementary school.

The water depth of the competition course is eight (8) feet, six (6) inches, measured from one (1) meter to five (5) meters, on the starting end of the course, and five (5) feet, two (2) inches, measured from one (1) meter to five (5) meters, at the turn end of the course. The water depth of the warm down course is four (4) feet, eleven (11) inches, measured from one (1) meter to five (5) meters, on the starting end of the course, and three (3) feet, six (6) inches, measured from one (1) meter to five (5) meters, at the turn end of the course. Both competition courses have been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4). The copy of certification is on file with USA Swimming.

Medical supervision will be provided by the Rock Hill Aquatics Center Lifeguard staff.

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.

Rules:

The Meet is to be conducted in accordance with the current USA Swimming and SC Swimming Rules and Regulations and information herein.

Stadium seats and deck chairs are not permitted in the bleachers.

Horseplay in the warmup pool will not be permitted. Swimmers must follow the pool rules and obey the lifeguard at all times.

Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is prohibited in changing areas, rest rooms, and locker rooms.

Swimwear: Swimmers 12 years old and younger are not permitted to wear "Technical" suits at this meet. (USA Swimming Rule 102.81.1.F)

Deck changing is prohibited by USA Swimming and South Carolina Swimming. A first offense will result in the disqualification of the offending swimmer from the next scheduled event. The second offense for the same swimmer will result in the disqualification from the remainder of the meet.

All 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 2.0"), and that they understand that compliance with MAAPP 2.0 is a condition of participation in the conduct of this competition.

Image Release:

By attending or participating in this competition, you agree to be filmed and photographed by the host club approved photographer(s) and videographer(s) and to allow the right to use names and pictures before, during, or after the meet such as in public psych sheets, heat sheets, and results or featured on the host club or SCLSC website or social media or in public broadcast of the event via television or webcast. Parents and guardians of minor swimmers who do not wish their swimmers to participate in interviews or have individual pictures featured on any media should inform their team's head coach and the Meet Director prior to the start of the meet.

Athlete Eligibility:

This competition is open to any USA-S registered swimmer. Swimmer's age for the meet will be the age as of December 9, 2022.

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.

Entry Fees:

Swimmers may enter and swim one (1) individual event on Friday and four (4) individual events per day on Saturday and Sunday including any time trials for a maximum meet total of nine (9) individual events. Swimmers may swim on a maximum of one (1) relay per day for a meet maximum of two (2).

Entry fees will be:

In LSC:	\$4.00/event
	\$25.00 per swimmer for pool use
	\$2.00 per in LSC swimmer for S.C.L.S.C. Travel Fund/Program Fee
	\$2.00 Sport Development Fee
	\$8.00 per relay entry
Out of LSC:	\$4.00/event
	\$25.00 per swimmer for pool use
	\$2.00 per out of LSC swimmer for S.C.L.S.C. Travel Fund/Program Fee
	\$2.00 Sport Development Fee
	\$2.00 per swimmer out of LSC fee
	\$8.00 per relay entry

Late entries will be double the regular entry fee per event.

Time trials may be offered at the discretion of the Meet Referee. Time trials will be \$8.00 per time trial.

The meet host reserves the right to refund fees due to unforeseen circumstances or acts of nature.

Checks should be made payable to the **YMCA of Upper Palmetto**. Credit cards may also be used for payment of entry fees.

Meet Format:

All events will be contested as timed finals.

- The Open 1650 will be awarded 10-Under, 11-12, 13-14 and 15 & Over.
- All events on Friday will be deck seeded and require positive check-in.
- The Open 200 IM will be seeded slow to fast.
- All events 400 yards and longer will be positive check-in and deck seeded. Positive check-in will close thirty (30) minutes after the start of warm-ups.
- The 400 IM, 500 Free will be swum slowest to fastest.
- The 1650 Free will be swum fastest to slowest, alternating girls and boys.
- Meet management reserves the right to combine heats of girls and boys depending on entry numbers.
- Any swimmer who is positively checked in for an event and does not swim will be ineligible for his/her next individual event.
- **Scratch Rule:** All scratches should be submitted to the Clerk of Course as soon as possible to provide lanes for possible deck entries.
- Swimmers must provide their own timer for the 1650 Freestyle. Swimmers will need to provide their own personnel to count should they desire to have a counter.
- The Mixed Relays must consist of two girls and two boys.

Swimmers entering the 11-12 200-yard backstroke, breaststroke, and butterfly events should note that there will be no break nor extra time consideration between events if they choose to enter the 50-yard distance of these strokes.

The meet management reserves the right to swim all distance events using two (2) pools. If this is determined to be the best for the running of the meet, the Girls 400 IM and 500 Free will be contested in the 10-lane pool and the Boys 1650 Free will be contested in the 10-lane pool, the remaining heats/events will be contested in the 8-lane pool.

The meet management reserves the right to move age groups to a different session if it is necessary for the efficient running of the meet as well as the right to adjust warm up and session start times.

Time trials will be held at the discretion of the meet referee. Time trials will count towards the total event limit for the day.

The entry limit for the meet will be 400 swimmers in addition to Rays swimmers. Teams will be notified if their entries are not accepted.

Time of Meet:

Friday will begin warm-ups at 5:00 pm and timed finals at 6:05 pm. The Saturday morning session will begin warm-ups at 7:00 am and timed finals at 8:15 am. The Sunday Morning session will begin warm-ups at 7:00 am and timed finals at 8:05 am for the 13 and Over session. The 12 & Under sessions will begin warm-ups at 12:00 pm and timed finals at 1:05 pm.

Teams will be assigned lanes for warm-up. Equipment such as kickboards, pull buoys, etc. may not be used during any warmup. The warm-down pool will be available during the swim meet for swimmers in the meet only. However, swimmers who horseplay in the warm-down pool may be asked to get out of the pool and may be disqualified from the remainder of their events for the meet.

Meet management reserves the right to adjust the warm-up and start times of any session to run the meet more efficiently. Meet management reserves the right to combine sessions or to move age groups to a different session to run the meet more efficiently. The meet host reserves the right to move events to another session, to add sessions, to delete events and to alter the session times to facilitate the most efficient running of the meet.

Entries:

Please use swimmer's full name and sanctioned short course yard entry times. Attach a copy of your current USA Swimming roster with athlete numbers as supplied by your LSC registration chairman for verification purposes. Electronic entry using SDIF format is encouraged. You must submit paper back-up copy for verification.

Meet entries should be received by Tuesday, November 29, 2022. Hard copies of entries and checks should be mailed to:

2022 Rays Snowflake Invitational Meet Entries
c/o Lynn Williams
325 Rawlinson Road
Rock Hill, SC 29732

E-mailed entries must also be accompanied by Word document exports of the entries by swimmer and fee summary.

E-mail entries should be sent to lynnwilliams@ymcaup.org. Please send any certified or express mail with a signature release.

Checks should be made payable to **YMCA of Upper Palmetto**. Payment may also be made by credit card.

Late entries and deck entries will be accepted at the discretion of the meet director and at double the event fee.

Time trials may be held at the end of each session at the discretion of the Referee. Time trials will be \$8.00 per time trial and will count in the daily and meet event total.

All swimmers deck entering the meet must provide proof of current USA Swimming membership. SC Swimming does not accept deck registrations; all swimmers entered must be registered at time of entry deadline.

Awards: 13-Over events will be awarded by age group (13-14, 15-Over); 12 and under events will be awarded by age group (10-Under, 11-12). Open events will be awarded by age group: 10-Under, 11-12, 13-14, 15-Over.
All event winners will receive a custom award for the first event won. All participants will receive a custom participant award.

Scoring: This meet will not be scored for individual or team points.

Timing: Colorado Timing System and data processing by YMCA of Upper Palmetto Timing.

Timers from participating teams are requested in proportion to the number of swimmers entered.

All swimmers entered in the 1650 Freestyle are required to provide their own timer; if a counter is desired, the swimmer must provide the personnel to do so.

Coaches

Eligibility:

All coaches must be a current coach member in good standing with USA Swimming and present their credentials to receive their coaching packet.

There will be Coaches Meeting at 8:00 am on Saturday. Each team should have one representative coach present for this meeting.

Other**Information:**

Digital Heat Sheets: Digital heat sheets will be available for the meet at no additional cost; they will be posted on the meet page of the Rays website: www.swimrays.com. The heat sheets will also be posted on Meet Mobile at no additional costs. Hard copies of the heat sheet will be provided to coaches at the meet.

Officials: Certified officials willing to work are most welcome. There will be an Officials meeting beginning one (1) hour prior to the start of each session. Officials interested in working the session should report to the hospitality room for the meeting.

Warm-up Procedures: Specific team lane assignments will be made for each session. All S.C.L.S.C. and USA Swimming safety guidelines will be enforced.

Contact Person: Lynn Williams Day 803-417-8982, Evening (after 9:00 pm) 803-547-4236, lmwilliams@comporium.net

Directions: From I-77 take Exit 82C Hwy 161 towards York. Hwy 161 (Celanese Road) will be six lanes wide at this point. Continue straight until it becomes 4 lanes. Turn left onto Rawlinson Road. Cross Hwy. 901 at the light. The pool will be almost immediately on the left.

Hotel**Information:**

Hotel information may be posted on www.swimrays.com

Order of Events:

2022 Rays Snowflake Invitational

December 9-11, 2022

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Order of Events

Friday, December 9, 2022

Warm-up 5:00 pm, Meet 6:00 pm

1-2 Open 200 IM
3-4 Open 1650 Free

**Odd Numbers - Girls
Even Number - Boys**

Saturday, December 10, 2022

Sunday, December 11, 2022

Warm-up 7:00 am, Timed Finals 8:15 am

5-6	13-Over 400 IM	37-38	13-Over 500 Free
7-8	13-Over 50 Free	39-40	13-Over 100 IM
9-10	13-Over 100 Fly	41-42	13-Over 200 Fly
11-12	13-Over 200 Free	43-44	13-Over 100 Free
13-14	13-Over 100 Back	45-46	13-Over 100 Breast
15-16	13-Over 200 Breast	47-48	13-Over 200 Back
17	13-Over 200 Mixed Free Relay	49	13-Over 200 Mixed Medley Relay

Saturday, December 10, 2022

Sunday, December 11, 2022

Warm-up not before 12:00 pm, Timed Finals not before 1:05 pm

19-20	12 & U 500 Free	51-52	12 & U 400 IM
21-22	12 & U 100 IM	53-54	12 & U 200 Free
23-24	12 & U 100 Free	55-56	12 & U 50 Fly
25-26	11-12 200 Fly	57-58	12 & U 100 Back
27-28	12 & U 100 Breast	59-60	12 & U 50 Free
29-30	12 & U 50 Back	61-62	12 & U 50 Breast
31-32	11-12 200 Back	63-64	11 -12 200 Breast
33-34	12 & U 100 Fly	65	12 & U 200 Mixed Medley Relay
35	12 & U 200 Mixed Free Relay		

*THERE WILL BE A BREAK AFTER THE 500 FREE AND 400 IM AND BEFORE THE RELAYS IF DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE MEET REFEREE.

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Total Number of Events _____ x \$4.00 per Event Entry Fee \$ _____
Total Number of Swimmers _____ x \$25.00 per Swimmer Facility Fee \$ _____
Total Number of Swimmers _____ x \$2.00 per Swimmer SCLSC Travel Fund/
Program Fee \$ _____
Total Number of Swimmers _____ x \$2.00 per Swimmer SCLSC Sport
Development Fee \$ _____
Total Number of out-of-LSC Swimmers _____ x \$2.00 per Swimmer
Additional out-of-SCLSC Travel Fund/Program Fee \$ _____
Total Fees: (checks payable to YMCA of Upper Palmetto) \$ _____

Team: _____ Team Code: _____

Head Coach: _____ Phone Number: _____

Head Coach Email Address: _____

Team Entry Contact Person _____

Team Entry Contact Person Phone Number _____

Team Entry Contact E-Mail Address _____ (results
will be sent to this address)

Number of Coaches at Meet: Fri: _____ Sat: _____ Sun: _____

I, the undersigned coach or team representative, verify that all the swimmers and coaches listed on the enclosed entry forms are registered with United States Swimming. A copy of our team's current USA Swimming roster is attached for verification purposes. It is understood and agreed that 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. It is further understood that South Carolina LSC, and YMCA of Upper Palmetto Rays shall be free and held harmless from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event. It is also understood and agreed that the YMCA of Upper Palmetto, YMCA of Upper Palmetto Timing, its agents, employees, and coaches shall be free from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event.

Signature/Title _____

Mail check for the above amount, and signed copy of this form to:
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Rock Hill, S.C. 29732