

# THE SHAKER SHARK INVITATIONAL

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THE SHAKER SHARKS  
DECEMBER 2 – 4, 2005

Held under USA Swimming Sanction LE510; Time Trials LE510S

## LOCATION:

Busbey Natatorium, Cleveland State University  
2451 Euclid Avenue (Euclid Avenue at East 24<sup>th</sup> Street)  
(216) 687-4882 CSU Pool Office

## POOL:

25 yards by 10 lanes, Colorado timing system and 10 lane digital readout scoreboard; Ample locker room space and balcony seating for spectators; Continuous warm-up and warm-down pool available in non-competitive end of the pool.

## STARTING TIMES:

**Friday night** warm-up will begin at 4:30 p.m., with the meet starting at 5:20 p.m.

### Saturday and Sunday:

Morning session (11 and overs) warm-up will be 7:30 – 8:15 a.m., with boys and girls combined. Competition will start at 8:20 a.m.

Afternoon warm-up (10 and unders) will begin 15 minutes after the conclusion of the morning session. Warm-ups will be 45 minutes with girls and boys combined. The meet will begin 50 minutes after the start of warm-ups. Afternoon start times will be posted on [www.lakeeriewimming.com](http://www.lakeeriewimming.com) and [www.shakerswimming.com](http://www.shakerswimming.com) websites by Wednesday, November 30, 2005.

### Saturday finals:

Warm-ups will not begin before 6:00 p.m. with the meet beginning 30 minutes after the start of warm-ups. Estimated start times will be posted on the [www.lakeeriewimming.com](http://www.lakeeriewimming.com) and [www.shakerswimming.com](http://www.shakerswimming.com) websites by Wednesday, November 30, 2005.

## ENTRY DEADLINE:

**Entries will NOT be accepted prior to November 7, 2005** so do not send before November 7, 2005. The due date for entries, electronic or otherwise, is Wednesday, November 23, 2005. The meet will be closed before the entry deadline if the sessions are estimated to be at four hours, so mail early. Hard copy, meet summary sheet and check must be received by Wednesday, November 23, 2005. Entries will be accepted and entered as they are received. **Hard copy and check must be received within 5 days of receipt of the electronic file. If hard copy and check are not received within 5 days and other arrangements have not been made, entries will be removed from the meet.** Phone entries will not be accepted. ONLY UNATTACHED SWIMMERS WILL BE ACCEPTED INDIVIDUALLY. Mail entries to: Shaker Swimming, Attention: Sarah Tobin, P.O. Box 201009, Shaker Heights, OH 44120 or [shakerswimming@msn.com](mailto:shakerswimming@msn.com).

## ENTRY FEES:

Individual events \$4.00; Relays: \$7.00; plus a \$2.00 per swimmer LESI surcharge. There is a \$1.00/swimmer handling fee for entries not received on disk. ONLY UNATTACHED SWIMMERS MAY ENTER INDIVIDUALLY. Make checks payable to *Shaker Swimming*.

## ENTRY LIMITATIONS:

Swimmers 11 & older may enter **3** individual events/day exclusive of relays and time trials on Sunday. Swimmers 11 & older may enter 3 individual events per day exclusive of relays on Saturday (time trial events count toward the daily event limitation on Saturday only). Swimmers 10 and under may compete in **4** individual events/day exclusive of relays and time trials on both Saturday and Sunday. Swimmers may compete in as many relays as needed per day. Age as of December 2, 2005.

## TIME TRIALS:

Time trials may be offered between the morning and afternoon sessions both Saturday and Sunday at the discretion of the meet director. Cost will be \$7.00 per individual event and \$14.00 per relay. Time trials (limit one per day per swimmer) **will not be** considered part of the 3 event per day rule on Sunday. 11 & older swimmers may only compete in 3 individual events per day including time trials on Saturday. Swimmers can sign-up for a time trial event in the deck entry office. They will be **limited** to swimmers entered in an individual event at the meet. Swimmers must sign-up for time trials by 10:30 a.m. on the day they wish to swim. The meet director reserves the right to limit the number of time trials.

## ELIGIBILITY:

Swimmers must be athlete members of USA Swimming and have met the time standard requirements. Coaches must be current coach members of USA Swimming and must display their coach membership cards on deck. Age is as of the first day of the meet, December 2, 2005.

### **DECK ENTRIES:**

Deck entries will be accepted on a space available basis only (post scratches) and will be seeded **at no time (NT)**. Deck entries will be closed 35 minutes before the start of each session. The cost of deck entries is \$7.00 per individual event and \$12.00 per relay. Exception: those swimmers closed out of distance events may, immediately after being notified, deck enter another available event at no cost in which they have a qualifying time. They will be seeded with a time, and will receive priority entry in entering these events or may choose to receive a refund. Switching events constitutes a deck entry. A swimmer must be in an individual event in order to be eligible to swim in a time trial event. Deck entry swimmers new to the meet must pay the \$2.00 surcharge and provide proof of USA Swimming membership. **NO on deck athlete or coach USA Swimming registration will be available. Non-athlete registration will be available.**

### **QUALIFYING TIMES:**

Please see event listings. Swimmers must be equal to or faster than the qualifying times listed. Swimmers should enter an event only if they have achieved the listed time standard for that event. All times are to be in yards. You may use a converted time by using Hy-Tek. Teams of swimmers who fail to achieve the qualifying time at the meet will receive a notice of those times that cannot be verified in the SWMS database. Teams shall submit proof of time or a fine of \$10.00 for each swim listed in the notice. Failure to resolve time verification issues within one week of receipt of notice shall result in debit to the team's account in the amount of the fine. Unattached swimmers will receive similar notice. Qualifying times for 50 yard/meter events will be waived for swimmers with a disability. Swimmers with a disability may enter an event (such as the 200 free) and swim a lesser yardage (100 free) provided his/her time for the lesser yardage event (100 free) is equal to or faster than the qualifying time for the longer yardage event (200 free).

### **ADAPTIVE SWIMMING:**

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:**

The meet will be conducted according to the rules set forth in the current USA Swimming Rules and Regulations. Events will be contested in a 25- yard course. Friday and Sunday events are timed finals. Saturday individual events for 11 and older will be prelim/final format except the 11 – 12 200 breast and the 13 & older 500 free will be timed finals. The top 10 swimmers (1 championship heat) will advance to finals. Heats may be limited in events 400 yards and over. Events may be consolidated, but scored separately, to help control the length of a session and to afford more swimmers the opportunity to participate. Swimmers closed out of these events will be notified and will be allowed to deck enter another available event of they have the qualifying time. They will be put ahead of the list and seeded with a time on a space-available basis, or a refund will be given. The Lake Erie scratch rule (attached) will be in effect.

### **SEEDING & CHECK IN:**

This meet is a deck-seeded meet. **Swimmers should check-in before warm-ups and must check in at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the session.** Failure to check in 30 minutes prior to the start of the session will constitute a scratch. Swimmers entered in the 1650 will have until 6:00 p.m. on Friday to check in for the 1650. All afternoon swimmers must report to the Clerk-of-Course when their event is on call. Morning swimmers – heat and lane assignments will be posted at the starting block end of the pool and at other announced locations

### **AWARDS:**

Individual Events: Medals for 1-3, ribbons 4 - 10

Relay Events: Medals 1 – 3, ribbons 4-10

The award ceremony for Saturday night finals will be as follows:

Events 15, 16, 17, 18 (awards ceremony)

Events 19, 20, 21, 22 (awards ceremony)

Events 23, 24, 25, 26 (awards ceremony)

Events 27, 28, 29, 30 (awards ceremony)

Events 31, 32, 33, 34 (awards ceremony)

**ADMISSION:** \$3.00 per day

**HEAT SHEETS:** \$3.00 per day

### **RESULTS:**

Will be posted on [www.lakeerieswimming.com](http://www.lakeerieswimming.com). Teams may request a backup at the conclusion of the meet.

**PARKING:**

CSU charges \$6.00 for event parking. Parking lots are available at the corner of Chester and E. 22<sup>nd</sup> Street or on Euclid Ave and E. 24<sup>th</sup> Street. Meter parking is free after 6:30 p.m. on Friday and all day Saturday and Sunday on Euclid and Chester Avenues.

**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. All entry into the pool for warm-up is feet first from the starting block end of the pool. There is no diving during warm-up, except in designated sprint lanes. The final 20 minutes of the 45 minute warm-up shall be conducted as follows:

- (a) Lanes 1 & 10 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 & 9 sprint lanes for racing starts from the starting block end of the pool, one length only and exiting the pool
- (c) Lanes 3-8 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. Continuous warm-up will be available.

**COACHES:**

Coaches' packets will be available in the deck entry office. If needed, coaches' meetings will be held.

**UNSUPERVISED SWIMMERS:**

Swimmers without coach supervision must contact the Meet Director or Meet Referee to be assigned to a coach on deck.

**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. No exceptions.

**CONCESSIONS:**

Concessions will be available throughout the meet. Smoking is prohibited in the building.

**MERCHANDISE:** Pannell Swim Shop will be the merchandise vendor.

**MEET DIRECTOR:** Sarah Tobin, (216) 295-4163  
[shakerswimming@msn.com](mailto:shakerswimming@msn.com)

**SAFETY DIRECTOR:** Yvonne Dixon  
[timothydixon58@hotmail.com](mailto:timothydixon58@hotmail.com)

**ENTRY PERSON:** Sarah Tobin, (216) 295-4163  
[shakerswimming@msn.com](mailto:shakerswimming@msn.com)

Please mail entries to: Shaker Swimming, Attn: Sarah Tobin, P.O. Box 201009, Shaker Heights, OH 44120

**DIRECTIONS:**

Take I-77 North, follow signs to I-90 east to E. 22<sup>nd</sup> street exit, follow E. 22<sup>nd</sup> north (left) to Euclid or Chester.  
From I-90 east or west, exit at Chester Ave, park on Chester or Euclid.  
From Ohio Turnpike, take I-77 or I-71 north to I-90 east (see above)

**PLEASE NOTE:**

Each swimmer must have a completed CSU waiver form on file at CSU. If you have swimmers that did not complete a CSU waiver form last year, please copy the enclosed form and send the completed sheets with your entry.

**We are grateful to Cleveland State University and Wally Morton for the opportunity to hold this meet in CSU's fine facility. We ask all participants and spectators to clear their area of litter and personal belongings after each session. Swim meet participants and spectators must remain in designated areas: the pool, the spectator area, the main lobby, and the locker rooms. Other areas of the physical education building are off limits. Note: NATATORIUM RULES FORBID "SHAVING DOWN" IN THE POOL OR LOCKER ROOM AREAS.**

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

*Friday Night - 4:30 Warm-Up, 5:20 meet start (Timed Finals)*  
*December 2, 2005*

All swimmers must be equal to or faster than the times listed

Girls #	Cutoff Time	Age Group/Stroke	Cutoff Time	Boys #
		<b>10 &amp; UNDER</b>		
9	8:33.99	500 free	8:33.99	10
		<b>11-12</b>		
1	3:04.99	200 IM	3:04.99	2
7	3:06.99	200 fly	3:06.99	8
11	7:10.99	500 free	7:10.99	12
		<b>13 – 14</b>		
3	6:12.99	400 IM	6:00.99	4
		<b>OPEN</b>		
5	6:06.99	400 IM	5:45.99	6
13	23:18.99	1650 free	22:35.99	14

*Saturday AM - 7:30 Warm-Up, 8:20 meet start (Prelims/Finals)*

*December 3, 2005*

All swimmers must be equal to or faster than the times listed

Girls #	Cut off Time	Age Group/Stroke	Cutoff Time	Boys #
		<b>11 - 12</b>		
15	1:15.99	100 free	1:15.99	16
19		50 breast		20
23	1:28.99	100 back	1:27.99	24
27		50 fly		28
31	1:26.99	100 IM	1:26.99	32
35	3:27.99	200 breast **	3:25.99	36
39		200 free relay		40
		<b>13 &amp; Older</b>		
17	2:36.99	200 free	2:30.99	18
21	3:15.99	200 breast	3:10.99	22
25	1:20.99	100 back	1:17.99	26
29	2:53.99	200 fly	2:48.99	30
33		50 free		34
		500 free **	6:43.99	41
		<b>Open</b>		
37		400 Med relay		38

\*\* Timed Finals – swim in morning session only

*Saturday PM – Warm-up times will be posted on lakeerieswimming.com and Shakerswimming.org by Wednesday, November 30, 2005.*

*Meet will begin 50 minutes after the start of warm-ups. (Timed Finals)*

*December 3, 2005*

Girls #	Cut off Time	Age Group/Stroke	Cut off Time	Boys #
		<b>8 &amp; Under</b>		
42	2:04.99	100 breast	2:04.99	43
46		25 fly		47
50		50 back		51
54		50 free		55
58	2:02.99	100 fly	2:02.99	59
62		25 back		63
66		200 free relay		67
		<b>9 – 10</b>		
44	3:20.99	200 free	3:13.99	45
52		50 back		53
56	1:59.99	100 breast	1:58.99	57
60		50 free		61
64	1:57.99	100 fly	1:57.99	65
		<b>10 &amp; Under</b>		
48	1:45.99	100 IM	1:43.99	49
68		200 free relay		69

**Order of events for finals:**

15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34

*Sunday AM - 7:30 Warm-Up, 8:20 meet start (Timed Finals)*

*December 4, 2005*

All swimmers must be equal to or faster than the times listed

Girls #	Cut off Time	Age Group/Stroke	Cut off Time	Boys #
		<b>11 – 12</b>		
70		200 Med Relay		71
74	2:43.99	200 free	2:43.99	75
78		50 back		79
82	1:36.99	100 breast	1:36.99	83
86	1:27.99	100 fly	1:27.99	87
90		50 free		91
94	3:03.99	200 back	3:03.99	95
98		400 Free Relay		99
		<b>13 &amp; Older</b>		
76	2:56.99	200 IM	2:49.99	77
80	1:30.99	100 breast	1:26.99	81
84	1:19.99	100 fly	1:15.99	85
88	1:12.99	100 free	1:09.99	89
92	2:51.99	200 back	2:46.99	93
100	6:51.99	500 free		
		<b>Open</b>		
72		200 Med Relay		72
96		400 Free Relay		97

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*Meet will begin 50 minutes after the start of warm-ups. (Timed Finals)*

*December 4, 2005*

Girls #	Cut off Time	Age Group/Stroke	Cut off Time	Boys #
		<b>8 &amp; Under</b>		
101	1:36.99	100 free	1:36.99	102
105		50 breast		106
109		25 free		110
113	1:50.99	100 back	1:50.99	114
117		25 breast		118
121		50 fly		122
125		200 Med Relay		126
		<b>9 – 10</b>		
103	1:31.99	100 free	1:31.99	104
107		50 breast		108
111	1:45.99	100 back	1:45.99	112
115		50 fly		116
119	3:42.99	200 IM	3:42.99	120
		<b>10 &amp; Under</b>		
123		200 Med Relay		124

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Meet Entry Summary Page

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

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

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_ (total # of swimmers) X \$2.00 (LESI Surcharge) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (total # of individual events) X \$4.00/event = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (total # of relay events) X \$7.00/relay entry = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (total # of swimmers) X \$1.00 (handling fee if entry not on disk) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

- Swimmers will be without a coach on deck:  Fri. pm,  Sat. am,  Sat. pm,  Sun. am,  Sun pm.  
 I have arranged for my swimmer/s to be supervised by \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A coach will be present during the meet

Please indicate how many coaches will be attending: \_\_\_\_\_

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 SHAKER SHARKS and mail to: SHAKER SWIMMING, ATTN: SARAH TOBIN, P.O. BOX 201009, SHAKER HEIGHTS, OH 44120. **Please note:** All entries submitted with this sheet should be covered by a single check. Kindly do not send multiple checks with a single entry form. **Entries will not be accepted prior to Monday, November 7, 2005. DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT IS November 23, 2005.** This sheet must accompany all entries, including HY-TEK Meet Manager disk entries. Hard copy and check must be received within 5 days of receipt of the electronic file. If hard copy and check are not received within 5 days, entries will be removed from the meet until the hard copy and check are received.

**Cleveland State University**  
**Release and Waiver of Liability**

As consideration for my participation in the \_\_\_\_\_, (the "event") I hereby for myself, family, heirs, executors, administrators and assigns waive, release and forever discharge Cleveland State University and its Board of Trustees, officers, employees and agents from any and all liabilities, demands, claims, damages, losses, costs (including attorney's fees), actions and causes of action arising out of or in connection with my participation in the above listed event and/or the use of Cleveland State University facilities, furnishings, or equipment during this event, except to the extent such liabilities, demands, claims, damages, losses, costs (excluding attorney's fees), actions and causes of action are attributable to the negligent actions of Cleveland State University or its Trustees, officers, employees, or agents while acting within the course of their employment, as set forth in Ohio Revised Code Section 2743.02. I also acknowledge that Cleveland State University and its Trustees, officers, employees and agents assume no responsibility for any bodily injury, death, loss, illness or accident to myself or others or damage to personal property which may arise out of my participation in this event.

I fully understand and hereby acknowledge that participation in this event involves many risks, including the risks of serious bodily injury and death. In consideration of being allowed to participate in the event listed above, I voluntarily accept and assume all responsibility for and risk of such personal injury arising from such participation.

I understand that any University personnel or agents participating in this event are not necessarily medically trained to care for any physical or medical problems that may occur during this event. I release all such personnel from any claim whatsoever on account of first aid or service rendered to me during my participation in this event.

By placing my signature below, I acknowledge that I have adequate medical and hospitalization insurance for any injuries that I may incur as a result of participating in this event. I attest and verify that I am 18 years of age or older, that I have had a recent physical examination and that I have no known health problems or conditions that could prevent me from successfully participating in this activity.

**IF APPLICANT IS LESS THAN 18 YEARS OF AGE, THE PARENT'S CONSENT, RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY ON THE BACK OF THIS FORM MUST ALSO BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Participant's Name (Please print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Participant's Phone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Participant's Address

I have read and fully understand the entire **RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY** and my signature below confirms my full understanding and voluntary acceptance of such **RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY**.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Participant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



# WARM-UP PROCEDURES

## SHAKER SHARKS INVITATIONAL

Lake Erie Swimming Safety Guidelines and Warm-up procedures will be in effect for this meet. Swimmers shall not warm-up without being supervised by a current USA Swimming coach. Swimmers not accompanied by a coach shall see the Meet Safety Director for assignment to a USA Swimming coach who will supervise their warm-ups.

Courtesy, common sense, and safety are the basic tenets under which warm-ups are to be conducted. Persons not abiding by the warm-up procedures may be banned for the remainder of the warm-up session by the Meet Safety Director with the concurrence of the Meet Referee and his/her designee.

In general warm-ups and for the backstroke starts during specific warm-ups, swimmers are to enter the water feet first, stepping, not jumping or diving, into the pool from the start end. Faster swimmers have the right-of-way and are permitted to pass during general or continuous warm-ups. If swimmers need to stop for a rest for an extended period of time, they should exit the pool so as not to cause congestion and impede other swimmers' ability to achieve a proper warm-up. Swimmers should exit from either end of their lanes. However, they may cross lanes at the pool ends to exit at the sides if necessary.

Use of paddles and swim fins is not permitted.

The competition pool and the non-competition end of the pool will not be open for warm-up during the break between sessions. The non-competitive end of the pool will be available for warm-up and warm-down throughout the meet. Swimmers are to enter the non-competition end of the pool feet first at all times.

General warm-up for the first 25 minutes with circle swimming in all ten lanes. The final 20 minutes of the 45 minute warm-up shall be conducted as follows:

- (a) Lanes 1 & 10 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 & 9 sprint lanes for racing starts from the starting block end of the pool, one length only and exiting the pool
- (c) Lanes 3-8 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.

Pace lane swimmers start in the water at the starting block end and swim under the supervision of their coaches.

The meet warm-up plan will be posted throughout the pool area and will be included in the coach's packet.

NOTE: During competition, backstrokers will be expected to step, not jump or dive, into the pool upon the starter's instruction.

The non-competition is not to be used for recreational activities. It is for warm-up and warm-down only. Coaches are expected to make this clear to their swimmers. Swimmers who do not abide by these guidelines will not be permitted to use the facility.

# **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 prior to the race in which the swimmer/relay team is entered. Any swimmer/relay team not reporting for or competing in a timed final event or in a preliminary heat when finals are scheduled 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 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, except as noted in "Exceptions for Failure to Compete" (below).
  - (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.
- C. Scratching from Consolation Finals and Finals
  - (1) Any swimmer qualifying for a consolation final or final race in an individual event who fails to compete in said consolation final or 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 shall be fined twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) by LESI.
  - (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) The Referee determines that failure to compete is caused by circumstances beyond the control of the swimmer.
  - (4) It is determined by the Referee that there were no alternates for the consolation final or final race in which the swimmer failed to compete, and that the swimmer's failure to compete did not affect any other swimmer's ability to compete in the consolation final or final race.



