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2025 CIAC GIRLS SWIMMING AND DIVING INFORMATION

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IMPORTANT DATES

First Practice Date	August 18, 2025
Date of First Contest	September 2, 2025
Last Date to Count	November 1, 2025
Date All Entry Information Due by 12:00 p.m.	November 3, 2025
Corrections can be made to Entries by Coaches by 4:00 p.m.	November 3, 2025
Diving Proof Sheets Emailed to Mike Huffman by 4:00 p.m.	November 3, 2025
Class Diving	November 5, 6, 2025
Qualifying Meets	November 7, 8, 2025
Class Championships	November 11, 12, 2025
Open Diving	November 13, 2025
Open Championship	November 16, 2025

**(All Championship Dates Are Tentative)**

Appendix A      Conversion Factors  
Appendix B      Certifications / Coaching Certifications

## 2025 CIAC GIRLS SWIMMING AND DIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS

### 1.0 ALERTS

- 1.1 **New!** There is a new entry process using the CIAC website. Read the directions in this packet carefully. Entries are due by 12:00 Noon on Monday, November 3, 2025. Coaches will receive a confirming email. Coaches may make changes to their entries by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, November 3, 2025. After that any changes will incur a fine.
- 1.2 Coaches should bring proof of swimming entry times to the swimming trials. The proof may be requested at the discretion of the meet referee or meet committee.
- 1.3 Due to instances at both the state meet and dual meets where a coach and diver have signed a dive sheet which lists dive(s) that the diver cannot perform safely and could ultimately put the diver at a safety risk, the following rule is being added and applies to both the regular season and postseason meets. It is fully understood that divers will attempt new dives at meets, this is not intended to be enforced on every failed dive, only when the officials believe that there is a clear inability on the part of the diver to perform the dive safely.
  - This rule applies to regular season and post season meets.
  - Diving coaches must bring ALL diving sheets from all previous regular season and post season meets to ALL CIAC regular season and post season competitions.
  - In alignment with the by-laws regarding disqualifications by the diving referee, and in alignment with the safety of divers being the highest priority, if the dives listed on the diver's scoresheet are too difficult for the diver to perform safely, or, in the judgment of the officials, the diver did not make a sincere attempt to perform a dive, then the following process will be followed:
    - 1) The referee will confer with coach and diver upon disqualification, at which point the coach may provide the season's diving sheets to demonstrate clear and consistent proficiency.
    - 2) If, in the judgment of the officials, there is a lack of evidence that the diver can perform the dive, the diver is disqualified from the meet. Failure to demonstrate such will result in ejection and will be at the sole discretion of the officials after speaking with coach and athlete.
    - 3) The official will notify the CIAC of the ejection.
    - 4) The associated school Athletic Director from which the diver attends will be notified by the CIAC.
- 1.4 At CIAC state meets, coaches will be prohibited from being in the area directly behind the starting blocks without approval from the officials.
- 1.5 **New!** Late entries will be fined \$50 per student. Late entries will be seeded at the discretion of the CIAC.. Email any late entries and corrections to Joe Velardi, [jvelardi@casciac.org](mailto:jvelardi@casciac.org), the meet director listed in this packet, Scott Butler the tournament director at [Redxox98@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Redxox98@sbcglobal.net) **AND** [Support@fpsports.org](mailto:Support@fpsports.org). (\*Email late entries and corrections to **all four email addresses**)
- 1.6 **New!** Diving proof sheets must be emailed to Mike Huffman by the date and time due under "Important Dates." Diving proof sheets are no longer accepted by fax. Diving proof sheets are no longer accepted by email to the CIAC.
- 1.7 **New!** Backstroke ledges will be allowed for CIAC regular season meets beginning with the 2026 Fall season. Leagues can use them or not beginning in the Fall of 2026. Backstroke ledges will only be used in state trials and finals beginning in 2026 only if the pool has the required depth, **AND** only if they can be used in **ALL** the divisional championships. Backstroke ledges will be used in the Open beginning in the Fall of 2026 only if they are available at the site and only if the pool dimensions are within the rule.

2.0 **REGULAR SEASON**

- 2.1 **Schedules** – All schedules must be submitted to the CIAC in the arbiter by the first contest date as listed under “Important Dates.”
- 2.1.1 Schools cannot add meets after the first contest date listed under “Important Dates.”
- 2.1.2 All scheduled meets must be completed unless permission to cancel a meet is granted by the CIAC.
- 2.2 **Scrimmages** – Teams must have a minimum of three (3) days of practice before any interscholastic activity. All sports teams and individual athletes must have a minimum of ten (10) physical/exertional practice days with their school before the date of the first scheduled competition. No team/athlete shall practice/compete with their school more than six (6) consecutive days to provide a day of rest. Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays may be used unless prohibited by local board policy. Sunday practices may be counted to fulfill the 10-day requirement.
- 2.3 **Students with Special Needs** – Coaches are reminded to inform contest officials prior to each competition of any student with special needs who could be competing in the contest when his/her disability could impact the individual’s performance or the conduct of the competition.
- 2.4 No warm down laps are permitted when the pool has lane(s) available for that purpose.
- 2.5 Weekly limitations – Teams may schedule three (3) contests in a week three times during the regular season.
- 2.6 **Sportsmanship** – Member schools are expected to conduct their relations with each other at all levels of competition in a spirit of good sportsmanship. Everyone involved has the obligation to see clearly his/her influence and act accordingly. The CIAC acknowledges that the school administration is responsible for the athletic program, including the making of broad and specific policies and procedures relating to sportsmanship and the conduct of activities in the school. To that end, the CIAC urges each school principal to adopt the following sportsmanship procedures and standards for their school and to champion the “Class Act” sportsmanship program as these standards will be used in all CIAC post-season contests.

**CIAC Sportsmanship Guidelines** -- The CIAC Standards for sportsmanship as defined in the Class Act program are found at [http://ciacsports.com/site/?page\\_id=10438](http://ciacsports.com/site/?page_id=10438)

- 2.7 **Coach Ejection** – All coaches who are disqualified at any level will be suspended for the next two games (see page 91 in the CIAC Handbook), take two NFHS coaching courses (“Teaching and Modeling Behavior” and “Sportsmanship”) and the school will pay a \$50 fine. In addition to the two-game suspension and fine, the CIAC reserves the right to review any incident that results in a coach’s disqualification and may assess additional game suspensions up to and including a one-year ban. The fine and proof of taking the coaching courses must be submitted to the CIAC office before the coach can resume his coaching responsibilities.

**Coach Ejection** – When a member school’s coach is ejected from a meet for an infraction as prescribed by the rules, the school may not continue until the member school replaces the ejected coach with a certified coach. If this cannot be accomplished within 15 minutes after the ejection, the official in charge will declare the school disqualified.

Coaches who are ejected from a meet may not coach for the next two meets.

- 2.8 **Participation in “Outside” Meets** – Swimmers of member schools may participate as “unattached” individuals (not representing the school or outside team), in a maximum of four (4) “outside” meets

Per season (AAU, U.S., Boys and Girls Clubs, YMCA, etc). Choice of such outside meets to be made by swimmers with approval of the swimmer's school administration. Present weekly swimming limitations will be maintained, one of which may be one of the four allowable "outside" meets.

- 2.9 **Qualifying Times** – Only scores and times that are achieved in CIAC regular season, or in CIAC league championship meets can be used to enter swimmers or divers in the CIAC Championships. Scores and times achieved in practice, preseason, scrimmages, outside events, or beyond the season limit for girls swimming are not allowed.

2.10 **Voluntary Dives**

Week of September 2-14	Forward
Week of September 15-21	Back
Week of September 22-28	Inward
Week of September 29 – October 5	Twist
Week of October 6-12	Reverse
Week of October 13-19	Forward
Week of October 20-26	Back
Week of October 27 – November 2	Inward

3.0 **2025-26 NATIONAL FEDERATION SWIMMING RULE CHANGES**

- 2-1, 2-7-2b, 2-7-3, 8-1-2** – Permits the use of backstroke starting ledges if approved with state association adoption, in pools with a minimum of 6 feet (1.84 meters) water depth measured from the starting end through 16 feet 5 inches (5 meters) from the end wall.

**Rationale:** The permissive nature of the proposal allows for the use of the backstroke ledge in situations where it is both safe and practical. The proposed rule ensures that pools with the required depth can benefit from this technology without creating barriers for those that may not be able to accommodate the equipment..

- 8-3-4a** – Clarifies the foot placement for relay participants starting from the deck. One foot must be positioned at the edge of the deck, and ancillary movement of the back foot is permitted, prior to the start.

**Rationale:** The rule provision prohibits swimmers using deck starts from performing a running start.

**2025-26 Swimming and Diving Editorial Changes**

2-7-7 Penalty, 3-3-3 Penalties, 3-3-3a, 3-3-3b, 3-3-4 Penalties, 6-3-3, 8-2-1c, 9-7-2, State Association Adoption Chart

**2025-26 Swimming and Diving Points of Emphasis**

1. Backstroke Ledge Education
2. Viability of High School Diving and Importance of Education

## 4.0 **RULES FOR QUALIFYING FOR THE STATE MEETS**

- 4.1 **Number of Events Per Swimmer** – Coaches may submit swimmers/divers in a maximum of two individual events. Any swimmer/diver entered in an individual event that does not make the top 36 seeding in an event will be allowed to swim in up to three relay events. If a swimmer does make the top 36 seeds then they may not compete in more than two relays at Trials, Finals or Open.
- 4.2 **Alternates** – There will be two alternates for each Qualifying Meet, Divisional Championship Meet and Open Championship Meet. At the qualifying meet the heats will not be reseeded when alternates are added.
- 4.3 **Divers Qualifying** – For safety reasons, divers may not compete unless they have met the minimum six or minimum 11 dive score. The signature of the coach and diver certifies that the diver can perform all the dives listed on the diving entry score sheet and confirms the accuracy of the entry score sheet submitted.
- 4.4 **Proof of Swimming Times** – Coaches must bring proof of the submitted swimming qualifying times to the swimming trials. The meet referee or meet committee may request this proof at these meets.
- 4.5 **Qualifying for Divisional Meet** – The best twenty-four (24) performances in each swimming event at the Trials will qualify for Divisional Championships. In Divisional Championships all heats are locked.
- 4.6 **Open Championships** – The best twenty-four (24) performances in each event from the Divisional Championships combined will qualify for the Open Championship Meet. Any of the twenty-four (24) finalists can advance in the finals. (Alternates will be added when vacancies exist due to scratches or declared false starts.)
- 4.7 **Open Diving Championships** – In diving the twenty-four (24) top divers plus any divers in the top three (3) of each Divisional Championships not already included in the top twenty-four (24) will automatically qualify for the state Open Championship Meet.

## 5.0 **ENTRY PROCEDURES**

- 5.1 Scores and times achieved in CIAC regular season events, as listed on the original schedule submitted to the CIAC at the start of the season, can be submitted for entry.
- 5.2 Scores and times achieved in CIAC league championships can be submitted for entry.
- 5.3 No other scores and times are permissible.
  - 5.3.1 Scores and times achieved unattached or in non-CIAC competition cannot be submitted for entry.
  - 5.3.2 Scores and times achieved in practice or in scrimmages cannot be submitted for entry.
- 5.4 Coaches are responsible for having the names of all swimmers that potentially could swim on a relay, on the school entry form.
- 5.5 **New! Entry Form** – Entry form must be submitted on the CIAC website at <https://ciac.fpsports.org/> by 12:00 p.m. on Monday, November 3, 2025.
  - Schools may put their entries on at any time before the deadline and do not have to wait until the deadline.

- To complete the entry click “Eligibility Center” in the left column
- Then click “Swimming Entry Form”
- Click each swimmer that you wish to be part of the meet, include relay swimmers who are not entered into individual events.
- Enter diving and diving scores, then enter the dive list
- Upon completing your entries click “Save”

Once you click “Save” you will get an automatic email with all your entries. Check it immediately. You will have until 4:00 p.m. to make corrections on your own. After that it will require contacting the CIAC, FusionPoint support, and your meet director to make corrections.

Anyone not listed cannot compete. Email any late entries and corrections to:

- Joe Velardi – [jvelardi@casciac.org](mailto:jvelardi@casciac.org)
- The tournament director Scott Butler – [Redsox98@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Redsox98@sbcglobal.net)
- The meet director listed in this packet, and
- [Support@fpsports.org](mailto:Support@fpsports.org)

\*Email late entries and corrections to **all four** email addresses.

- 5.6 Late entries will be fined \$50 per student. Late entries will be seeded in the first heat.
- 5.7 **Seeding and Event Sheet** – The seeding and event sheet must be presented before entries become official. It must indicate what events each swimmer is entered in and the seeding time and date for each event or highest score for diving. It must also insure that no swimmer is in more than two (2) individual events. (Diving is an individual event.) No swimmer may actually swim in more than four (4) events, no more than two of which may be individual events. No more than three (3) of which may be relay events.
- Trials, finals and Open are considered one meet. Only names on the seeding and event sheet may compete. All names on the entry form must comply with the rules and regulations of the CIAC.
- 5.8 **Diving Entries** – All diving entries must be submitted with the swim entries on the same form on the CIAC website by 12:00 p.m. on Monday, November 3, 2025.
- **The diving proof forms must be emailed to Mike Huffman at [mhuffman99@gmail.com](mailto:mhuffman99@gmail.com) by Monday, November 3, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.**
  - Confer with National Federation rule 9-4-1 for order of dives and DD requirement.
  - The diving entry form must have a minimum 10.8 DD for the six optional dives
- 5.9 **Names on Relays** – Names of the four competing swimmers, designating the lead-off swimmer, must be on a 3 x 5 card and turned in at the start of the specific relay event. (Prior to the first heat.) An individual does not become a relay participant until they swim in the event.
- 5.10 **CIAC Late Entry Policy** – Late entries will be fined \$50 per student. Late entries will be seeded at the discretion of the CIAC. Email any late entries and corrections to Joe Velardi – [jvelardi@casciac.org](mailto:jvelardi@casciac.org), the meet director listed in this packet, and [Support@fpsports.org](mailto:Support@fpsports.org). (\*Email late entries and corrections to all three email addresses.)
- 5.11 It is recommended that coaches advise their student-athletes to take SAT or ACT tests that are not in conflict with the CIAC swim championships.

## **TOURNAMENT RULES AND PROCEDURES**

- 6.1 Coaches should bring proof of swimming entry times to the swimming trials. The proof may be requested at the discretion of the meet referee or meet committee.
- 6.2 At CIAC state meets, coaches will be prohibited from being in the area directly behind the starting blocks without approval from the officials.
- 6.3 **Photography and Video Recording** – Meet management has the full authority to restrict any and all photography and visual recording at the meet. Photography or video recording (using cameras, video cameras, iPads, cell phones, etc.) from the deck is prohibited by all individuals other than participating coach and athlete members unless prior authorization from the meet referee or his/her designee has been granted. Flash photography is prohibited during the start of any heat, including whenever any swimmer is stepping up or standing on a block for the purpose of the start of a heat.

Additionally, the following “non-camera zones” shall be enforced:

- Photography or video recording and the use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms.
- Photography or video recording (using cameras, video cameras, iPads, cell phones, etc.) is not permitted in the area immediately behind the starting blocks at either end of the racing course(s) while they are in use for “race starting purposes” during competition and warm-ups.
- Additional “non-camera zones” may be designated by meet management.

Any individual failing to abide by these rules may be ejected from the facility.

- 6.4 There will be a five-minute break after the 200 Medley Relay, the 500 Freestyle, the 200 Freestyle Relay, and the 100 Breaststroke at all trials, finals and open meets. This is in addition to the 15-minute break after the 50 Freestyle. The pool is open during swim breaks.
- 6.5 **Rules** – All meets shall be governed by the National Federation Swimming and Diving Rules. (Exceptions – State Open Meet where participants are not locked into heats and scoring system for Divisional Finals and Open.)
- 6.6 **Coaches** – An individual or team may not compete in the championships unless accompanied by the coach or an authorized certified coach as noted on the principal’s or his/her designee’s written authorization. (The written authorization must be presented to the meet director upon arrival.) This rule applies to diving and swimming trials, finals and Open.
- 6.7 **Trials, Finals, Open One Meet** – The championships are one (1) meet from the trials through the Open meet. A declared false start may be taken during trials, finals or Open. A competitor does not gain further eligibility once they have competed at any level of competition (Rule 3-2-1). A competitor who declares a false start is considered to have participated in that event for the duration of the championship meets.
- 6.8 **Declared False Starts** – Declared false starts are permitted in Trials, Finals and Open. The event will be reseeded at finals and open but at trials the alternate will be placed in the lane and heat of the swimmer that scratched or declared a false start. When possible, meet directors should be advised prior to the seed meeting that a swimmer, diver or relay will not compete in order to enter alternates at Finals and Open.
- 6.9 **CIAC Swimming Committee** – The decision of the CIAC Swimming Committee relative to the operation of the championships shall be final.

- 6.10 **Ineligible Competitor** – When it is discovered that an ineligible competitor participates in a CIAC individual type tournament / meet / match, the competitor will be disqualified from the competition and his/her last opponent will advance in his/her place. Teammates of the ineligible competitor remain in the competition and score points for their team. Team points earned by the ineligible competitor will be subtracted from the team's total score. If the ineligible swimmer is part of a relay, that relay team is disqualified and their points are subtracted from the team's total score. Team rankings will be readjusted if warranted. Opponents eliminated prior to the last competition may not re-enter the tournament. This applies to the following CIAC sports: swimming, wrestling, indoor track, outdoor track, tennis, cross country and golf.
- 6.11 **Coach Ejection** – When a member school's coach is ejected from a meet for an infraction as prescribed by the rules, the school may not continue until the member school replaces the ejected coach with a certified coach. If this cannot be accomplished within 15 minutes after the ejection, the official in charge will declare the school disqualified.
- Coaches who are ejected from a meet are not allowed to coach for the next two meets.
- 6.12 **Coaches Meeting** – At least one coach from each school must attend the coaches meeting which will be held 30 minutes before the scheduled start of the meet for **swimming and diving**.
- 6.13 **Warm-up Procedure for All CIAC Tournament Meets** – Teams will be assigned by the meet director to specific lanes at specific times depending on the number of participants in the meet and the number of lanes available. Every attempt will be made to follow the National Federation guidelines for warm-ups.
- 6.14 **Swim Down** – There will be one length of swim down after each heat of an event during all tournament meet trials, finals and Open except that there will be no swim down after the 50 free and relays. **No warm down laps permitted when pool has lane(s) available for that purpose.**
- 6.15 **Shaving Down** – Shaving down at the meet sites is prohibited during regular season meets and CIAC championship meets. Violators will be disqualified from the meet. Application of substances to the body is never to be done on the pool deck. Meet directors will designate the only area where such substances may be applied. Substances applied must be dry before swimmer may leave the application area.
- 6.16 **Inclement Weather** – In case of inclement weather check the CIAC web site – [www.ciacsports.com](http://www.ciacsports.com) – to find out if the event has been postponed.
- 6.17 **Designated Areas** – Coaches and athletes entered in the meet are to remain in the area designated for them by meet management or referee. Violators are subject to disqualification or ejection. This rule will be rigidly enforced.
- 6.18 **Swim-Offs** – When swim-offs are needed the National Federation rules will be followed. **Swim-offs must be completed the day of trials.**
- 6.19 **Open Diving** – In diving the twenty-four (24) top divers plus any divers in the top three (3) of each divisional championships not already included in the top twenty-four (24) will automatically qualify for the state Open championship meet.
- 6.20 **Starting Wedges** - At finals, starting wedges may not be used unless they are available at all final sites. At trials they may be used.

## 7.0 ENTRY FEES AND ADMISSION FEES

7.1 **Entry Fee** - \$100 per team, plus \$10 per entry (including relays) to a maximum of \$250 made payable to CIAC.

7.2 **Admission Fee** - Diving Meets, Qualifying Meets, Championship Finals, Open Meet \*\*

- Free – Children five (5) and under
- Free – Military in uniform or with I.D.
- \$5.00 - Students (grades 1-12 and Senior Citizens (age 65 and older)
- \$10.00 – Adults (all others not in the above categories)

**\*\*All ticket sales for CIAC tournament games will be sold and redeemed via digital ticketing.** All tournament tickets are purchased online at casciac.org.

7.3 **Passes** – During the championships only the following passes will be honored at each site.

- Principal and/or Athletic Director (or designee) of participating schools with identification
- Press Card
- CIAC swimming officials **ONLY** membership card

7.4 **Tickets for Team Members** – Team members not participating in a meet (trials, finals or Open) must pay an admission fee. Team members participating in the trials will be admitted at no charge for finals and the Open.

7.5 **Supervision** – Team coaches (limit of three), athletic director and administrative personnel assigned to supervisory responsibilities will be allowed free admission.

## 8.0 SCORING AND AWARDS

8.1 **Scoring – Divisional and Open Championships** – At the divisional championships there will be three (3) heats of eight (8) swimmers in the finals. Swimmers will be “locked” in their heats for the divisional finals. Relay points are double the individual points awarded. At the Open Championships the top 24 individual finishers may move up or down the 24 places.

1 <sup>st</sup> place – 30 points	9 <sup>th</sup> place – 19 points	17 <sup>th</sup> place – 9 points
2 <sup>nd</sup> place – 27 points	10 <sup>th</sup> place – 17 points	18 <sup>th</sup> place – 7 points
3 <sup>rd</sup> place – 26 points	11 <sup>th</sup> place – 16 points	19 <sup>th</sup> place – 6 points
4 <sup>th</sup> place – 25 points	12 <sup>th</sup> place – 15 points	20 <sup>th</sup> place – 5 points
5 <sup>th</sup> place – 24 points	13 <sup>th</sup> place – 14 points	21 <sup>st</sup> place – 4 points
6 <sup>th</sup> place – 23 points	14 <sup>th</sup> place – 13 points	22 <sup>nd</sup> place – 3 points
7 <sup>th</sup> place – 22 points	15 <sup>th</sup> place – 12 points	23 <sup>rd</sup> place – 2 points
8 <sup>th</sup> place – 21 points	16 <sup>th</sup> place – 11 points	24 <sup>th</sup> place – 1 point

8.2 **Awards**

a. **Divisional Championship Meets** – Medals awarded for first six (6) places

b. **Open Meet** – Medals awarded for first six (6) places.

c. **Team Award** – CIAC plaques will be given to each Divisional and Open Meet champion and runner-up.

## 9.0 **OFFICIALS**

- 9.1 The officials' assigner will provide the listing of officials one week prior to the meet director.
- 9.2 **Meet Directors** – Meet directors are responsible for assigning timers, scorers and computer operators, etc., in accordance with the number and types listed in the most current CIAC handbook.
- 9.3 **Meet Committee** – A meet committee and a meet director shall assume responsibility for all aspects of meet management. The meet committee shall make decisions on matters not specifically covered by the rules or on the misapplication of a rule during the meet. Judgment calls are not subject to review by the committee. The decision of the meet committee is final. The meet director shall create a committee comprised of at least three coaches that will comprise the meet committee.
- 9.4 **Timers** – In a meet where six lanes are used every team with a 400 yd. free relay team must supply a qualified timer for the entire meet. In a meet where eight lanes are used each team with three relays competing must supply a second qualified timer for the entire meet. The qualified timers with a watch must report 15 minutes before the scheduled start of the meet. The meet director may assign teams to a specific lane.
- 9.5 **CIAC Rules Interpreter** – Questions on swimming or diving rules should be referred to the CIAC rules interpreter – Mike Huffman, [mhuffman99@gmail.com](mailto:mhuffman99@gmail.com) – (860) 539-9895.

## 10.0 **PROTESTS**

- 10.1 **Tournament** – On the eve of a tournament when there is not sufficient time for normal administrative procedures and Board of Control hearings, if a question of interpretation of tournament regulations or the operation of the tournament arises, the Chairman of the CIAC Board of Control, the Executive Director of the CIAC and the Chairman of the Tournament Committee in question, in consultation with the CIAC swimming/diving interpreter will make an appropriate ad hoc decision in consideration of the best interest of the tournament as a whole.
- 10.2 **Decisions by Game Officials** – Protests arising from judgment calls by officials during the contests will not be allowed. Protests arising from misinterpretation or misapplication of the National Federation or CIAC rules by officials or others will be considered. The record of the official scorekeeper at the conclusion of the contest is final unless an administrative error is discovered. Such errors will be corrected as covered by specific contest rules.

## 11.0 **DIVISIONS**

- 11.1 **Placement** - Only institutional members of the Conference may enter the tournament which will be in four divisions. Placement of schools has been based on the 2024-25 girl enrollment in grades 9-12.

LL – 720 and over

L – 599-719

M – 392-598

S – Up to 391

Note: Collaborative teams will be automatically placed into their respective divisions. If you have a team and are not listed or if you have a team listed and no longer compete in girls swimming, please notify the central office.

## 12.0 **QUALIFYING STANDARDS**

- 12.1 **CIAC Member Schools** – In order to qualify, individuals must be members of a team which has had a minimum of four (4) dual meets with CIAC member schools and in addition must meet the following

minimum standards. The last date to count is Saturday, November 1, 2025. All times indicated on entry forms must show times to the hundredths of a second and be times from CIAC or National Federation sanctioned meets. **The number of entries per school per event must be in accordance with National Federation Rules.**

12.2	<u>Automatic Qualifying Times</u>	<u>LL</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>S</u>
200 yd. Medley Relay			Automatic		
200 yd. Freestyle	2:11.99	2:09.99	2:15.99	2:17.99	
200 yd. I.M.	2:36.99	2:27.99	2:39.99	2:42.99	
50 yd. Freestyle	27.19	27.14	27.74	28.49	
Diving -- All Divisions:	Minimum 6 dive score of 160 and D.D. of 8.8 on 5 optional dives Minimum 11 dive score of 240 and D.D. of 10.8 on 6 optional dives				
100 yd. Butterfly	1:12.99	1:07.49	1:11.49	1:15.99	
100 yd. Freestyle	59.99	59.74	1:02.99	1:04.99	
500 yd. Freestyle	6:01.99	5:53.99	6:09.99	6:19.99	
200 yd. Freestyle Relay		Automatic			
100 yd. Backstroke	1:09.99	1:08.49	1:13.99	1:13.99	
100 yd. Breaststroke	1:22.99	1:18.99	1:22.99	1:26.99	
400 yd. Freestyle Relay		Automatic			

Coaches may submit swimmers in a maximum of two individual events. Any swimmer entered in an individual event that does not make the top 36 seeding will be allowed to swim in up to three relay events.

12.3 **Relays** – Each team is allowed one entry in each relay event without regard to qualifying time.

12.4 **Swimmers that Do Not Meet Automatic Qualifying Time** – Coaches should submit four swimmers with times for each event including times that do not make the automatic qualifying times. Swimmers will be added after the automatic qualifiers until the 36<sup>th</sup> time is reached. The top 36 times in each swimming event qualify to swim at Trials including any ties for 36<sup>th</sup> place. Only those in the top 36 will be charged an entry fee.

### **13.0 DATES / SITES / TIMES / MEET DIRECTORS**

**\*\* ALL DATES AND TIMES OF MEETS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE**

<u>Event</u>	<u>Trials/Finals</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Date / Site</u>	<u>Warm-up</u>	<u>Start</u>	<u>Meet Director</u>
Diving	Trials/Finals	S	Wednesday, November 5, 2025 Sheehan High School, Wallingford	4:00 pm	5:30 pm	Dan Wostbrock
Diving	Trials/Finals	M	Thursday, November 6, 2025 Sheehan High School, Wallingford	4:00 pm	5:30 pm	Dan Wostbrock
Diving	Trials/Finals	L	Wednesday, November 5, 2025 Middletown High School	4:00 pm	5:30 pm	Trevor Charles
Diving	Trials/Finals	LL	Thursday, November 6, 2025 Middletown High School	4:00 pm	5:30 pm	Trevor Charles
Diving	Trials/Finals	Open	Thursday, November 13, 2025 Middletown High School	4:00 pm	5:30 p.m.	Trevor Charles

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Swim	Trials	S	Friday, November 7, 2025 Cornerstone		11:00 a.m. 12:15 p.m.	Scott Butler
Swim	Trials	M	Saturday, November 8, 2025 Cornerstone		11:00 a.m. 12:15 p.m.	Erica Fangiullo
Swim	Trials	L	Friday, November 7, 2025 Cornerstone		4:15 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	John Smachetti
Swim	Trials	LL	Saturday, November 8, 2025 Cornerstone		4:15 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	Rick Lewis
Swim	Finals	S	Tuesday, November 11, 2025 Cornerstone	5:00 p.m.	6:00 p.m.	Scott Butler
Swim	Finals	M	Wednesday, November 12, 2025 Cornerstone	5:00 p.m.	6:00 p.m.	Erica Fangiullo
Swim	Finals	L	Tuesday, November 11, 2025 Cornerstone	12:00 p.m.	1:00 p.m.	John Smachetti
Swim	Finals	LL	Wednesday, November 12, 2025 Cornerstone	12:00 p.m.	1:00 p.m.	Rick Lewis
Swim	Finals	Open	Sunday, November 16, 2025 Yale University	11:00 am	1:00 pm	Rick Lewis

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## CIAC TOURNAMENT SPECTATOR EXPECTATIONS (INCLUDING PARENTS)

### **Positive Cheering and Behavior**

- Spectators will cheer positively to support their team, not negatively against the opponent. “No Negatives, No Names, No Numbers”.
- Spectators will show respect for the game officials and their decisions.
- Spectators will respect CIAC tournament/site directors, tournament staff, and security when behavior is addressed and if asked to leave the event.

### **Dress Code**

- For CIAC tournament contests, all spectators should be appropriately attired according to their school’s policy. No attire with visible degrading or demeaning writings/logos is permitted.

### **Signs, Banners, Flags and Powder**

- Any signs must be positive in nature, reference only the school supported by the sign maker, be small enough not to obstruct the view of other spectators and be pre-approved by the school’s athletic director reference in the sign. Spectators are not permitted to bring flags for safety reasons. When asked to remove a sign, banner, or flag, participating schools will respect and follow the direction of any CIAC tournament/site director, tournament staff, or security personnel.
- All signs, banners and flags may be restricted pending facility usage requirements or at the discretion of the CIAC tournament director. CIAC tournament directors/staff will notify the athletic director when such restrictions are necessary.
- Powder or powder-like substances are prohibited at all visiting and neutral sites.

### **Noisemakers**

- Outdoor Sports – No air horns, horns of any kind, or whistles will be used. Any other noisemakers may be allowed with approval from the host athletic/site director and the spectator’s school athletic director. Noisemakers can only be used during “dead ball” situations to celebrate good play.
- Indoor Sports – No noisemakers will be allowed. Pep bands are allowable with the prior approval of the CIAC tournament and site director, provided the school band has adult supervision, and the band only plays during “dead ball” situations.

### **Tailgating**

- Tailgating is prohibited on the grounds of any CIAC tournament or championship event.

### **Streaming**

- CIAC championships are streamed on the NFHS Network. Any streaming, broadcasting, or reproduction of a CIAC tournament game or championship without the expressed written consent of the CIAC is strictly prohibited.

## APPENDIX A

### 25 YARD / METER AND 25 METER / YARD CONVERSION FACTORS

#### MEN

	<u>Yard/Meter</u>	<u>Meter/Yard</u>
200 yd. Medley Relay	1.115	0.8969
200 yd. Freestyle	1.108	0.9025
200 yd. Ind. Medley	1.111	0.9001
50 yd. Freestyle	1.119	0.8937
100 yd. Butterfly	1.114	0.8977
100 yd. Freestyle	1.111	0.9001
500 yd. / 400m Freestyle	0.8780	1.1391
500 yd. / 500m Freestyle	1.100	0.9091
200 yd. Free Relay	1.116	0.8961
100 yd. Backstroke	1.111	0.9001
100 yd. Breaststroke	1.110	0.9009
400 yd. Freestyle Relay	1.114	0.8977

#### WOMEN

200 yd. Medley Relay	1.116	0.8961
200 yd. Freestyle	1.108	0.9025
200 yd. Ind. Medley	1.110	0.9009
50 yd. Freestyle	1.115	0.8969
100 yd. Butterfly	1.111	0.9001
100 yd. Freestyle	1.112	0.8993
500 yd. / 400m Freestyle	0.877	1.140
500 yd. / 500m Freestyle	1.100	0.9091
200 yd. Free Relay	1.117	0.8953
100 yd. Backstroke	1.111	0.9001
100 yd. Breaststroke	1.112	0.8993
400 yd. Freestyle Relay	1.114	0.8977

## APPENDIX B

### CERTIFICATIONS / COACHING CERTIFICATIONS

For a list of all coaching certifications and links to forms go here:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1KnzXy81GK9x88bY1-5JSuP-8SY34sdc/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=104830910406558409235&rtpof=true&sd=true>

#### Volunteer Coaches

The state of Connecticut Department of Education does not distinguish between volunteer or paid coaches when considering certifications or responsibilities. All coaches who are responsible for, or instruct students in any way must follow Connecticut State Law for certifications and responsibilities. Therefore, volunteer coaches are required to obtain the same certifications as all other coaches.