

Friday Night Lights Invitational Meet
Hosted by ATOM
April 19, 2024
Held at Mecklenburg County Aquatic Center
800 E. Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, Charlotte NC 28202

Held under the Sanction of USA Swimming, Inc., issued by North Carolina Swimming, Inc.
Sanction #NC24097

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**FACILITY and
HOST TEAM
REQUIREMENTS**

ATOM has discussed specific health and safety procedures with the venue management. At this time, the facility and ATOM have no additional requirements. Compliance with the most current guidelines from USA Swimming, North Carolina Swimming, CDC, State and Local jurisdictions will be maintained throughout the duration of the meet.

FACILITY

The competition pool is an 8-lane, 50 meter course featuring nine-foot-wide lanes separated by non-turbulent lane lines, Paragon starting blocks and a minimum pool depth of six feet. A Colorado Electronic Timing System and an 8-lane scoreboard will be used. There will be at least one stopwatch and one button utilized per lane in addition to the automatic timing system. Prior to each session of competition, the facility host shall examine the bulkhead and shall confirm to the Meet Referee that the bulkhead is stable, straight, and properly positioned and anchored. ATOM will ensure the required competition course dimensions. Warm-up and warm-down lanes will be available.

MEET FORMAT

This is a timed final Age Group/Senior, pre-seeded meet unless otherwise indicated. All events are mixed gender.

Session	Day	Warm-up	Meet Start	Age Group
1	Friday	5:00 p.m.	5:50 p.m.	open

DEADLINE AND MEETING SUMMARY:

Day, Date	Time	For:
Wednesday, April 10, 2024	11:59 PM	Entry deadline
Friday, April 19, 2024	5:15 p.m.	Officials Meeting
Friday, April 19, 2024	5:20 p.m.	Timer Meeting

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.

TECHNICAL SUIT BAN for 12&Us

Per USA Swimming Rule 102.8.1F, 12 & Under athletes may not compete in Technical Suits at this meet.

A Technical Suit is one that has the following components:

- Any male or female suit with bonded or taped seams regardless of fabric or silhouette; or
- Any male or female suit with woven fabric extending to the knee or mid-thigh regardless of the seam type.

MAAPP

All adults participating in or associated with the meet acknowledge that they are subject to the provisions of the USA Swimming Minor Athlete Abuse Protection Policy ("MAAPP"), and that they understand that compliance with MAAPP is a condition of participation in the conduct of this competition.

SAFE SPORT

The NCS Safety Program is in effect for this meet. Coaches are advised to closely supervise their swimmers at all times. Swimmers may be dropped off only in designated safe areas. Swimmers are not permitted in work out rooms, storage rooms, meeting rooms, or control rooms. No glass containers or bottles are allowed inside the facility at any time. Anyone failing to comply with a safety request may forfeit his or her privilege to participate. We strongly recommend each team assign a marshal to monitor warm-up sessions and locker rooms in addition to host team marshal.

Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms, locker rooms, or behind the starting blocks. Flash photography of any kind is prohibited at the start of a race.

Deck changes are prohibited.

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 without the use of a backstroke ledge.

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. It is also the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's guardian to request assignment from the Meet Director to a USA Swimming member coach attending the meet if a coach from the swimmer's team is unable to attend.

Unless approved in writing in advance of the competition by the Program and Events Committee Chair or designee, operation of a drone, or any other flying apparatus, is prohibited over the venue (pools, spectator areas, and open ceiling locker rooms) any time athletes, coaches, officials, and/or spectators are present.

Only swimmers, properly certified officials, and coaches, and meet volunteers will be allowed on deck. No spectators will be allowed on deck at any time.

ELIGIBILITY

All swimmers must be registered with USA Swimming, Inc and members of ATOM, LIFE, LOY, SAIL or TEAM. All Adult Athletes must hold current APT certification to compete. Swimmers must be registered prior to the entry deadline. Entries listed as "Registration Applied For" will not be accepted.

MEMBERS WITH DISABILITIES OR MEDICAL CONDITIONS

ATOM 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 ATOM's ability to accommodate all requests.

ENTRIES

Submit entries in Team Manager by email to Shaynah Jerrell (coachshaynah@gmail.com). List swimmer's age as of April 19, 2024. There will be no "on deck" registration available at the meet. Only properly completed entry forms with payment of all fees will be accepted.

ENTRY LIMITATIONS

Swimmers may enter up to 3 individual events. Meet management reserves the right to limit heats/events to allow the meet to run in the allotted time.

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 the date and time listed in the Deadline and Meeting Summary. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Meet Referee. Late entries will be charged double entry fees and will not be seeded. There will be no on deck entries.

ENTRY FEES

Make checks payable to: ATOM; All fees are non-refundable	
Individual Event	\$6.00 per event
Facility Surcharge	\$15 per swimmer
Travel Fund	\$3 per swimmer
Electronic Heat Sheet	\$5 per swimmer
Late Entry Fee	Double the IE and relay fees listed

Checks payable to: **“ATOM”**
Mail Checks to: **Shaynah Jerrell, 1310 Charter Pl, Charlotte NC, 28211**

SEEDING The conforming time standard for this meet is long course meters. No NT will be allowed. Swimmers will be seeded and swim from fastest to slowest unless otherwise indicated.

SCRATCHES There will be no penalty for scratching pre-seeded events at the block

SCORING No team or individual scoring will be kept.

AWARDS No awards will be given

RESULTS 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 such by prominently displaying their registration card or be prepared to show their Deck Pass virtual membership card upon request. There will be a coach/general meeting at the date and time listed in the Deadline and Meeting Summary. 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. **ATOM** welcomes and encourages anyone willing to volunteer. Volunteering Officials should contact the Meet Referee by email **prior to the meet**. All officials on deck must be registered and certified with USA Swimming. Certification will be verified by Meet Referee the day before the meet/session. There will be a meeting at the day(s)/time(s) listed in the “Deadline and Meeting Summary” above. Meetings may be in-person at the meet or virtual in advance and assignments may be communicated electronically prior to each session. All officials are strongly encouraged to complete an individual personal review of applicable USAS rules prior to the meet. Officials should report at the time specified by the Meet Referee and bring a mask (if necessary) and a writing utensil.

**HOSPITALITY/
CONCESSIONS** There will be a hospitality area open to all coaches and officials. Concessions will not be provided.

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 Marshal 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. There is to be no diving or horseplay in this area.

WAIVER/RELEASE

As a team entered in this meet, upon entry you are verifying that all of the swimmers and coaches listed on the enclosed entry are registered with USA Swimming. You acknowledge that you are familiar with the Safety Rules of USA Swimming, Inc. and North Carolina Swimming, Inc. regarding warm-up procedures and meet safety guidelines, and that you shall be responsible for the compliance of your swimmers with those rules during this meet. ATOM, MCAC, 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. You acknowledge that by entering this meet, you are granting permission for the names of any or all of your 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.

IMAGE RELEASE

All participants agree to be filmed and photographed by the host club approved photographer(s) and videographers 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 KTAC site 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 meet.

ORDER OF EVENTS

Friday April 19, 2024

Warm-up: 5:00 p.m.; Meet Start: 5:50 p.m.

Mixed	
Event #	Event Description
1	200 IM
2	50 Free
3	100 Breast
5	50 Breast
6	100 free
7	50 back
8	100 back
9	50 fly
10	100 fly
11	200 Free

**ATOM Friday Night Lights
Summary of Fees/Release Form**

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

Shaynah Jerrell, 1310 Charter Pl, Charlotte NC, 28211

Team Name	
Club Code	
Coach	
Coach Phone	
Coach Email	
Team Address	

Item	Total Number	Cost per	Total
Individual Entries		\$6.00 per event	
(Travel Fund, Facility, Heat Sheet Surcharge)		\$23.00 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. ATOM, MCAC, 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