

2013 YMCA Short Course Nationals



Spectators Information

The upper level spectator stands are reserved for spectators. We would ask that any swimmer or coach wanting to visit with a parent, relative or family friend to meet in the Special Events Center next door to the Aquatic Center.

Conversely, the pool level is off limits to spectators. Spectators will not be allowed on the pool deck.

- Handicapped seating is available in specially designated areas within the spectator seating area.
- Folding chairs are not permitted in the spectator seating area or on the pool deck.
- No outside food, drink, thermos or cooler is permitted in spectator seating area. Concessions will be available.
- Camcorder operators' equipment will not be permitted to take up seats in the spectator area except for the front two rows which will be occupied by meet video operations and the Gate Guys.
- Spectators are asked to refrain from standing in the walkways or aisles so that they do not block seated spectators views.

Our Meet Surveys continue to indicate that many respondents are upset with all of the seats being saved before the start of Preliminaries. For many teams and individuals, there is a tradition of sitting together during our National Meets. We believe that many life-long friendships are greatly enhanced by this experience, and that this is an important part of our parents' Nationals experience. However, our Meet Surveys lead us to believe that we need seat saving procedures for those parents sitting in the grandstand.

Accordingly, at 7:45 each morning of competition, our announcer will ask everyone saving a seat to remove whatever they are using to do this. Then, those saving seats will be asked to either move in or out so that someone else may sit in the spot that was being saved. The Gate Guys will help us in this endeavor. However, they are not part of the complex's formal security. We are hopeful that our parents and friends will help us make all of these problems go away without our having to ask for help from the Complex's personnel.

We encourage everyone attending to view the pool map and Conference Center map on our website. This should help everyone attending the venue to become more familiar with the complex. There is more than enough seating for our parents, relatives and friends attending the meet. Please notice that each of the competition pools has additional seating on their respective sides. For those unable to attend, USA Swimming will be providing video streaming during the meet