

# YMCA National Swimming Championship

## Volunteer Photographer Application (all information is required)

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Team: \_\_\_\_\_ Athlete (s): \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to athlete(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Your email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Your coach's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Your coach's email address: \_\_\_\_\_

At this meet, 12 volunteer photographers will be accepted – 3 per day for each of the 5 days of the meet. Each photographer will be assigned to a full day and should be available to cover swimming, time trials, finals, and team awards on the final day. If you are available for a full day, please assign a preference number to the days below.

Assignments will be given on a first received, first assigned basis.

Day 1` \_\_\_\_\_ Day 2 \_\_\_\_\_ Day 3 \_\_\_\_\_ Day 4 \_\_\_\_\_ Day 5 \_\_\_\_\_

In addition, photographs of the following are needed if you have the time. This will be in addition to your assigned day.

Activity	Date	Yes
Pre-Meet Registration – photographs of both swimming and diving coach and athlete registration process	Day 1	
Athlete Welcome Party	Day 1	

The deadline to submit an application is Friday, before the championship starts or until all days have been filled. Emails will be sent to your coach verifying that you may be allowed on the deck during the meet. Please be sure that your coach replies to that email. Applicants without a coach's reply will unfortunately not be allowed.

Please read the guidelines on the 2<sup>nd</sup> page of this application.

Please initial here that you have read and agree to abide by the requests and instructions specified:

Initials \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you so much for volunteering to do this!

Email this completed application to: Karen Ferrara [Ragtym\\_n@verizon.net](mailto:Ragtym_n@verizon.net)

## Volunteer Photographer Instructions

- You must register at one of the Meet Registration sessions to receive your credentials before you will be allowed on the pool deck.
- We are looking for photographs that tell the story of what happens before and during the meet.
- Please only be on deck during your assigned day
- Please plan on working the entire day. This will include morning warm-ups, athlete and spectator entrances, prelims, time trials, and finals including all award ceremonies. On the last day of the meet, this will also include working through the Team Awards following finals.
- Most of all – be considerate of officials, coaches, athletes, parents, other photographers – everyone
- No flash photography on starts – possible during competition. You need to listen to the announcer or check with the help desk
- Three photographers will be assigned to each day. There will be a daily 8:00 a.m. Photographers Meeting in the Technology Room (Computer room) for the photographers assigned for that day. You will meet the other photographers assigned to that day and be given any additional instructions. Please coordinate with the other photographers to make sure that everything is being covered.

We need photos of everything going on at the events: meet

- Pre-meet events such as registration
- Swimming and Athletes' Welcome Party
- Coaches
- ALL Devotions before Prelims
- Officials
- ALL Devotions and National Anthem
- Spectators performance before Finals
- Vendors
- ALL Color Guard and Water Banner
- Hospitality swimmers before Finals
- Officials' Meetings
- Award presentations
- Give a broad picture of what's
- Any special speakers who have presented during the meet.

When your session is over, bring your camera or memory card to the computer room so we can download your photos. We will pick the photos that will be used on the website.

- **All photos may be used by YMCA of the USA as they need.**
- **Photographs taken may not be sold**
- **Photographs may only be taken in public areas. Any area where there is an expectation of privacy is off limits to photography.**

Thank you so much for doing this and I hope you have fun!

Karen Ferrara

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