

## IMPORTANT 2021 NORTHEAST DISTRICT DI AND DII COACHES' CHECK IN INSTRUCTIONS

Prior to arrival at Spire on Friday, February 19, 2021, for DII competition or Saturday, February 20, 2021, for DI competition, please follow the listed procedures.

1. Check school chart on [www.nedab.org](http://www.nedab.org) for athlete and coach wristband information for both DII and DI schools which will be available no later than Monday, February 15, 2021 at noon.
2. Once you have checked the athlete and coach wristband information which has been posted, contact Pam Cook at [pamswim@aol.com](mailto:pamswim@aol.com) if the information is incorrect. **Note: This must be done by 6:00 pm on Thursday, February 18.**
3. ONE head coach wristband will be issued to each school in each session. If a coach has swimmers in both sessions, he will receive a wristband for each session. One assistant coach may be permitted access if it is determined there is space for additional coaches. Nonetheless, ONLY ONE assistant coach per team may be permitted if a team has over 6 swimmers.
4. **Coaches' Reminder: RELAY ONLY** admission will be issued to a swimmer **ONLY IF HE/SHE WILL BE SWIMMING** on a relay. This swimmer **MUST be entered as a relay member on the team relay sheet submitted either electronically or in person on deck**. You **MUST also email the swimmer's name to Pam Cook**. **NO OTHER ALTERNATES** will be permitted on deck due to facility deck restrictions.

### Relay cards

1. Relay sheets will be available on the NEDAB.org website. Follow the instructions to enter your relays either electronically or in person.
2. Completed relay sheets will be due to the computer operator the night before each competition day or on deck 45 minutes before the start of competition. Check the instructions included on the relay sheet.
3. Please complete the card with up to 8 relay swimmers who are eligible from your eligibility form and by tournament event eligibility.
4. Indicate if there is a "relay only" swimmer who is listed on your relay.
5. No new swimmer can be added to the competing relay once the relay names have been turned in to the computer operator and the names have been recorded.
6. Number your 4 relay swimmers in the order that they will be swimming. You may change the order at the block but you must have your swimmers inform the timer of the change prior to the start of their race.

### Meet Protocol from the Referee

1. Swimmers must report to the block in a timely manner with their mask in place until commanded to step up on the block.
2. Whistle protocol will be in place. A series of whistle tweets to prepare to swim and a long whistle tweet to step up on the block for a forward start or to enter the water for a backstroke start will be the protocol.
3. Special starts: Notify the meet manager before Friday if a swimmer with a disability needs accommodations for the start. The meet referee will be notified by the meet manager.
4. Notify the referee with a doctor's note, not a copy, for a swimmer wearing kinesio tape.
5. False starts:
  - a. Individual events: Dual confirmation is required. For example, the starter will initiate a possible false start call by marking his/her heat sheet and approach the referee. If there is a match, a false start will be called.
  - b. Relay events: Dual confirmation is required. For example, two officials will be on the sides of the pool judging five lanes. Officials will watch the feet leave the blocks and then look for the touch hand at the wall.
6. Meet starters will be consistent throughout each session.
7. Only one suit may be worn during competition. Suit logos must conform to the regulations with regard to the size and number of logos permitted.
8. Each swimmer may have only one counter for the 500.
9. Missing an event in a championship meet will result in disqualification from the rest of the meet. If a swimmer is not swimming a scheduled event, the coach must notify the referee for a "Declared False Start" prior to the race to avoid disqualification of the swimmer for the rest of the meet.
10. DQ's will be noted on a DQ slip and coaches and/or swimmers will be informed of the infraction.
11. If a swim-off is required, the referee will handle the swim off format and schedule. Swim off events by NFHS rules must be swum off in meet order. Swim offs are required up to 12<sup>th</sup> place.

### Important Additional Information:

1. There will be NO awards presentation this year.
2. **NO** athletes not entered in the meet will be permitted on deck.
3. Streaming of the meet will be available on a pay per view basis. Information will be posted when available.
4. Banners may be hung on the wall with painters' tape or duct tape only.
5. We are guests of Spire Institute, and we must clean up our area on deck.
6. There will be no chairs permitted along the pool edge. Coaches may stand to watch their swimmers compete and then move aside for other coaches who will then be able to watch their swimmers. Please make sure to be at the required social distance of 6 feet from another coach when standing at the edge of the pool. Please be considerate of your coaching colleagues.
7. **NO** rub-downs are permitted in the facility.
8. **NO** shaving is permitted at Spire. Automatic disqualification will result if an athlete is found shaving.
9. **NO** glass bottles/containers of any type are allowed on the pool deck.
10. **NO** noise makers (horns, bells, whistles, sirens, drums, etc,) will be allowed at the meet.

### IMPORTANT COACH INFORMATION:

1. The State meet ticket process will be different. Information when available will be posted on the NEDAB.org or ohsaa.org site.
2. Results will be available on the [www.OHSAA.org](http://www.OHSAA.org) and the [www.NEDAB.org](http://www.NEDAB.org) websites.
3. All-America forms are available on-line at the NISCA website.
4. Awards will be gathered and given to the coach of the team to pass out to his athletes who place in the top 8.
5. TM result files will be posted on the Lake Erie website after the State meet. Text results will also be posted.
6. Please be sure to follow Spire swim meet protocol and COVID safety measures for entry into the facility prior to accessing the pool deck. This information is posted on the NEDAB.org website.