

Handicapped/Elderly Accessibility



Your meet announcement should state:

Whether handicapped accessibility is available or not available at the swim meet location. Handicapped accessibility means a no step entrance to pool deck or spectator seating.

If available, state whether on the pool deck, spectator area or both and the best route of entry. Make sure the entryway is unlocked and clear of obstacles. If you don't know the best route of entry for accessibility contact facility director. If best route of entry is only through women's or men locker rooms state this so spectators can plan accordingly.

If elevator is needed to access pool deck or spectator seating, please note its location. If a key is absolutely necessary for its use state who will have the key and have this readily available.

If unisex handicapped bathrooms are available, make sure they are unlocked and functional.

See Connecticut Swimming, Inc. policy about spectators with disabilities who need handicapped accessibility. It is published in the meet manager's guide and on <http://ctswim.org> under Policy and Procedure.

Get in the habit of thinking about accessibility. We have athletes, family members, and friends with disabilities in our swimming community.