

2021 Eastern Zone March Sectional Championships Christiansburg, VA

There was extensive discussion among the Technical Committee surrounding the format and structure of the EZ 2021 Winter Sectional Meet to be hosted in Christiansburg, VA. The Ithaca and Buffalo Sectional Meets have been cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions. In order to maximize competitive opportunities to athlete members of the Eastern Zone, and to meet all COVID-19 protocols in the State of Virginia, the following were **MSA** (Motioned, seconded and approved) for the 2021 EZ Super Sectional March Meet:

MSA TWO THREE DAY MEETS provided there is sufficient interest:

Meet A: Friday March 26 – Sunday March 28 2 Sessions Friday, 3 Saturday, 3 Sunday Meet B: Tuesday March 23 - Thursday March 25 3 Sessions Tuesday, 2 Wednesday, 3 Thursday

- MSA TIMED FINALS ONLY
- MSA NO RELAYS
- MSA TIME TRIALS: TBD once meets close

MSA MEET STANDARDS: USA Swimming's MAX Sectional Standards

MSA BONUS STRUCTURES: Make 1 Swim 4, Make 2 Swim 4, Make 3 Swim 4, Make 4 or more no bonus

MSA NO BONUS STANDARDS: (Must have 1000 to bonus the 1650 and vice versa)

MSA ENTRY QUALIFICATION WINDOW: 11/1/18 through meet entry deadline

MSA MEET CLOSED TO EASTERN ZONE REGISTERED ATHLETES

A Meet Announcement and order of events will be forthcoming.

OME will be set up for the Friday – Sunday meet, March $26^{th} - 28^{th}$. Payment for entries will be by check only. Once the athlete cap is met (based upon the date and time entries are submitted), the second meet will be created and all teams will be notified as to their status for the meet. Teams that don't "make the cut" for the first meet will be contacted as verify their interest in participating in the Tuesday – Thursday meet, March $23^{rd} - 25^{th}$. If they choose to participate on those days, the entries already submitted through OME will be automatically entered into the meet. Again, acceptance into the Tuesday – Thursday meet will be based upon the date and time entries were originally submitted.

<u>All teams planning to come to the meet should enter the Friday – Sunday meet</u>. If the number of entries is sufficient to warrant a second meet at the beginning of that week, teams can specify their preference of meet, either Friday – Sunday or Tuesday - Thursday.