

To: Club Contacts; Coaches; Officials; and Volunteers

From: CT Swimming Office

Please make note of the following important items. A PDF of this email is attached.

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As a reminder, LC Season is a defined time period, generally held during the spring and summer, where meets of any course (LCM, SCM, and SCY) are sanctioned. Traditionally the LC Season dates have been April through August. For LC Season 2021, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the dates will be May 24 through August 31, 2021.

Highlights of the planned season are as follows:

- Covid Era restrictions remain in effect for LC Season 2021. All Connecticut Swimming competition must conform to local, state, and federal public health guidelines.
- In order to give teams as much flexibility as possible, CT Swimming will continue to accept applications for meet sanctions up to 21 days before the start of the meet. This mirrors the procedure used during the Return to Competition season.
- **Since this meet bid methodology results in meets being added to the schedule on a near-daily basis, teams are strongly encouraged to keep a close eye on both [What's New](#) and [Upcoming Meets on the CSI webpage](#).** While we will make every effort to get sanction applications approved and posted quickly, there will be no overall schedule of LC Season 2021 meets published.
- **Turnaround times for meet entry will be very tight.**
- Please see the [Meet Management](#) page for allowable meet types and other details for hosts submitting applications for meet sanction.
- [Championship meets](#) are currently in the planning stages, with this **preliminary** calendar:
 - Senior Championship July 8-11, 2021 at Cheshire Community Pool, hosted by Cheshire Sea Dogs. Course will be LCM.
 - Regional Championship July 16-18, 2021 at various locations. Course (SCY or LCM) to be determined, no 2021 meets required for entry.
 - Age Group Championship July 22-25, 2021 at Cheshire Community Pool. Hosted by Connecticut Swimming. Course (SCY or LCM) to be determined, no 2021 meets required for entry.

- 10/Under Age Group Championship, July 30 – August 1, 2021 at a location to be determined. Course (SCY or LCM) to be determined, no 2021 meets required for entry.
- As always, the CT Swimming office is happy to assist with your questions, but we strongly encourage you to read the pages linked above in their entirety first – you are quite likely to get your answer faster that way!

Junior Coach Representative Election

Coaches: Cast your vote for the [Junior Coach Representative](#) to serve on the Board of Directors. Coaches have until **Friday, May 14, 2021** to cast a ballot. Ballots will be cast securely through each coach's My Account.

Junior Athlete Representative Nomination Deadline

Nominations for Junior Athlete Representative to serve a 2-year term on the Board of Directors representing Connecticut Swimming (CSI) athletes are being accepted. The deadline to submit a nomination is **TODAY May 6, 2021**. The online election will be held May 8-15, 2021. Athletes must be 13 or older to cast a vote.

Zone Team Attending Eastern Zone Age Group Championship

At the May 3rd Special Meeting of the Board of Directors, it was decided that CT Swimming will send a Zone Team to the Eastern Zone Age Group Championship, **August 4-7, 2021 at the Collegiate School Aquatic Center, Richmond, VA (hosted by Virginia Swimming)**. Due to the Covid-19 health crises, the Zone Team athletes will be responsible for their own transportation and accommodations. Further information will be posted on the [Zone Team](#) page when available. Zone Coordinator: [John Scaldini](#)

House of Delegates Annual Meeting Rescheduled for June 15

House of Delegates (Annual Meeting) is rescheduled for **Tuesday, June 15, 2021, 7:30 pm**, at [Meriden YMCA Mountain Mist Outdoor Center](#). Special thanks to Coach Cathy Lewis for making arrangements. The meeting will be held in-person (outdoors and abiding by Meriden YMCA and Department of Health guidelines) and by video stream for those clubs that wish to attend virtually.

- **Until further notice, this meeting is required for any club wishing to receive a meet sanction/approval for the 2021-2022 Short Course season.**

Board of Directors Meeting Scheduled for May 18

The Board of Directors meeting has been scheduled for May 18, 7:30 pm. An agenda and meeting location/video conference will be posted on What's New and emailed to all clubs and coaches in advance of the meeting. The goal is to facilitate communication between the Board and its membership. Membership is also encouraged to attend CSI Committee meetings. **Non-Board members have a "voice" at the discretion of General Chair Rick Lewis.** Non-Board members cannot vote.

Club Survey Reminder

If you haven't done so already, please assist the Board with planning by completing this [survey](#).