

## **2021 Return to Competition**

### **Meriden Silver Fins Intra-squad RTC**

**Meet Type: Intrasquad**

**April, 10, 2021**

220 Coe Avenue, Meriden, CT 06451

**This meet information is subject to change given the fluid nature of COVID-19. Be aware that CDC, State of CT, and local jurisdiction guidelines or public health actions may change quickly and without warning. Visit [ctswim.org](http://ctswim.org) or the host website for any updates.**

Held under sanction of USA Swimming and Connecticut Swimming, Inc. #RTC21- 42. In granting this sanction it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming and Connecticut Swimming, Inc. shall be free and held harmless from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event.

#### **COVID-19 Statement**

In applying for this sanction, the Host, Meriden Silver Fins, agrees to comply and to enforce all health and safety mandates and guidelines of USA Swimming, Connecticut Swimming, the State of Connecticut and, <https://www.meridenct.gov/>

#### **COVID-19 Assumption of Risk Disclaimer**

We, Meriden Silver Fins, have taken enhanced health and safety measures – for athletes, coaches, officials, volunteers, and meet management. You must follow all instructions while participating in/spectating at Meriden Silver Fins Intra-squad RTC or on site at OH Platt High School. An inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. COVID-19 is an extremely contagious disease that can lead to severe illness and death. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, senior citizens and guests with underlying medical conditions are especially vulnerable. By participating in/spectating at Meriden Silver Fins Intra-squad RTC and being on site at OH Platt High School, you voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19.

#### **COVID-19 Release**

An inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. COVID-19 is an extremely contagious disease that can lead to severe illness and death. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, senior citizens and individuals with underlying medical conditions are especially vulnerable.

USA Swimming, Inc., cannot prevent you (or your child(ren)) from becoming exposed to, contracting, or spreading COVID-19 while participating in USA Swimming sanctioned events. It is not possible to prevent against the presence of the disease. Therefore, if you choose to participate in a USA Swimming sanctioned event, you may be exposing yourself to and/or increasing your risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19.

BY ATTENDING OR PARTICIPATING IN THIS COMPETITION, YOU VOLUNTARILY ASSUME ALL RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH EXPOSURE TO COVID-19 AND FOREVER RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS USA SWIMMING AND CONNECTICUT SWIMMING AND EACH OF THEIR OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES OR OTHER REPRESENTATIVES FROM ANY LIABILITY OR CLAIMS INCLUDING FOR PERSONAL INJURIES, DEATH, DISEASE OR PROPERTY

LOSSES, OR ANY OTHER LOSS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO CLAIMS OF NEGLIGENCE AND GIVE UP ANY CLAIMS YOU MAY HAVE TO SEEK DAMAGES, WHETHER KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, FORESEEN OR UNFORESEEN, IN CONNECTION WITH EXPOSURE, INFECTION, AND/OR SPREAD OF COVID-19 RELATED TO PARTICIPATION IN THIS COMPETITION.

**WAIVER:** All participants and spectators must sign the Waiver of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement found on the last page of this meet announcement. Waivers will be signed and collected up until the day before the first day of competition.

## EVENTS

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Email</b>	<b>Phone</b>
<b>Meet Director:</b>	Taylor Reck	meridensilverfinsct@gmail.com	860-818-2514
<b>Meet Referee:</b>	Bill Hawkins	willishawkins@comcast.net	
<b>Lead Admin Official:</b>	Stephanie Searles	Stephanie0103@aol.com	203-379-6699
<b>Entry Chair:</b>	Taylor Reck	meridensilverfinsct@gmail.com	860-818-2514
<b>Safety Chair:</b>	Missy Connolly	melissaconnolly@yahoo.com	
<b>Officials Contact:</b>	Taylor Reck	meridensilverfinsct@gmail.com	860-818-2514

**MEET HOST:** Fins

**WEBSITE:** [www.meridensilverfins.com](http://www.meridensilverfins.com)

**POOL EMERGENCY NUMBER:** 203-235-7963

**RETURN TO COMPETITION SANCTIONED OR APPROVED:** Sanctioned

**MEET TYPE:** Closed

**MEET DURATION:** Full meet with time limits as defined by CT/USA Swimming.

**MEET FORMAT:** The meet will be swum as Timed-Final

**SCRATCH PROCEDURES:** No scratches will be taken. The meet will be pre-seeded.

**NO DECK ENTRIES WILL BE ALLOWED**

**BEFORE ENTERING FACILITY or WHAT TO BRING:** Swimmers will arrive in their swim suits wearing masks at all times when not swimming. Swimmers will enter from the side door adjacent to the track field and receive a Temperature checks. Coaches will verify that swimmers have completed and signed the COVID waivers. Swimmers will be directed to the stands where they will sit in predetermined areas according to their cohort. No spectators will be allowed and a private zoom stream will be provided. Athletes will remain 6 feet apart in assigned seating area in stands and escorted for events on and off the deck

### **FACILITY RULES:**

Social distancing will be enforced at all times, Swimmers must wear a mask at all times except when swimming. The side door will be open for touch-free entry. Locker rooms will be closed at all times. Staff office with single stall bathroom will be open for emergency use. There will be no changing allowed in the locker room or bathroom. There will be no spectators and swimmers will sit in predetermined locations.

Swimmers will wear masks up until the start of their heat and will put the mask back on once finishing. After the conclusion of their race, swimmers will exit to the right, around the pool back towards the stands. At this time swimmers in the next heat will exit the stands, and line up behind the block, wearing masks.

Planned number of individuals on deck:

Coaches: 3

Swimmers: Morning 18, Afternoon 37

Timers: 10 (6 timers, 2 backups, 2 computer table)

Meet Safety Marshall: 1

Total: 51 MAX

**FACILITY:** The Platt High School Pool is a 6-lane, 25-yard pool. Water depth at start end is: 10'6". Water depth at turn end is: 3'9". The competition course has not been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4).

**TIMING SYSTEM:** Colorado Timing System which is in compliance with USA Swimming Rulebook (102.24) USA Swimming Rulebook (102.24).

**LOCKER ROOMS:** Showers and locker rooms are closed. Changing into or out of swimsuits is prohibited. Swimmers are to arrive and depart in suits.

**SAFE SPORT POLICIES:** A private zoom link will be provided to all parents the day before the first day of competition.

**DISABLED ACCESS:** Handicapped parking available at the side lot, handicapped entrances and whether pool, locker rooms and spectator areas are accessible. List a contact for more information and special arrangements.

**COURSE:** SCY

**SESSION TIMES: Subject to Change**

Session 1: 7:00 am Warm Up, Meet Start: 7:30 am

Session 2: 8:45 am Warm up, Meet Start: 9:15 am

**WARM-UPS:** CT Swimming Warm-Up Procedures will be in effect; swimmers will be assigned warm up lanes and there will be no more than 4 swimmers per lane. Swimmers will warm-up only in their practice cohorts, as required by the State of Connecticut. Warm-up procedures will be published and distributed before meet

**ELIGIBILITY:** Intra-squad Meet. Athletes with Flex memberships must not have swum in more than one USA Swimming meet prior to this meet in order to be eligible.

For Sanctioned Meets: All athletes must be current athlete members of USA Swimming. Age on the first day of the meet shall determine the swimmer's age and age group for the meet. Any swimmer, who is entered and is unregistered, will be scratched from the meet until registration is completed. See CT Swimming athlete [registration procedures](#). Registrations will not be processed at the meet. All coaches must present a valid USA Swimming coach card to the Meet Director prior to the commencement of any sanctioned swim meet, and must have this card with them while on deck. Clubs are reminded that participation of unregistered swimmers and/or coaches will result in a **\$100 fine** per instance, as described in CT Swimming [policy for clubs](#) and [policy for meet hosts](#).

Any swimmer entered in the meet must be certified by a USA Swimming member-coach as being

proficient in performing a racing start or must start each race from within the water **without the use of the backstroke ledge**. When unaccompanied by a member-coach, it is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement.

**ADULT ATHLETES:** All athletes who will be 18 years of age or older on any day of the meet must complete the mandatory Athlete Protection Training prior to competition. Failure to do so will result in the swimmer being scratched from the meet.

**ADAPTED SWIMMING:** Any current athlete members of USA Swimming with a disability as defined by USA Swimming Rules and Regulations may enter this meet. If modifications to USA Swimming rules are necessary, then the coach or athlete must notify the meet referee of any disability prior to competition. Adapted athletes may direct questions to the [Connecticut Swimming office](#).

**ENTRY LIMITATIONS:** Swimmers will have a limit of 5 events per day.

**ENTRY TIMES:** Submit entry times in: SCY

**DEADLINES:** Deadline is April 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 to Taylor Recck at [meridensilverfinsct@gmail.com](mailto:meridensilverfinsct@gmail.com) OR mailed to Taylor Recck, 6 Hickory Hill Road, Kensington, CT 06037. All entries must be legible and must use full names and registration numbers from USA Swimming registration. Coaches will receive a psyche sheet on March 15, 2021 at 5pm to confirm entry.

**ELECTRONIC ENTRIES:** Electronic entries (such as from Hy-Tek Team Manager or other team management software) that are in CL2 or SD3/SDIF format may be emailed as an attachment to the entry chair at [Meridensilverfinsct@gmail.com](mailto:Meridensilverfinsct@gmail.com). Please check that your team name, address, and contact information are listed correctly in this file.

**ENTRIES FROM ATHLETES WITH NO CLUB AFFILIATION:** Athletes entering this meet independent of a USA Swimming club or coach shall: 1.) be under the supervision of a USA Swimming coach for the duration of the meet. It is the swimmer's responsibility to make arrangements with a USA Swimming member coach prior to the meet. Athletes unaccompanied by a USA Swimming coach will not be permitted on deck. Please contact the Meet Director for assistance. 2) be certified by a USA Swimming member coach as being proficient in performing a racing start or must start each race from within the water. It is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement. The name of the USA Swimming member coach supervising the athlete and racing certification should be submitted to the Meet Director with the entry.

All adult athletes, or parents of minor athletes, who enter without club affiliation will be required to attest to reading and understanding the [Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy](#).

**ENTRY FEES:** None

**OUTREACH ENTRY FEE REIMBURSEMENT:** Participating clubs will submit payment in full to the meet host for all Outreach athlete entry fees (splash fees). These fees will be reimbursed by CSI to the participating club after completion of the meet. Scratches and 'No Swims' will not be reimbursed. For more information and to submit a reimbursement visit the [Outreach Athlete](#) page on [ctswim.org](http://ctswim.org).

**PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS:** None

**CUT PROTOCOL:**

If the session is oversubscribed the following protocol will be instituted IN THE ORDER PRESENTED to reduce the timeline to the required length or participation number:

1. Athletes aged 7 and Under will be cut from the meet.
2. The maximum number of events allowed per day may be reduced by one (1).

The host reserves the right to seek approval from Program Operations for additional changes, which may reasonably maximize participation opportunities.

Notification of any cuts or requests for changes must be made to Program Operations as soon as possible by the host. Attending teams will be notified no later than the Monday before the meet.

NOTE: If the host is required to institute the published cut protocol above. All accepted entries at the time that the cut protocol is instituted may be considered final by the host for the purposes of financial responsibility. (i.e. Teams submitting "placeholder" entries will be required to pay for the entries if the cut protocol is required).

**RESERVE THE RIGHT TO MAKE CHANGES:** In accordance with CSI Policies, the meet referee reserves the right to make any adjustments to the provisions of the meet announcement deemed necessary to ensure the fair and efficient running of the meet. The Meet Referee will seek Program Operations approval for all changes requiring approval. Clubs will be notified of changes no later than Monday before the meet.

**RELAYS:** No

**SAFETY:**

1. Diving will be prohibited during warm-ups except in specifically announced one-way sprint lanes. There will be no diving in the warm-up and warm-down areas at any time
2. No shaving is permitted at the competition site.
3. No glass containers are permitted within the facility.
4. Swimmers must be under the supervision of a coach. If a swimmer arrives at the meet without a coach, the swimmer should notify the referee before he/she warms up. The referee will assign the swimmer to a registered coach for warm-ups.
5. Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms.

**SWIMWEAR:** Per CT Swimming policy, swimmers 12 years old and younger are not permitted to wear "Tech Suits" at any CT sanctioned or approved meets. "Tech Suits" are defined as a suit that has Bonded Seams, Kinetic Tape, or Meshed Seams. Age is determined on the first date of the meet.

**PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO RECORDING:**

Meet Management has the full authority to restrict any and all photography, audio and visual recording using cameras, video cameras, tablets, cell phones or other electronic devices at a meet.

Photography or video recording from the deck is prohibited by all individuals, other than participating Coaches, unless prior authorization from the Meet Referee or meet referee has been granted.

Under no circumstances is photography or video recording permitted by anyone in the area adjacent to or behind the starting blocks, including spectator stands at deck level, while they are in use for race starting purposes during competition and warm-ups. Flash photography is prohibited during the start of any heat, including whenever any swimmer is stepping up or standing on a block for the purpose of the start of a heat.

Photography or video recording and the use of audio, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms. Additional "No Camera Zones" may be designated by Meet Management or the meet referee.

If individuals are properly credentialed, not obstructing movement on the deck and abiding by these rules, the following individuals may be allowed by Meet Management and the meet referee with prior authorization if they possess the following:

- Professional photographers with current, official media credentials that are promoting the sport of swimming
- Official team and professional meet photographers that are USA Swimming members, background checked, have signed off on MAAPP and completed Athlete Protection Training
- A participating athlete directly assisting a Coach, for instructional purposes, during an event using the Coach's electronic device

Any individual failing to abide by these rules may be ejected from the facility and be subject to a Code of Conduct violation at the discretion of Meet Management.

**DRONES:** Operation of a drone, or any other flying apparatus, is prohibited over the venue (pools, athlete/coach areas, spectator areas and open ceiling locker rooms) any time athletes, coaches, officials and/or spectators are present. Exceptions may be granted with prior written approval by USA Swimming Vice President of Program Operations.

**RULES:** Current USA Swimming rules will govern all competition.

**TIME TRIALS:** No

**TIMERS, OFFICIALS OR WORK ASSIGNMENTS:** All meet work assignments will be preassigned by the Meet Director. All volunteers will be required to attest to reading and understanding the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy.

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**DECK ACCESS:** Only athletes, coaches, officials, and official meet staff actively participating in the meet are permitted on the pool deck.

**SCORING:** No

**AWARDS:** Yes. Medals will be awarded to the top 3 finishers in each individual event

**CONCESSIONS:** No.

**HOSPITALITY FOR COACHES AND OFFICIALS:** No.

**PARKING:** Parking is available in lots on both sides of Platt High School. Please do not Street Park on either Coe Avenue or Oregon Road.

**DIRECTIONS:** The Platt High School parking lots have entrances off of both Oregon Road and Coe Avenue. For directions, use the following link: <https://goo.gl/maps/8QpFMAgPlc.rJEQ31v6>

WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

In consideration for receiving permission to BE ON PREMISES to either accompany my child or he or she conduct business, voluntarily participate in recreational events, attend practice or participate in training or compete at OH Platt High School or any Meriden Silver Fins related activity (hereinafter the "Activity" or "Activities"), I, on behalf of myself and any minor child/children for whom I have the capacity to contract, hereby acknowledge and agree to the following:

- 1. I understand the hazards of the novel coronavirus ("COVID-19") and am familiar with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") guidelines regarding COVID-19. I acknowledge and understand that the circumstances regarding COVID-19 are changing from day to day and that, accordingly, the CDC guidelines are regularly modified and updated, and I accept full responsibility for familiarizing myself with the most recent updates.
2. Notwithstanding the risks associated with COVID-19, which I readily acknowledge, I hereby willingly choose to participate in Activities.
3. I acknowledge and fully assume the risk of illness or death related to COVID-19 arising from my being on the premises and participating in the Activities and hereby RELEASE, WAIVE, DISCHARGE, AND COVENANT NOT SUE (on behalf of myself and any minor child/children for whom I have the capacity to contract) Meriden Silver Fins and / or OH Platt High School and its owners, officers, directors, agents, employees, and assigns (the "RELEASEES") from any liability related to COVID-19 which might occur as a result of my being on the premises and participating in the Activities.
4. I shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the RELEASEES from and against any and all claims, demands, suits, judgments, losses or expenses of any nature whatsoever (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees, costs and disbursements, whether of in-house or outside counsel and whether or not an action is brought, on appeal or otherwise), arising from or out of, or relating to, directly or indirectly, the infection of COVID-19 or any other illness or injury.
5. It is my express intent that this Waiver and Hold Harmless Agreement shall bind any assigns and representatives, and shall be deemed as a RELEASE, WAIVER, DISCHARGE, AND COVENENANT NOT TO SUE the above-named RELEASEES. This Agreement and the provisions contained herein shall be construed, interpreted, and controlled according to the laws of the State of Connecticut. I HEREBY KNOWINGLY AND VOLUNTARILY WAIVE ANY RIGHT TO A JURY TRIAL OF ANY DISPUTE ARISING IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AGREEMENT. I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THIS WAIVER WAS EXPRESSLY NEGOTIATED AND IS A MATERIAL INDUCEMENT OF THE PERMISSION GRANTED BY RELEASEES TO BE ON PREMISES AND PARTICIPATE IN THE ACTIVITIES. BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT, I ACKNOWLEDGE AND REPRESENT THAT I have read the foregoing Waiver of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement, understand it and sign it voluntarily as my own free act and deed; no oral representations, statements, or inducements, apart from the foregoing written agreement, have been made; I am at least eighteen (18) years of age and fully competent; and I execute the Agreement for full, adequate, and complete consideration fully intending to be bound by same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed this Waiver and Agreement under seal on this \_\_\_\_ day of April 2021.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

NAMES OF MINOR CHILD(REN), IF ANY: \_\_\_\_\_

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**FINS INTRA-SQUAD RTC PENTATHLON MEET - 4/10/2021****Session Report**

Session: 1 12/U Pentathlon

Day of Meet: 1 Starts at 07:30 AM Heat Interval: 90 Seconds / Back +60 Seconds

		<b>Entries</b>	<b>Heats</b>
Finals	1 Girls 9-12 50 Butterfly	10	2
Finals	2 Boys 9-12 50 Butterfly	7	2
Finals	3 Girls 9-12 50 Breaststroke	10	2
Finals	4 Boys 9-12 50 Breaststroke	7	2
Finals	5 Girls 9-12 50 Backstroke	10	2
Finals	6 Boys 9-12 50 Backstroke	7	2
Finals	7 Girls 9-12 50 Freestyle	10	2
Finals	8 Boys 9-12 50 Freestyle	7	2
Finals	9 Girls 9-12 100 IM	10	2
Finals	10 Boys 9-12 100 IM	7	2
	Swimmers Counts for Warm-ups: 17	====	====
	Entry / Heat Totals:	85	20



**FINS INTRA-SQUAD RTC PENTATHLON MEET - 4/10/2021****Session Report**

Session: 2 13/0 Pentathlon

Day of Meet: 1 Starts at 09:15 AM Heat Interval: 90 Seconds / Back +60 Seconds

		<b>Entries</b>	<b>Heats</b>
Finals	11 Girls 13 & Over 100 Butterfly	24	4
Finals	12 Boys 13 & Over 100 Butterfly	13	3
Finals	13 Girls 13 & Over 100 Breaststroke	24	4
Finals	14 Boys 13 & Over 100 Breaststroke	13	3
Finals	15 Girls 13 & Over 100 Backstroke	24	4
Finals	16 Boys 13 & Over 100 Backstroke	13	3
Finals	17 Girls 13 & Over 100 Freestyle	24	4
Finals	18 Boys 13 & Over 100 Freestyle	13	3
Finals	19 Girls 13 & Over 200 IM	24	4
Finals	20 Boys 13 & Over 200 IM	13	3
	Swimmers Counts for Warm-ups: 37	====	====
	Entry / Heat Totals:	185	35