

RYWC Santa Claus Classic

December 19th, 2026

2 Huckleberry Hill Road Brookfield, CT 06804

Held under sanction of USA Swimming and Connecticut Swimming, Inc. #S26-45. 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.

Host Team Code	RYWC
Meet Director	Sarah Avery sbasile@regionalmca.org 203-775-1077 Ext 153
Entry Chair	Sarah Avery sbasile@regionalmca.org 203-775-1077 Ext 153
Referee	Leon Istambouli istambouli@gmail.com 203-456-0738
Safety Chair	Sarah Avery sbasile@regionalmca.org 203-775-1077 Ext 153
Official's Contact	Leon Istambouli istambouli@gmail.com 203-456-0738
FACILITY INFORMATION	
Location	10 Huckleberry Hill Road Brookfield, CT 06804
Facilities	The Greenknoll Aquatics Center offers two 6 lane, 25 yard pools for warm up and competition. Water depth at start end of the south competition pool is: 6ft and Water depth at turn end is: 6ft. Water depth at start end of the north warm-up pool is: 5.5ft and Water depth at turn end is: 3.5ft. The competition courses have not been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4). Colorado timing system with 6 lane display and touch pads at start end. FACILITY PROTOCOLS: - Coaches and officials are to use the single use multipurpose bathroom in the YDAC facility or the single use bathroom in the Nurses Office in the camp building. - The locker rooms are open, but swimmers should arrive prepared to warm up. - Access to the locker rooms in the main building is through the airlock vestibule located on the north end of the pool deck. - Teams may not sit on the west side of the pool deck, the west side will be used for spectator seating. Changing into or out of swimsuits other than in locker rooms or other designated areas is prohibited.
Course	SCY
Emergency Phone	203-775-1077
Website	www.makoswim.org
Wifi Access	WiFi will be available to spectators and swimmers under the bubble and connectivity strength is fair.
Medical Supervision	Lifeguards will be on duty for the duration of the meet, AED device is on the pool deck.
Safe Sport	A quality control system has been implemented to ensure that individuals who are ineligible for participation are unable to participate in this competition. Additionally, all adult members of USA Swimming who have not completed their Athlete Protection Training will not be able to participate in this competition.
Handicapped/Disabled Access	Accessible. Fully ADA Compliant. Any individuals requiring handicapped parking please email: sbasile@regionalmca.org in advance to make arrangements.

<i>Parking</i>	All athlete and spectator parking will be in the lower and side lot of the YMCA Main Building. Coaches and officials may park in the VIP Parking area next to the Bay Building. Please follow all parking signs and follow instructions from our parking attendants. Additional parking can be found at the medical building next to the YMCA @ 60 Old New Milford Road, Brookfield CT.
<i>Deck Access</i>	Only athletes, coaches, officials, and official meet staff actively participating in the meet are permitted on the east side pool deck.
ENTRY INFORMATION	
<i>CT ONLY Deadline</i>	There are no CT ONLY deadlines for any meet in the SC season
<i>Entry Deadline</i>	Deadline is December 4, 2026
<i>Entry Fees</i>	Individual: \$20.00 Relays: \$30.00 Manual Entry Fees: Not allowed ** No refunds will be given for entries that are accepted, or for entries that are rejected due to improper entry.
<i>Send Payment to</i>	Sarah Avery 2 Huckleberry Hill Road Brookfield, CT 06804 Payment must be received by 12/19/2026
<i>Makes checks payable to</i>	Regional YMCA of Western CT
<i>Electronic Entries</i>	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 sbasile@regionalymca.org. Payment or a copy of a check request must be received on 10/16/2026 as well. All entries must be legible and must use full names and registration numbers from USA Swimming registration. The time date stamp on the email containing the electronic entry file will determine that order in which entries are received. Teams are financially responsible for their initial entry, unless they are asked to reduce the size of the entry due to oversubscription
<i>Entries from Athletes with no club affiliation</i>	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.
MEET INFORMATION	
<i>Meet Format</i>	The meet will be swum as Timed-Finals. Events will be swum slow to fast. This is a 10 and under meet, and Santa usually makes a stop by the pool with the help of the Brookfield Volunteer Fire Department. All meet participants will receive a Santa Claus Classic tshirt! <i>Coaches will need to have athlete t-shirt sizes to the meet director by 11/8/2026</i>
<i>Entry Limitations</i>	Swimmers may compete in 6 events overall, but no more than 4 individual events and 2 relays.
<i>Meet Duration</i>	Full meet with time limits as defined by CT/USA Swimming.
<i>Sanction Type</i>	Sanctioned
<i>Rules</i>	Current USA Swimming rules will govern all competition.
<i>Relays</i>	Yes
<i>Time Trials</i>	No
<i>Adult Athletes</i>	All adult athletes, or parents of minor athletes, who enter without club affiliation will be required to attest to reading and understanding the <u>Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy</u> .
<i>Hospitality</i>	Yes
<i>Concession</i>	Yes
<i>Awards</i>	Yes – Heat winners will be awarded for the 12/under session
SCHEDULE	

Saturday	Session 1: Girls Warm up: 8:00am Start:9:00am Session 2 Warm up: 1:00pm Start:2:00pm
CT Swimming Warm-Up Procedures will be in effect.	
MISCELLANEOUS	
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 <u>prior</u> to competition. Adapted athletes may direct questions to the Connecticut Swimming office .
Outreach	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 CSI 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.
Work Assignments	Teams may be assigned volunteer positions. Officials should contact Leon Istambouli. Participating clubs will be notified of work assignments by the Monday before the meet. All volunteers will be required to attest to reading and understanding the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy .
Registration Reporting	The Meet or Entry Director MUST run a meet verification report and give said report to the Meet Referee. This is to ensure that no swimmer without their APT credentials or unregistered swimmers participate in a sanction USA/CT Swimming meet.
Meet Changes	Once the meet has begun, the Meet Referee may make adjustments to the conduct of competition in accordance with USA Swimming Rule 102.11. Any pre-meet changes to the provisions of this meet announcement may only be made with approval of CT Swim Program Operations, unless specifically authorized by CT Swim policy.
Scratch Procedure	Meet announcements and advance information shall specify check-in and scratch procedures for individual and relay events and penalties for violation of those procedures. USA Swimming Rulebook 102.3
Eligibility	All USA Swimming clubs and individuals 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 meet policies: https://www.ctswim.org/Customer-Content/www/CMS/files/Membership/Registration-Policy-for-Athletes.pdf and https://www.ctswim.org/Customer-Content/www/CMS/files/policies_admin/RegistrationPolicyforMeetHosts.pdf 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.
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.

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. Relays will be cut.
2. The maximum number of events allowed per day may be reduced by one (1).
3. Visiting teams may be cut based on the date/time of the receipt of the final paid entry. If teams are cut, the host reserves the right to offer the available partial entry to the cut teams in the order that entries were received in order to fill the meet.

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).

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.

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.

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:

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Session: 1 Girls Santa

Day of Meet: 1 Starts at 09:00 AM Heat Interval: 25 Seconds / Back +15 Seconds

Round	Event	Entries	Heats	Starts at	
Finals	1 Girls 10 & Under 100 Medley Relay	0	0	09:00 AM	_____
Finals	3 Girls 10 & Under 50 Butterfly	0	0	09:00 AM	_____
Finals	5 Girls 8 & Under 25 Butterfly	0	0	09:00 AM	_____
	Break: 5 Minutes:				
Finals	7 Girls 10 & Under 50 Backstroke	0	0	09:05 AM	_____
Finals	9 Girls 8 & Under 25 Backstroke	0	0	09:05 AM	_____
	Break: 5 Minutes:				
Finals	11 Girls 10 & Under 100 IM	0	0	09:10 AM	_____
Finals	13 Girls 8 & Under 25 Breaststroke	0	0	09:10 AM	_____
	Break: 5 Minutes:				
Finals	15 Girls 10 & Under 50 Breaststroke	0	0	09:15 AM	_____
Finals	17 Girls 8 & Under 25 Freestyle	0	0	09:15 AM	_____
	Break: 5 Minutes:				
Finals	19 Girls 10 & Under 50 Freestyle	0	0	09:20 AM	_____
Finals	21 Girls 10 & Under 100 Freestyle Relay	0	0	09:20 AM	_____
	Finish Time			09:20 AM	_____

Santa Claus Classic 22026 - 12/19/2026**Session Report**

Session: 2 Boys Santa

Day of Meet: 1 Starts at 02:00 PM Heat Interval: 25 Seconds / Back +15 Seconds

Round	Event	Entries	Heats	Starts at	
Finals	2 Boys 10 & Under 100 Medley Relay	0	0	02:00 PM	_____
Finals	4 Boys 10 & Under 50 Butterfly	0	0	02:00 PM	_____
Finals	6 Boys 8 & Under 25 Butterfly	0	0	02:00 PM	_____
	Break: 5 Minutes:				
Finals	8 Boys 10 & Under 50 Backstroke	0	0	02:05 PM	_____
Finals	10 Boys 8 & Under 25 Backstroke	0	0	02:05 PM	_____
	Break: 5 Minutes:				
Finals	12 Boys 10 & Under 100 IM	0	0	02:10 PM	_____
Finals	14 Boys 8 & Under 25 Breaststroke	0	0	02:10 PM	_____
	Break: 5 Minutes:				
Finals	16 Boys 10 & Under 50 Breaststroke	0	0	02:15 PM	_____
Finals	18 Boys 8 & Under 25 Freestyle	0	0	02:15 PM	_____
	Break: 5 Minutes:				
Finals	20 Boys 10 & Under 50 Freestyle	0	0	02:20 PM	_____
Finals	22 Boys 10 & Under 100 Freestyle Relay	0	0	02:20 PM	_____
	Finish Time			02:20 PM	_____