LSC SANCTION REQUIREMENTS
USA SWIMMING RETURN TO COMPETITION
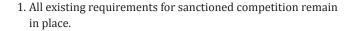
1. All existing requirements for sanctioned competition remain in place.

2. Meets should be pre-seeded, and it is recommended that no deck entries be allowed.

3. In addition to the meet sanction request, the applicant meet host must provide the following information in a supplement document:
   a. A statement of the local protocols and requirements;
   b. The plan for spectator ingress and egress;
   c. The planned number of individuals gathering in the spaces: pool, deck, spectator seating, etc.;
   d. Safe Sport considerations to ensure parents have access to and/or the opportunity to observe their child; and
   e. An attestation statement in which the meet host attests that the conduct of the meet will adhere to local jurisdictional guidelines. Suggested language:

   In applying for this sanction(ed event), the Host, _____ (specifically named Club or other entity) agrees to comply and to enforce all health and safety mandates and guidelines of USA Swimming, _____ (LSC), the State of _____ and _____ (local jurisdiction).

4. The applicant meet host must provide assumption of risk disclaimer language in meet information, announcements, and heat sheets. The following is assumption of risk disclaimer language posted by Disney prior to the reopening of Disney Springs. This language is provided as an example only. The meet host should provide its own language reviewed by local counsel:

   "We have taken enhanced health and safety measures – for you, our other guests, and cast members. You must follow all posted instructions while visiting Walt Disney World Resort. 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 visiting Walt Disney World Resort, you voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19."

5. The meet information, meet announcement and heat sheets must also contain the following language:

   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 [INSERT THE LSC] 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 THEREWITH.

**THE CHECKLIST BELOW IS PROVIDED AS A GUIDE
FOR LSCS IN REVIEWING SANCTION REQUESTS:**

SANCTION REQUEST REQUIREMENTS:

A statement setting forth the local protocols and requirements.

The plan for spectator ingress and egress.

The planned number of individuals gathering in the spaces (e.g., pool, deck, spectator seating, etc.)

A statement setting forth the Safe Sport considerations to ensure parents or legal guardians have access to and/or the opportunity to observe their child.

Meet host assumption of risk disclaimer language must be included in the meet information, announcements, and heat sheets.

USA Swimming release language must be included in the meet information, announcements, and heat sheets.

Meet Host and/or Sanction Requestor Name _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Signature _____ Date _____

[INSERT LSC] OFFICE USE:

Reviewed By_____ Date _____

Sanction Number _____