

Requirements for Varsity Meet Packages

The information below will assist you in developing meet packages that adhere to the competition sanctioning requirements of Swimming Canada and Swim Alberta.

The following information must be included in the meet information package:

Dates and Times of competition; Facility; Entry Deadline; Entry Fees; Entry Process; Seeding Information including seeding of Events 400m or Longer; Event List; Eligibility; Rules and Diving Rules.

The following are standard clauses that must be included in varsity meet packages sanctioned by Swim Alberta:

Rules

The meet will be conducted under published World Aquatics and/or World Para Swimming rules and regulations supplemented by published and approved Swimming Canada and Swim Alberta rules and regulations. In addition, this meet package shall outline all changes to and specific application of the published rules. Swim Alberta policies and procedures, where appropriate will also apply. The competition may also be required to operate under playing regulations as outlined by USports.

Diving Rules

One of the below diving rules must be included, for competitions using multiple pools or starting ends more than one clause may be included to distinguish between starting ends.

1. Starts will be conducted from Starting Platforms (blocks) as per World Aquatics Facility Rule 16.1.4, 16.1.8 and Swimming Canada's Swimming Rule 4.1.
2. Starts will be conducted from the Deck or Bulkhead as per Canadian Facility Rule C16.1.4.1 and Swimming Canada's Swimming Rule 4.1.1.
3. In-water starts will be conducted as per Swimming Canada's Swimming Rule 4.1.2.

Eligibility

Only swimmers currently registered with a Swimming Canada Varsity Program.

Entries

All entries must be submitted through the Swimming Canada online system.

Swimwear at Competitions

All swimmers are permitted to race with the swimwear of their choosing at all competitions sanctioned by Swim Alberta. It is not required to declare the choice of swimwear to the Referee if the fabric of the swimwear is a permeable open mesh textile and would not reasonably be seen to create a technical advantage in terms of speed, buoyancy, or endurance.

Sanctioning

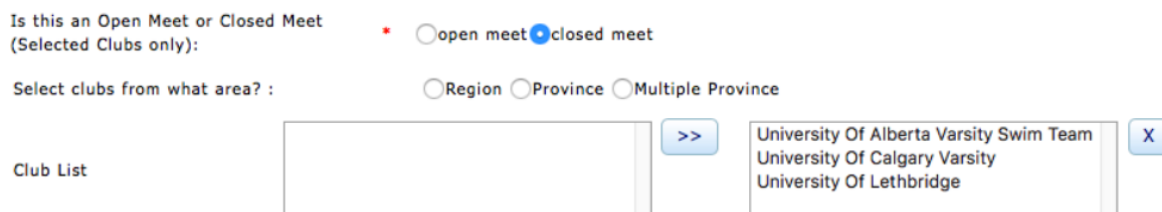
Varsity sanctions must be submitted by the varsity program's meet manager.

The following sanctioning settings must be used.

Meet Type = "Varsity"

Sanction Type = "Varsity Meet"

The closed meet option must be selected, add the invited varsity programs to attend. The screenshot below shows a sample.

A screenshot of a web form. At the top, it asks "Is this an Open Meet or Closed Meet (Selected Clubs only):" with two radio buttons: "open meet" (unselected) and "closed meet" (selected). Below this, it asks "Select clubs from what area?:" with three radio buttons: "Region" (unselected), "Province" (unselected), and "Multiple Province" (unselected). There is a "Club List" label on the left, a large empty text box in the middle, and a blue ">>" button to its right. To the right of the text box is a list of three items: "University Of Alberta Varsity Swim Team", "University Of Calgary Varsity", and "University Of Lethbridge". A blue "X" button is to the right of the list.

Varsity Closed Invitational Sample

Competition Warm-Up

Swimming Canada competition warm-up safety procedures will be in effect at this meet. The full details on the Competition Warm-Up can be found [HERE](#).

Photography/Videography

To minimize risk, all photographs and video taken at Swimming Canada and Swim Alberta sanctioned competitions, whether taken by a professional photographer or videographer, spectator, team support staff or any other participant, must observe generally accepted standards of decency. Under no circumstances are cameras or other recording devices allowed in the area immediately behind the starting blocks during practice or competition starts, or in locker rooms, bathrooms, or any other dressing area.

The full details on the Event Photography and Videography Procedure can be found [HERE](#)