



PARTICIPANT 2025-26 MANUAL

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Introduction

Congratulations on your selection to the 2026 NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Championships! This manual includes important information regarding the championships, and is a supplement, not a substitute, for the 2025-26 NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Prechampionships Manual. Additional information is available on the championships website at [NCAA.com](https://www.ncaa.com) and on [NCAA.org](https://www.ncaa.org).

The championships will be held at the McAuley Aquatic Center, Atlanta, Georgia, March 18-21, 2026 (women) and March 25-28, 2026 (men). Georgia Institute of Technology will serve as the host institution for the championships.

Detailed information regarding the selection process for swimmers and divers is included in the 2025-26 Prechampionships Manual, which is available online at [NCAA.org](https://www.ncaa.org). The qualifying standards for the championships are also available on this page, and all other information pertinent to the championships will continue to be posted on this page.

Coaches Checklist

- Contact Short's Travel Management, the NCAA travel service, at 866-655-9215 to make air travel arrangements. Teams located within 400 miles of the competition site are required to travel via ground transportation. If extraordinary circumstances warrant an exception to the established travel policies, you must contact the NCAA's travel department at 317-917-6757 or travel@ncaa.org for approval prior to making any travel arrangements. All travel policies, including information on travel party numbers, is located on the [NCAA website](https://www.ncaa.org).
- Institutions that are eligible for relay events for the championships must declare all relays in which they want to participate by **3 p.m. Eastern time, Wednesday, March 11 (women's) and 3 p.m. Eastern time, Wednesday, March 18 (men's)**. Declarations must be made via the [**WOMEN'S RELAY DECLARATION FORM**](#) and the [**MEN'S RELAY DECLARATION FORM**](#). The form includes space to name uninvited relay swimmers. Those names can be changed until registration on site. Send questions or uninvited relay only swimmer changes to John Bugner (jbugner@ncaa.org) (women's) and to Paige Newman (pnewman@ncaa.org) (men's).
- Complete and submit the [**TRAVEL INFORMATION AND ROSTER FORM**](#) by **5 p.m. Eastern time, Friday, March 13 (women's) and by 5 p.m., Wednesday, March 18 (men's)**. See instructions in the [Championship Operations](#) section of this manual.
- Complete nominations for the Elite Scholar-Athlete Award by **5 p.m. Eastern time, Monday, March 16 (women's) and Friday March, 20 (men's)**. Please click [here](#) to access the nomination form and other pertinent information regarding the award.
- Coaches and/or institutional sports information staff will be provided a pre-made graphic and will be asked to include a photo of senior student-athletes that qualified for the championships. Please submit the pre-made graphic complete with student-athlete headshots to Mike Flynn (mflynn@athletics.gatech.edu) by **March 15 (women's) and March 18 (men's)**. The photos will be used in the senior recognition presentation at the competition venue Saturday. Any photos sent after these days are subject to exclusion from the recognition.

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Championship Participants:

On behalf of Georgia Tech Athletics and the Georgia Institute of Technology, it's my privilege to congratulate you on a great season and welcome you to the 2026 NCAA Division I Swimming and Diving Championships at the McAuley Aquatic Center.

Georgia Tech is excited to partner with the NCAA to host the Division I Men's Swimming and Diving Championships for the fourth time and the Division I Women's Swimming and Diving Championships for the third time. The McAuley Aquatic Center is one of the nation's premier swimming and diving venues and, in addition to its long history of hosting Atlantic Coast Conference and NCAA championships, was also the home of swimming, diving, synchronized swimming and the swimming portion of the modern pentathlon for the 1996 Summer Olympics.

The information in this manual will assist in your preparation for this year's NCAA Championships at McAuley Aquatic Center. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our meet directors – Nick Nagel (nnagel@athletics.gatech.edu; 484-553-0378) or Ciara O'Halloran (cohalloran@athletics.gatech.edu; 404-433-3812).

Congratulations again on your achievements this season and best of luck throughout the Championships!

Sincerely,

Ryan Alpert
Vice President and Director of Athletics
Georgia Tech

Schedule

The championships will take place March 18-21 (women) and March 25-28 (men). For swimming, the preliminary sessions will begin at 10 a.m. and the finals sessions will begin at 6 p.m., Eastern time.

Preliminary rounds for diving will take place at 12:15 p.m., Eastern time, Thursday and Friday and Noon Saturday for women and at Noon, Eastern time, Thursday through Saturday for the men. Diving finals will take place in the appropriate order during the evening finals session. A comprehensive schedule is included in [Appendix A](#).

Pool Availability

The McAuley Aquatic Center will be available for participating student-athletes during the hours listed below (all times Eastern). Only student-athletes from competing institutions may use the pool during these times. **There is no warm-up allowed in the diving well.**

Monday	4 to 8 p.m.
Tuesday	8 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Wednesday	6 a.m. to one hour after the conclusion of finals
Thursday	6 a.m. to one hour after the conclusion of finals
Friday	6 a.m. to one hour after the conclusion of finals
Saturday	6 a.m. to conclusion of awards ceremony

The McAuley Aquatic Center **will not** be available to competing teams **prior to 4 p.m. Monday**. Teams desiring off-site pool time prior to 4 p.m. Monday may reach out to the following pools, all of which are subject to availability. These facilities do not have 1-meter and 3-meter diving boards unless otherwise designated. ([Appendix L](#)).

The recreation pool (Rec Pool) will be available for use throughout the week AFTER 8 a.m. each day.

Registration/Package Pick-up

Registration will take place up the stairs adjacent to the team entrance (off Tech Parkway), located on the southwest side of McAuley Aquatic Center (see map in [Appendix D](#)). Registration hours are as follows (all times Eastern):

Monday	4 to 8 p.m.
Tuesday	8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Wednesday	8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Massage therapists should arrive at the venue **NO EARLIER THAN 8 a.m. Eastern time, Tuesday, March 17 (women) and Tuesday, March 24 (men)** to be assigned a spot according to the massage table selection procedures (see [Medical Information](#) section for more information). Tables will be placed in the deck-level hallway and on deck (see [Appendix E](#)).

After Wednesday, any late registrations will take place by the Team Entrance on the deck level at the check-in desk. A representative from each participating institution must register their team and pick up the team packet. The following will take place at registration:

- Pick up team packets, which will contain credentials and parking information;
- Review and sign the team entry list, confirming that all student-athletes on the list are present and eligible to compete;
- Declare any uninvited swimmers that may serve as a relay alternate during the meet (up to four);

- Pick-up participant medallions for student-athletes who were selected to the championships;
- Pick-up BodyArmor squeeze bottles for student-athletes; and
- Pick-up student-athlete participation awards.

Practice/Warm-Up Schedule - Swimming

The pool will be available for practice as noted previously. On competition days, there will be one pace and one sprint lane designated in the warm-up pool. Practice and warm-up schedules for the competition pool are included in [Appendix B](#). The administrative referee will determine what lanes may be used for warmups during diving.

Practice/Warm-up Schedule – Diving

A dry land area with mats for stretching and warm up at the north/platform end of the diving well.

The diving practice and competition schedule is in [Appendix C](#).

Administrative Meeting

A **mandatory** administrative meeting will be held **Tuesday, March 17 (women) and Tuesday, March 24 (men)** for all swimming coaches at 11:30 a.m., Eastern time. A mandatory administrative meeting will be held Wednesday, March 18 (women) and Wednesday, March 25 (men) for diving coaches at 1 p.m., Eastern time. All meetings will be conducted **virtually**. All head coaches, or their institutional designee, are required to attend to hear important information specific to the championships and the facility. **Institutions failing to have representation at the meeting will be fined \$500.**

CSCAA Meetings

The College Swimming and Diving Coaches Association of America will attend the NCAA Championships administrative meetings, as well as the men's and women's NCAA Championships in Atlanta.

A Division I Business Meeting will be held on Monday, May 4, in Chicago, Illinois, at the Loews Hotel O'Hare, in conjunction with the CSCAA Annual Meetings. If necessary, an additional meeting will be conducted virtually in April. Coaches will receive a separate email from the CSCAA containing registration information for both the virtual and in-person meetings.

National Anthem

The national anthem will be performed prior to the start of the evening session each day.

Timed Finals Events

ALL RELAYS will be timed finals with every heat except the top eight taking place during the morning preliminaries session. The top eight relays will compete in the evening finals session. Relays will only parade in the evening.

The season's best competitive time for the 1,650-yard freestyle shall be used to seed that event. The eight fastest competitors will swim in the evening finals session at 6 p.m. Wednesday. This heat will parade to the starting blocks. All other heats will be swum slowest to fastest, during the Wednesday morning session. These heats will not parade.

Awards

Awards Ceremony

An awards ceremony will be held immediately after the conclusion of the last event of each finals session (Thursday through Saturday) and NCAA awards will be presented to the top eight finishers in each event.

On Wednesday, awards ceremonies will follow each event. Team awards will be presented to the top **FOUR** teams after the presentation of the 400-yard freestyle relay awards.

Student-athletes are required to wear official school uniforms/warm-ups for awards ceremonies. All individuals receiving an award must be represented on the awards stand.

Swimmers' baskets will be taken to the postrace staging area during the race. Please see the venue map in [Appendix E](#) for the location of the postrace staging area and the awards stand.

If a tie occurs in the finals, it will not be broken. ***The place trophy will be given to the oldest individual by birthday.*** The other individual will get the other trophy for purposes of the awards photograph. A duplicate award will be ordered by the NCAA and sent to the institution after the championships. Institutions interested in purchasing additional awards that they receive on site can do so at <https://services.mtmrecognition.com/ncaa/>.

Elite Scholar-Athlete Award

The NCAA Elite Scholar-Athlete Award will be presented to the student-athlete with the highest cumulative grade-point average competing at the championships. The coach of the recipient will be notified in advance but will be asked NOT to notify the student-athlete. A day/time for presenting the award will be determined at that time. Coaches must submit nominees for the Elite Scholar-Athlete Award by **5 p.m., Eastern time, Monday, March 16 (women's) and Friday, March, 20 (men's)**. Please visit the [NCAA website](#) to access the nomination form and other pertinent information regarding the award.

Locker Room Program

The national championship team will receive champion t-shirts and hats as part of the NCAA locker room program. These items will be presented at the team awards ceremony after the final event.

Participant Medallions

Participant medallions will be provided to all student-athletes selected to the championships at registration. **Medallions will NOT be given to uninvited relay swimmers.** Institutions interested in purchasing participant medallions can do so at the following website: <https://services.mtmrecognition.com/ncaa/>. Additional medallions will **NOT** be provided at registration.

Student-Athlete Participation Awards

Participation awards will be distributed onsite at the finals location for all members of the official NCAA travel party. **Participation awards are not provided for institutionally funded divers or uninvited relay swimmers.** See [Appendix P](#) for details, including ordering instructions for additional participation awards.

Championship Operations

Banners

Only NCAA-approved banners are allowed in or around the competition area. Banners advertising equipment manufacturers are strictly prohibited. Team-provided banners **may not** be hung or displayed. The NCAA will incorporate participating team logos into the décor at the competition venue. **Any banners hung by the teams or spectators will be removed. Any unauthorized removal of official championship banners may result in misconduct.**

Deck Passes/Credentials

Deck passes/credentials will be produced by the NCAA for all participating teams and will be distributed to teams at registration. Team staff must complete and submit the [TRAVEL INFORMATION AND ROSTER FORM](#) by 5 p.m. Eastern time, Friday, March 13 (women) and by 5 p.m., Wednesday, March 18 (men).

Team staff will receive wristbands and student-athletes will receive labeled credentials. No one will be allowed to enter the facility or access the pool deck without proper identification. **Wristbands MUST be worn on the wrist and visible at all times on deck and in the facility.**

Teams will receive deck passes for selected student-athletes and a designated number of institutional personnel (see chart below). Eligible institutions will be allowed to bring up to four uninvited relay swimmers to the championships, not to exceed the maximum of 18 student-athletes. Uninvited relay swimmers must be designated at registration and will receive credentials.

The number of deck passes for institutional personnel is based on the total number of student-athletes attending from their institution – including selected swimmers and divers, uninvited relay swimmers and institutionally funded divers. NOTE: An institution's maximum limit of 18 total student-athletes must be maintained.

Number of Selected Student-Athletes	Number of Deck Passes for Institutional Personnel
1-4 participants	Four
5-9 participants	Five
10-14 participants	Six
15 or more participants	Seven

One additional deck pass will be allocated for the diving coach from each institution with qualified divers. A second deck pass may be issued for an additional diving coach *if all other passes have been exhausted*. Up to four deck passes will be issued for **diving only** programs.

Teams can request up to one medical credential for a certified athletic trainer through the host athletic trainer. Any other athletic trainers must be accommodated through the deck pass allotment noted above. **Massage therapists must be included in the institutional allotment noted in the chart above.** Coaches/institutional personnel outside of the allotted number must pay the regular admission fee and will not be allowed on deck. There are no exceptions to this policy.

Institutional personnel who receive deck passes through the allotment may purchase a replacement deck pass if one is misplaced. The replacement deck pass will cost the same as an all-session ticket (\$140). Replacement deck passes can be purchased prior to each session (from two hours prior to the session until 30 minutes prior) at the team registration area, located at the participant entrance.

Misuse of credential/deck passes by an institution may result in a misconduct.

Media credential requests, including sports information directors and [team content personnel](#) for participating institutions, must be made online at www.ncaa.com/media. **Each team will be limited to one sports information director and up to two team content personnel with deck access.**

EventDirect

The NCAA EventDirect application will be used at the **final site** of this NCAA championship. This application will be used as the primary communication and organizational tool, allowing for direct communication to participating institutional staff via text and email, as well as access to important files and other information all directly through the NCAA EventDirect web-based App. If you have not done so, participating institutional staff must download and register through the web-based App. for their specific championship event to access the necessary championship information and receive important updates in the lead up to and during this championship.

Please be sure to reference the directions in [Appendix O](#) on how to install and/or register on your mobile device, through the EventDirect web-based App., to get set-up and be confirmed as a user within the NCAA EventDirect application for this championship. If you have previously used EventDirect, please reference the “Returning” user instructions. If you are a new EventDirect user, please reference the “New” user instructions.

We highly recommend that you share this with your additional staff (assistant coaches, sport administrators, directors of operations, etc.) and encourage them to register using their institutional email address in order to receive important communication in the lead up to and during the championships.

Heat Sheets

Coach heat sheets will be available on the pool deck at the head table. Heat sheets for the following day will be finalized and distributed by email and placed at the head table after the scratch deadline each day.

Hospitality

Snacks, water and BodyArmor products will be available for participants and team personnel in Room 134 adjacent to the diving well (see map in [Appendix E](#)).

Reminder: Full meals are no longer available for coaches and team personnel. Snacks, beverages and coffee service will be available for coaches and team personnel in the student-athlete hospitality area.

Hospitality for officials and meet management personnel will be available Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The hospitality area for meet management personnel is in Room 251 (see map in [Appendix F](#)) and officials’ hospitality is in Room 147 (see map in [Appendix E](#)).

Merchandise

Official NCAA championship merchandise will be available for purchase at the championships. Participants will also be given the opportunity to pre-order apparel through Event 1, Inc., the official souvenir merchandiser for the NCAA. Participants may also preorder merchandise at the following link: <https://www.event1teamstore.com>. Women’s team orders must be submitted **by 11 p.m. Eastern time, Saturday, April 4**. Men’s team orders must be submitted **by 11 p.m. Eastern time, Saturday, April 11**.

Merchandise will be available for purchase from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday. The merchandise stand is located in the spectator lobby (see map, [Appendix F](#)).

Music

No individual speakers will be allowed on the pool deck – either during practices or competition. House music will be provided during practices.

Relays

ALL RELAYS will be timed finals with every heat except the top eight taking place during the morning session. The top eight relays will compete in the evening finals session.

Results

Results from each session will be distributed via the head table and emailed from the HyTek manager. Results will also be available on Meet Mobile and www.ncaa.com.

Swim-Offs

Per rule 5-8-3, If a tie occurs during preliminary heats, ties may be decided by a method other than a swim-off, such as a coin toss, if agreed upon by both coaches in consultation with the athlete(s). If there is no agreement, a swim-off will be held.

Swim-offs may be held at a mutually agreed-upon time by the teams involved. If a mutual time cannot be agreed upon, the meet referee will have the authority to set a time, which may be no sooner than 30 minutes after the last event of that session. Swim-offs will NOT be conducted before finals. Please check with the meet referee before leaving the venue following prelims if you have a student-athlete that could possibly be affected by a swim-off.

Team Seating

On **Monday and Tuesday**, the top 15 teams from the previous year will be given their choice of location, in order of finish during practice. Coaches must be prepared to make their selection when approached or called by the NCAA committee. Each team will get half of a bleacher. The committee reserves the right to provide fewer seats to a team if the number of participants dictates as such.

At the conclusion of that process, on **Tuesday** coaches from teams 16 through the last scoring team from the previous year's championship in attendance will select their team seating in order of finish from the previous year. Coaches must be prepared to make their selection when approached or called by the NCAA committee. The committee will determine the number of seats to provide based on number of participants.

The remaining teams that did not score or did not participate in the previous year's championship will be ordered by the number of student-athletes entered in the meet. Those entering the same number of student-athletes shall be ordered alphabetically within that group. Once the order has been established, coaches shall select from the remaining seating locations. Teams that did not score will be skipped in the order if not present or do not answer the phone and assigned a spot by the committee. Refer to [Appendix G](#) for a map of the on-deck seating. **NOTE:** Diving only programs will not be part of the team seating process.

The top 15 teams from the 2025 championship are as follows:

WOMEN	MEN
1. Virginia	1. Texas
2. Stanford	2. California
3. Texas	3. Indiana
4. Indiana	4. Florida
5. Tennessee	5. Tennessee
6. Florida	6. Arizona State
7. Louisville	7. Georgia
8. California	8. Stanford
9. Michigan	9. NC State
10. NC State	10. Virginia Tech
11. Southern California	11. Michigan
12. Wisconsin	12. Texas A&M
13. Miami (FL)	13. Alabama
14. Ohio State	14. Louisville
15. Alabama	15. Southern California

Team Video

All heats will be filmed with links provided to coaches after each session. Specific details will be reviewed during the coaches meeting. There is **LIMITED** team video space available from the media seating area at the top of the spectator seating area. Team cameras cannot be set up in ADA locations or block spectator views.

Video Review

Per rule 4-12-7, video review will be used at the championships to determine if relay takeoff disqualifications are accurate. All reviews must be conducted before qualifiers/results are announced. Such equipment shall be used if both relay judges independently record opposite of the equipment or anytime the electronic equipment reading is a negative number that leads to disqualification. The designated official shall review the video to determine if clear video evidence exists to overturn the call. The referee has sole jurisdiction over the review and their decision is a judgment call not subject to further review or appeal. **Challenges by coaches are not permitted as part of this rule.** The video shall not be used to detect any other rule infractions. If conclusive video evidence exists to overturn the call, the result of the relay takeoff equipment is voided, no electronic result is recorded, and the referee may overturn the disqualification for that heat. Any obstruction to the view of the exchange is sufficient to void the video from evidence. All video reviews will take place after the heats of the event are completed.

Video Review – 15-Meter Violation

Per Rule 4 Section 9, video review will be used at the championships to determine if an official's call of a 15-meter violation is accurate. All video reviews will take place after the heats of the event are completed and must be conducted before qualifiers/results are announced. All 15-meter violation disqualifications will be reviewed to evaluate if the 15-meter violation should be upheld. Only the referee and the designated officials may view the video that is being used for review. The referee shall review the video to determine if clear video evidence exists to overturn the call. The referee has sole jurisdiction over the review and their decision is a judgment call not subject to further review or appeal.

Challenges by coaches are not permitted as part of this rule, and coaches are not permitted to view the video being used at any time. The meet committee (in consultation with the meet referee) will confirm that the video equipment is in place, before the respective event, and it is aligned with a direct side view(s) of the 15-meter mark. It is important to note that the result of the video review is merely to determine if the infraction is confirmed. The video will not be used to detect any other rule infractions. If conclusive video evidence exists that the swimmer did not cross the 15-meter mark, the referee may overturn the disqualification. Any obstruction to the view of the 15-meter mark is sufficient to void the video from evidence.

Water/BodyArmor for Participants

Water and BodyArmor product will be available for student-athletes during practice and competition. Teams will receive BodyArmor squeeze bottles for the student-athletes. Squeeze bottles will be distributed at registration. Equipment carrying any branding other than BodyArmor will not be permitted on deck during the championships and all product must be consumed out of the NCAA-provided BodyArmor-branded water cups or squeeze bottles only.

Community Engagement

As part of Georgia Tech's role as host of the 2026 NCAA Division I Women's and Men's Swimming and Diving Championships, participating student-athletes, coaches, and fans are encouraged to join us in a nonperishable food drive supporting the Atlanta Community Food Bank.

This initiative is proudly connected to 404 Day, Atlanta's annual day of service that unites colleges, universities, and community partners in meaningful outreach across the city. Through this effort, NCAA student-athletes have the opportunity to make a direct, positive impact on families across the Atlanta community while competing on one of college athletics' biggest stages.

Participants are encouraged to donate nonperishable food items (such as canned goods, boxed meals, and shelf-stable staples), which may be dropped off at designated collection locations throughout the

championships. Together, we can use the power of sport to support our community and continue the spirit of 404 Day through service and collective action.

Competition Site/Venue Information

Competition Site Maps

Maps of the venue are available in [Appendix E](#), [Appendix F](#) and [Appendix G](#) and outline all areas on the main pool deck as well as the second seating levels.

Emergency Evacuation Plan

The Campus Recreation Center and McAuley Aquatic Center Emergency Evacuation Plan is provided in [Appendix I](#). This plan will also be provided in the team packets at registration and reviewed at the coaches meeting prior to the meet.

Facility Regulations – Prohibited Items

For safety reasons the following items are not permitted in the Campus Recreation Center and McAuley Aquatic Center:

- Artificial noisemakers/noise irritants.
- Non-collapsible strollers are not permitted.
- Tripods and other equipment that could pose a tripping hazard are not permitted.
- Consideration will be provided to teams regarding bringing food inside the venue if needed for participants; however, the venue will limit outside food for spectators.
- Any bags/items brought into the building are subject to inspection and the building policy.
- No weapons or any kind will be allowed in the building. Firearms, knives, chains, lasers, or any other items that may be considered harmful will not be allowed inside.
- Pets (except for service animals).
- Hoverboards.
- Tobacco products.
- Alcoholic beverages.
- Glass containers.
- Laser pointers.
- Strobe lights.
- Any other items deemed dangerous or inappropriate by security or game management.

Alcoholic beverages are strictly prohibited in all Georgia Tech venues and parking areas. Additionally, smoking (including e-cigs) is strictly prohibited on campus.

Locker Rooms / Changing Stations

The McAuley Aquatic Center has locker rooms dedicated to the users of the competition pool located off the pool deck. Both locker rooms will be designated as female during the women's championships and as male during the men's championships. Additional restrooms, including single-user, gender-neutral restrooms, can be found in the recreation center locker rooms for male coaches/staff during the women's championships and for female coaches/staff during the men's championships and anyone else on deck (see map in [Appendix E](#) and [Appendix F](#)).

Participating teams will not have assigned lockers, and all participants will be responsible for their personal items. Team bags can be placed on or under team bleachers on the pool deck. Please remove items from the bleachers each day, to allow staff to clean the deck nightly.

The NCAA, Institute, Georgia Tech Athletics and the Campus Recreation Center are not responsible for lost or stolen items.

Participant Entrance

Participants will enter on the southwest side of McAuley Aquatic Center, along Tech Parkway. This is on the opposite side of the facility from the main entrance. Credentials can be obtained at the team registration tables (see map in [Appendix D](#)).

Towels

Towel service will not be provided during the championships for coaches or student-athletes.

Drug Testing

All student-athletes are subject to NCAA drug testing at all NCAA championships or in conjunction with all postseason certified events. The goal of the drug-testing program is to provide safe, fair and equitable competition as well as to protect the health and safety of all NCAA student-athletes participating in NCAA championships and postseason certified events.

The drug-testing program involves collecting urine specimens from student-athletes at various times throughout an NCAA championship. Student-athletes may be selected for drug testing based on their place of finish, position and/or an approved random selection method. A student-athlete may be selected for drug testing on more than one occasion during the championship event. All urine specimens provided by student-athletes are analyzed by a World Anti-Doping Agency accredited laboratory and the results are then reported to the institution's director of athletics.

The WADA laboratory analyzes each urine specimen for substances and related compounds from a list of banned-drug classes developed by the NCAA Executive Committee. Refer to the 2024-25 Drug-Testing Programs booklet on the [NCAA website](#) for the procedural guidelines for testing. Also review the published list of [banned drug classes](#). Athletic administrators are urged to review the NCAA Drug Education and Testing video, the NCAA Banned Drug Classes List as well as the NCAA Drug-Testing Program booklet with all coaches and student-athletes in advance of any NCAA championship or postseason certified event. Student-athletes who test positive as a result of a drug test administered by the NCAA or who breach the NCAA drug-testing program protocol shall lose one year of eligibility and shall be charged with the loss of a minimum of one season of competition in all sports.

Please note, if NCAA drug testing does not occur during a championship round and/or a drug test is required outside of the standard championship protocol (e.g., national record, world junior record, etc.), the cost associated with such a drug test will be the responsibility of the tested student-athlete's institution.

Additional information regarding the NCAA's championship drug-testing program is located on the [NCAA website](#).

Host City Information

<https://discoveratlanta.com> – Accommodations, maps, dining, shopping, places of interest, and more.

Lodging – Team Hotels

Due to other events in the city, teams are encouraged to reserve hotel rooms immediately. Multiple properties at various price ranges have been identified and are currently holding rooms for the event. A

complete listing of the properties, rates and contact information is located below and on the [Division I swimming and diving landing page](#). Contracted properties are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

<u>HOTELS (men's and women's weeks)</u>	
<u>Courtland Grand Hotel</u> 165 Courtland Street NE Atlanta, GA 30303 Ben Jayakumar Email: bjayakumar@courtlandgrandhotel.com 404-586-3341	<u>The Westin Peachtree Plaza, Atlanta</u> 210 Peachtree Plaza NW Atlanta, GA 30303 Nicole Reyes Email: nicole.reyes@westin.com 470-597-2542
<u>HOTELS (women's week only)</u>	
<u>Sonesta Select Atlanta Midtown Georgia Tech</u> 1132 Techwood Drive NW Atlanta, GA 30318 Ashley day Email: Ashley.day@sonesta.com 404-607-1112	<u>Atlanta Marriott Marquis</u> 265 Peachtree Center Ave Atlanta, GA 30303 Hikema Allen Email: hikema.allen@marriott.com 404-586-6282

Media Services

Important information regarding NCAA media policies is located online at www.ncaa.com/media.

Championships Coverage

ESPN+ will provide digital coverage for the championship week for the morning prelims and evening finals sessions Wednesday through Saturday for the women's and men's championships.

- Tape-delayed coverage of the women's championships will be on ESPNU at 7 p.m. Eastern time, Wednesday, March 25.
- Tape-delayed coverage of the men's championships will be on ESPNU at 7 p.m., Eastern time, Monday, March 30.

Championship Websites

Women's Championships: <https://www.ncaa.com/sports/swimming-women/d1>

Men's Championships: <https://www.ncaa.com/sports/swimming-men/d1>

Additional information specific to participants is located on NCAA.org.

Championships microsites:

Women: <https://ramblinwreck.com/2026-ncaa-division-i-womens-swimming-diving-championships/>

Men: <https://ramblinwreck.com/2026-ncaa-division-i-mens-swimming-diving-championships/>

Footage Usage and Licensing

For more information, go to <https://www.ncaa.com/media-center/broadcast-services>.

Credentials - Media Representatives

Media representatives will be admitted to the championships in accordance with established NCAA policies and procedures. All media credential requests, including requests for institutional sports information and creative personnel, must be submitted online at www.ncaa.com/media. Please reference the [Team Content Personnel Policy](#) – each participating institution may designate up to two individuals as team content personnel.

Media Credentials Pickup

Credentials can be picked up beginning at 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 18 (women) and Wednesday, March 25 (men). For all other days of the championship, credential pickup will open when gates open prior to each session (9 a.m. and 4:45 p.m.). Credential pickup will be located near the spectator lobby to the McAuley Aquatic Center.

Media Hospitality

Hospitality will be available to media throughout the Championships. Hospitality will be available outside Room 251 for media (refer to [Appendix F](#)).

Lunch (Wednesday through Saturday) will be provided between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Dinner (Wednesday through Saturday) will be served between the hours of 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. Coffee, drinks and snacks will be available from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday.

Media Workroom and Seating

During the championships, the media headquarters will be in Room 249 on the main seating level of the McAuley Aquatic Center (refer to [Appendix F](#)). This work area will be equipped with hardline ethernet connections and wireless access. Snacks and beverages will be available in this room during each session. The writing press area is located at the top of Section 204. There will be internet capabilities in this area.

NOTE: There will be no access to the pool deck for media.

Interview Procedures

ESPN will conduct interviews with each event champion prior to the awards ceremony. The interviews will be conducted on the pool deck near Lane 1, closest to the arch video board.

Post-race interviews will take place in the media room, located in Room 251 on the second floor (refer to [Appendix F](#)). Individual event and relay champions are required to participate in media availability shortly after the awards ceremony and warm-down swim. Failure to adhere to the media obligations may result in a misconduct.

The head coach and one to three (1-3) student-athletes from the winning team are required to participate in a press conference following the conclusion of the championships on Saturday evening.

Any other media requests will be coordinated by each institution's SID or team representative.

Parking

Credentialed media will be provided parking in the W02 John Lewis Student Center Deck.

Photo Locations

Photographers and videographers may shoot from the following locations:

- On the side of the pool opposite the head table, photographers/videographers may shoot from the starting blocks to the backstroke flags on the start end of the pool and from the backstroke flags to the turn on the turn end of the pool.
- On the side of the pool with the head table, photographers/videographers may shoot from the backstroke flags to the turn on the turn end of the pool.
- Photographers/videographers are permitted on the second bulkhead at the turn end of the pool.

- Photographers/videographer will not be permitted on the end of the pool where the starting blocks are located, except after starts of the breaststroke and butterfly.
- For diving, photographers/videographers will not be permitted behind (on the stairs side) any boards that are in use.
- Please remember, space for photographers/videographers is **EXTREMELY LIMITED!** NCAA Photos and ESPN broadcast cameras will always have priority over any other photographers/videographers. If locations are crowded, please be courteous to other photographers/videographers. Specifically, if members of your team are not swimming in a particular event, please yield space to photographers/videographers from a team who does have participants in that event if necessary.

Pool Deck Access

To access the pool deck, an individual with a PHOTO credential must have their credential AND a photo or video armband. General members of the media are not allowed on the pool deck.

Armbands will be provided to credentialed media photographers and up to two team content personnel.

Programs

LEARFIELD is partnering with the NCAA to produce digital game programs for NCAA Championships. The Division I Swimming and Diving programs can be viewed at NCAA.com/gameprograms. The program is free to view and can be downloaded and printed. Using a digital platform will allow LEARFIELD to add extra pages to program in addition to extending deadlines to allow for the most up-to-date information to be included in the program. In addition, after the championship has concluded, the program will be updated with a recap and a new cover photo from the recently completed championship.

Publicity

Participating institutions are asked to send press guides and other pertinent publicity and promotional materials to the following:

Mike Flynn

NCAA Swimming and Diving Media Notes
Bobby Dodd Stadium
177 North Avenue
Atlanta, GA 30332

Results

Results will be emailed to all coaches and SIDs after each session. In addition, hard copies will be available in the media headquarters and near the timing room on the pool deck. Live results will be available at Meet Mobile and www.ncaa.com.

Senior Recognition Photos

Coaches and/or institutional sports information staff will be provided a pre-made graphic and will be asked to include a photo of senior student-athletes that are part of their team. Please submit the pre-made graphic complete with student-athlete headshots to Mike Flynn; mflynn@athletics.gatech.edu **by March 15 for women and by March 18 for men**. The photos will be used in the senior recognition presentation at the competition venue Saturday.

Medical Information

All medical care will be coordinated through the Georgia Tech Athletic Association Athletic Training Room, and specifically by the Championships Medical Director, Caitlin Barra.

Sports Medicine Staff

Caitlin Barra
Assistant Athletic Trainer
Cell: 404-704-5364
Email: cbarra@athletics.gatech.edu

Staff on Duty

- At least two certified athletic trainers will be present during all practice and competition times.
- Lifeguards are on duty at all times the McAuley Aquatic Center is open. Coverage includes both the competition and warm-up pools, the diving well and the rec pool.
- An EMT and paramedic are also on-site for the posted open hours for the competition. Their station is located between the Athletic Training Facilities and Lifeguard Headquarters.
- Team physician will be on deck during event finals each night.

Sick Call

Georgia Tech Athletic Training personnel will conduct a “sick call” from 6 to 7:30 a.m. Wednesday through Saturday in the Athletic Training room.

Traveling Without Sports Medicine Staff

If your team is traveling without a certified athletic trainer, advanced notification is appreciated. Written prescriptions from physicians and/or certified athletic trainers are required for any treatment outside of ice and heat in such situations. In addition, Georgia Tech Athletic Training personnel is available to assist with any taping and wrapping needs, provided that student-athletes provide their own taping supplies.

Sports Medicine / Athletic Training Room Facilities

Athletic training room facilities are available at the McAuley Aquatic Center in the first aid room on the pool deck, adjacent to the Lifeguard headquarters (see map in [Appendix E](#)).

Access will be available the entire time the facility is open. Specific requests should be made through Caitlin Barra. The room contains one treatment table, one modality unit, small ice machine, first aid supplies, biohazard disposal and emergency equipment.

Cold tubs will be available on deck near the start end of the warmup pool to be shared by all teams. Ice tubs will be monitored and maintained by the Georgia Tech Athletic Training staff. A detailed schedule of ice tub fill times is included in [Appendix K](#). **Due to limited space, set up of individual team ice baths will not be permitted.**

Emergency equipment, including AED, oxygen, crutches, splints, spine boards, etc., are available within the pool area.

Other Medical Facilities

- The STAMPS Health Center, and specifically the offices of Georgia Tech Athletics’ sports medicine physicians, is located next door to McAuley Aquatic Center. Caitlin Barra has access to them throughout the day Tuesday through Friday, should a need arise.
- Georgia Tech utilizes Peachtree Immediate Care for late/after hour issues. Information for this excellent service is as follows:

Peachtree Immediate Care—Midtown

450 14th Street NW
Atlanta, GA 30318
404-480-9797

Hours: Weekdays and Weekends (Sun-Sat), 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Directions: From McAuley Aquatic Center, proceed north on Ferst Drive toward Hemphill Ave NW. Turn left on Hemphill Ave NW, head northwest to 14th St NW. Turn left on 14th St SW. Destination will be on right (0.3 mile).

- Emory University Hospital Midtown is exactly one mile from McAuley Aquatic Center, should an emergency arise. With the exception of trauma, any student-athletes who must be transported to a hospital will be sent here:

Emory University Hospital Midtown

550 Peachtree Street NE
Atlanta, GA 30308
404-686-4411 (General); 404-686-2435 (Emergency Room)

Directions: From Tech Parkway, proceed southeast to North Avenue and turn left. Cross the interstate and turn right onto Peachtree Street. The hospital is on the right.

- In the case of trauma (only), a student-athlete would be sent to Grady Hospital.

Grady Hospital

80 Jesse Hill Jr. Dr.
Atlanta, GA 30303
404-616-1000

Directions: From Tech Parkway, proceed southeast to North Avenue and turn left. Continue across the interstate to Spring Street and turn right. Take the interstate south ramp. Continue to the Jesse Hill Jr. Dr. exit (1/2 mile). The hospital is on the exit ramp.

- **EMS**
 - Phone: If on campus, contact GTPD at 404-894-2500 and if off campus, call 911.
- **Police**
 - Phone: 404-894-2500

Local Pharmaceutical Facilities

- **CVS Pharmacy**
 - Hours: Weekdays 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 2 to 7 p.m.
Saturday 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 2 to 6 p.m.
Sunday 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 2 to 7 p.m.
 - Address: 842 Peachtree St NE, Atlanta, GA 30308
 - Phone: 404-892-8468
- **Walgreens Pharmacy**
 - Hours: Weekdays 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 2 to 9 p.m.
Saturday 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 2 to 6 p.m.
Sunday: 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 2 to 6 p.m.
 - Address: 595 Piedmont Ave NE Ste 100, Atlanta, GA 30308

- Phone: 404-685-9665

Massage Area

Massage tables will be placed in the deck level hallway and on deck. (See [Appendix E](#))

Massage therapists will select their spot in order based on the team's place finish from the previous year's championship. The remaining teams that did not score or did not participate in the previous year's championship will be ordered by the number of student-athletes entered in the meet. Those entering the same number of student-athletes shall be ordered alphabetically within that group.

Teams can only get two tables together if there are enough spots for everyone and as long as their initial request included two tables on the **Travel Information and Roster Form**. Teams requesting more than two tables will choose a spot after the initial selection in the same order. This process will repeat until either all requests have been filled or there are no more spaces available. If spots fill up in the main area before all teams arrive, the last teams with two spots already taken will be asked to remove or move one of their tables. If there are no teams with more than two tables, the last team with two tables to choose their spot will be asked to remove or move the second table. This will ensure that all teams have at least one spot in the main area.

Massage therapists should arrive at the venue NO EARLIER THAN 8 a.m. Eastern time, Tuesday, March 17 (women) and Tuesday, March 24 (men) to select a location. Those who are not present at that time will be skipped and select at the end. Please keep in mind that ALL massage therapists should be included on your deck pass allotment on the TRAVEL INFORMATION AND ROSTER FORM, even if you contract with one locally.

Concussion Management

The NCAA has adopted legislation that requires all active member institutions to have a concussion management plan for their student-athletes. Participating institutions shall follow their concussion management plan while participating in NCAA championships. If a participating team lacks appropriate medical staff to activate its concussion management plan, the host championship concussion management plan will be activated.

The legislation notes, in part, that a student-athlete who exhibits signs, symptoms or behaviors consistent with a concussion shall be removed from athletics activities (e.g., competition, practice, conditioning sessions) and evaluated by a medical staff member (e.g., sports medicine staff, team physician) with experience in the evaluation and management of concussions; a student-athlete diagnosed with a concussion is precluded from returning to athletics activity for at least the remainder of that calendar day; and medical clearance for return to athletics activity shall be determined by the team physician or the physician's designee from the student-athlete's institution. In the absence of a team physician or their designee, the NCAA tournament physician will examine the student-athlete and will determine medical clearance.

A concussion is a brain injury that may be caused by a blow to the head, face, neck or elsewhere on the body with an "impulsive" force transmitted to the head. Concussions can occur without loss of consciousness or other obvious signs. A repeat concussion that occurs before the brain recovers from the previous one (hours, days or weeks) can slow recovery or increase the likelihood of having long-term problems. In rare cases, repeat concussions can result in brain swelling, permanent brain damage and even death.

For further details please refer to the “NCAA Sports Medicine Handbook Guideline on Concussions” online at www.NCAA.org/health-safety.

McAuley Aquatic Center Emergency Action Plan

The emergency action plan is located in [Appendix I](#).

First Aid Kits:

- Competition Pool Guard Room, Room 139, 1st Floor
- Leisure Pool Guard Room, Room 112A, 1st Floor
- Access Control Desk, 2nd Floor
- Member Services Desk, Room 202, 2nd Floor

Public Access AEDs:

- Both Locker Rooms, outside Room 149, 1st Floor
- Competition Pool Guard Room, Room 139, 1st Floor
- Leisure Pool Guard Room, Room 112A, 1st Floor
- Fitness Center, outside Room 103, 1st Floor
- Outside Room 243, 2nd Floor

Emergency Medical Service

EMS personnel will be on-site for all swimming and diving practices and sessions.

Non-Student Athlete Medical Issues on Deck:

Will be managed by the lifeguard staff and/or the Championship medical staff.

Spectator Medical Issues

Spectators in the stands should contact the nearest Event Staff worker or Event Security personnel for assistance. EMS or Championship medical staff may provide necessary care.

NCAA Policies and Requirements

Certification of Eligibility/Availability

Only student-athletes eligible under NCAA Bylaws 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 may compete in NCAA championships. In accordance with Bylaw 3.2.4, member institutions are required to certify the eligibility of their student-athletes before the beginning of each academic year and to withhold ineligible student-athletes from all intercollegiate competition. Institutions are responsible for monitoring/determining the eligibility of student-athletes at the start of each semester/quarter. Member institutions are reminded to notify the NCAA national office before the selection date for each championship of any student-athlete who may have participated in regular-season competition but subsequently is determined to be ineligible or unavailable for NCAA championships competition.

It is critical for coaches to immediately inform the NCAA championship manager, John Bugner (women’s) (jbugner@ncaa.org; 317-522-7220) and Paige Newman (men’s) (pnewman@ncaa.org; 317-778-9808), of student-athletes who have become unavailable to compete, since another student-athlete could lose the opportunity to participate in the championships if this information is not received. This applies to student-athletes who have been selected to the championships and become ineligible.

Ethical Behavior by Coaches

As a member of the coaching profession, coaches have inherent obligations and responsibilities to the profession, to the student-athletes, and to all those with whom they come into contact. Coaches are

expected to be role models and to conduct themselves with integrity and high ethical standards at all times. In order to fulfill these responsibilities, a coach must do the following:

1. Per NCAA Bylaws, conduct all intercollegiate competition in accordance with the playing rules of the Association;
2. Place the safety and welfare of others ahead of winning and personal prestige;
3. Treat all people with honesty, fairness and respect. (In particular, such things as vulgar and profane language or taunting, intimidating or baiting opponents or the media, are not acceptable from a coach or a student-athlete.);
4. Teach and model for student-athletes and staff members strict adherence to the rules and regulations of the sport and its governing bodies; and
5. Recognize, accept and teach to the team and the staff that their public behavior projects an image of the program and the university or college they represent. Therefore, behavior should be appropriate and honorable at all times.

Misconduct/Code of Conduct

Misconduct is defined as “any act of dishonesty, unsportsmanlike conduct, unprofessional behavior or breach of law, occurring from the time the championship field is announced through the end of the championship that discredits the event or intercollegiate athletics.”

Public criticism of officials may subject the individual, institution or conference to the misconduct provisions.

The games committee is authorized to (1) reprimand publicly or privately, (2) disqualify from future participation and/or (3) ban from subsequent competition a student-athlete or representative of the institution who is guilty of misconduct at any time during the championship.

Sports Wagering

The NCAA defines sports wagering as putting something at risk – such as an entry fee or a wager – with the opportunity to win something in return. The NCAA opposes all forms of legal and illegal sports wagering on college sports. Student-athletes and athletics administrators cannot place a sports wager for any NCAA-sanctioned sport. This includes wagering on the intercollegiate, amateur or professional level.

Student-athletes found in violation of NCAA sports wagering rules will be ineligible for competition, subject to appeal to the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement. The appropriate penalties will be considered on a case-by-case basis based on the division’s student-athlete reinstatement sports wagering penalty guidelines.

Tobacco Ban

The use of tobacco products is prohibited by all game personnel (e.g., coaches, athletic trainers, managers and game officials) in all sports during practice and competition. Uniform penalties (as determined by the applicable rules-making committees and sports committees with rules-making responsibilities) shall be established for such use.

The use of tobacco products by a student-athlete is prohibited during practice and competition. A student-athlete who uses tobacco products during a practice or competition shall be disqualified for the remainder of that practice or competition. Smoking of any kind is not permitted in the McAuley Aquatic Center.

Participant Expectations and Guidelines

Alternates

Individuals on the alternate list may be added to the championship up until the start of the first race on Wednesday. Once the first race has started, no more alternates will be added.

Uninvited Relay Swimmers

Institutions that have at least one invited swimmer and are eligible to swim relays through Steps 1 through 3 of the Relay Qualification Procedures as outlined in the 2025-26 Division I Swimming and Diving Prechampionships Manual are allowed to bring **up to four student-athletes** to the championships to serve as uninvited relay swimmers as long as the maximum number of student-athletes per team do not exceed 18. Uninvited relay swimmers are student-athletes who were not invited to the championships in an individual event but can serve as relay alternates if needed. **The following policies apply to uninvited relay swimmers:**

- Uninvited relay swimmers will not receive reimbursement from the NCAA (travel and per diem) for attending the championships;
- Uninvited relay swimmers may participate as alternates on any relay for which an institution is eligible;
- Uninvited relay swimmers must be eligible student-athletes who are listed on the team roster online.
- Uninvited relay swimmers may not swim any individual events;
- Institutions must designate any potential uninvited relay swimmers (up to four) at the time of registration. Only student-athletes who were invited in individual events or the designated uninvited relay swimmers (up to four) may be used as alternates for relays;
- Uninvited relay swimmers will count towards the limit of 18 participants;
- If an institution scratches a student-athlete after selections, that student-athlete cannot be used as an uninvited relay swimmer; and
- Uninvited relay swimmers do not count towards parking pass numbers but do count towards deck pass allotment.

Submit uninvited relay swimmer names via the [**WOMEN'S RELAY DECLARATION FORM**](#) due 3 p.m., Eastern time, Wednesday, March 11 (women) and the [**MEN'S RELAY DECLARATION FORM**](#) due 3 p.m., Eastern time, Wednesday, March 18 (men). Those names can be changed up to registration on site. Send questions or uninvited relay only swimmer changes to John Bugner (women) (jbugner@ncaa.org) and Paige Newman (men) (pnewman@ncaa.org).

Appeals

All appeals must be submitted on the official appeal form, which will be available at the head table on deck. The form must be completed in full and submitted to the referee not later than 15 minutes after the finish of the final heat in that session of the event in which the appeal is applicable. Appeals will be acted upon by the appropriate meet committee. The decision of this committee is final. Any appeal before, during or immediately after a race should be resolved at the earliest opportunity, but not later than immediately following the current session. The use of video is not permitted during the appeal process.

Diving Lists

Each competitor who qualifies for the NCAA championships must submit their list of dives to DiveMeets Monday before the championships begin. These lists of dives must be verified and signed by the diver and the coach by the scratch deadline, and shall include the international dive numbers, position letters, the degree of difficulty and the platform height. Each competitor shall be responsible for the correctness of these areas. Failure to follow proper entry procedures may result in a financial penalty.

Diving Signal

In the finals of all diving events, the dive shall be executed after an auditory signal is given by the referee. The signal shall not be given before the diver has assumed a ready position on the board or platform and the referee has checked the master sheet and indicator board. For backward and inward take-offs, the diver shall not proceed to the end of the springboard or platform until the signal has been given by the referee.

Diving Tiebreaker

In the event of a tie for eighth place in the prelims of diving 1-meter, 3-meter or platform events, the tie-breaking method is to take all nine divers to the final. In the evening's final, the nine competitors will do a six-dive list. The highest place finisher of the tied divers will remain in the place that they finished, while the other diver will place ninth.

In the event of a tie for 16th place in the prelims of diving 1-meter, 3-meter or platform events, the tie will not be broken and those tied for 16th place in the prelims will split the points for 16th place (e.g., if two divers tied for 16th place, each diver gets 0.5 points).

NOTE: If there are more than two divers tied for eighth place, all tied divers will move into the final. If there are more than two divers tied for 16th place, all tied divers will split the 16th place points.

Maximum Number of Events

A student-athlete is permitted to compete in a maximum of seven events, of which not more than three may be individual events. If a student-athlete is competing in the NCAA championships in three individual events, that student-athlete may only swim in up to four relays. **A student-athlete who swims more than the allowable number of individual or total events will be disqualified from any excess events and shall be prohibited from participating in the remainder of the meet.**

Participation Requirements

Once officially entered, a competitor must complete all heats, swim-offs, trials (diving) and finals in which the competitor qualifies. This applies to all competitors designated by their coaches to participate in the heats and/or finals of relay events and to all competitors in individual events. Failure to compete for any reason, except in the case of disqualification outlined in the NCAA Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Rules Book and provisions in this manual, shall disqualify the competitor(s) from that event and shall prohibit any further competition in the meet.

At the championships site, coaches will receive an entry list at registration and will be asked to confirm by their signature that all student-athletes listed are present and will be competing in the championships. Failure to comply with the notification procedures for scratches that are outlined above could result in a substantial penalty to an institution and may include the disqualification of a competitor.

Required Events – Diving

Divers who advance to the championships must compete in at least one event in which they qualified to the championships. In order to enter a diving event at the NCAA championships, a diver must have been in the top 12 and achieved a qualifying score. **A declared false start will NOT count as competing in a required event for NCAA reimbursement.**

Required Events – Swimming

Student-athletes selected to the championships must compete in at least one of the events in which they qualified. If, at the conclusion of the championships meet, a student-athlete has competed in one or more events on an optional-entry basis but has not competed in at least one event in which they qualified for

the championships, that competitor will be disqualified from any events in which they participated. In the case of such disqualification(s), the points scored by other teams shall be altered.

Student-athletes who do not meet the participation requirements will not receive transportation and per diem reimbursement. Additionally, institutions that have student-athletes selected to the championships who do not compete may be issued a misconduct with a potential financial penalty. **A declared false start will NOT count as competing in a required event for NCAA reimbursement.**

Scratches

Scratches for specific events will be made on site during the designated hours, and coaches must receive a receipt for scratches to be valid. If a student-athlete has to scratch from their required event(s) on site, there must be a medically-documented reason for scratching and the host athletic trainer/physician must sign-off on the medical scratch.

NOTE: Scratches submitted after the scratch deadline will be fined \$500. Once the heat sheet is published (emailed to coaches), non-medical scratches will not be accepted and meet management should be notified of an intended declared false start if the athlete will not compete in the event as published in the heat sheet.

Scratch box hours for championships are as follows:

Tuesday: 8:30 a.m. to Noon and 4 to 5 p.m. for Wednesday events

Wednesday: 8:30 a.m. to Noon for Wednesday events; 8:30 a.m. to Noon and 4 to 5 p.m. for all Thursday events

Thursday: 8:30 a.m. to Noon and 4 to 5 p.m. for all Friday events

Friday: 8:30 a.m. to Noon and 4 to 5 p.m. for all Saturday events

Squad Size Limitations

An institution shall be allowed no more than 18 competitors (including uninvited relay swimmers and institutionally-funded divers), which will be counted as follows:

- An entrant who swims will be counted as one competitor;
- An entrant who swims and dives will be counted as one competitor;
- An entrant who only dives will be counted as one-half of a competitor in the total team limit; and
- For relays, actual participation in the timed finals of an event shall be counted against the 18 competitors allowed.

Uniforms

Regulations regarding uniforms for swimmers and divers are detailed in Rule 3-1 of the 2025-26 and 2026-27 NCAA Swimming and Diving Rules Book. **If a student-athlete competes in an illegal swimsuit, that student-athlete shall be disqualified from that event. In the event of a relay, the rule shall apply to the disqualification of the relay.** During awards ceremonies, participants must wear their institution's official warm-up uniform.

Logo Policy

An institution's official uniform and all other items of apparel (e.g., team jersey, socks) that are worn by student-athletes in competition may bear a single manufacturers or distributor's normal trademark, not to exceed 2¼ square inches, including any additional material (i.e., patch) surrounding the normal trademark or logo. The logo or trademark must be contained within a four-sided geometrical figure (i.e., rectangle, square, parallelogram).

In addition, an institution's official uniform cannot bear a design element similar to the manufacturer's that is in addition to another logo or that is contrary to the size restriction.

A student-athlete representing an institution in intercollegiate competition is limited to wearing apparel items that include only the logo (not to exceed 2¼ square inches) of an apparel manufacturer or distributor. This restriction shall not include logos that identify the student-athlete's institution or conference.

These restrictions apply to all apparel worn by student-athletes during the conduct of competition, which includes pre-race or post-race activities.

This bylaw will be strictly enforced at all NCAA championships and the names of individuals and institutions that are not in compliance with this bylaw shall be forwarded to the NCAA enforcement staff.

Spectator Information

Artificial Noisemakers

No air horns or artificial noisemakers are allowed, and electronic effects and bands may not play when the meet is in progress.

Banners

The only banners allowed in or around the competition area are those approved by the NCAA Division I Swimming and Diving committee. **Any banners hung by the teams or spectators will be removed.**

Concessions

Concessions will be available for purchase during the Championships. Payment is cashless.

Entrance

Spectators must enter the facility through the main entrance, located on the northeast side of McAuley Aquatic Center, off Ferst Drive (see map in [Appendix F](#)). Doors will open for spectators at 9 a.m. every morning for the preliminary sessions. Doors will open at 5 p.m. every evening for the finals sessions.

First Aid

First aid for fans is available by contacting an usher or ticket taker in your seating area. They will alert event medical staff and provide care as quickly as possible.

First Aid Kits:

- Access Control Desk – next to Sections 101/201
- Member Services Desk, Room 202 at Main Entrance

Public Access AEDs:

- Outside Room 243, halfway down seating area hallway

Flash Photography

Flash photography is prohibited at the start of each race and/or during diving events any time it may distract and potentially endanger the student-athletes.

Heat Sheets

Heat sheets will be available on the Meet Mobile app.

Parking for Spectators

Georgia Tech has several parking locations adjacent to the facility that will serve as parking spaces for fans on event days. Please note that there is NO free or open parking on campus – all vehicles must possess a Georgia Tech parking pass, an event day parking pass or have purchased hourly parking in one of the pay lots on campus to avoid receiving parking tickets during their visit.

Parking locations for spectators is located at any Visitor Lot on Georgia Tech's campus but the suggested parking is in the Student Center Parking Deck (W02). Please see [Appendix H](#) for more detail. Visitor Parking Lots at Georgia Tech can be found [here](#).

Please note that Tech Parkway is reserved for teams, NCAA and volunteers and will be strictly enforced. See the map in [Appendix H](#) for more details.

Tickets

If available, tickets can be purchased online at ncaa.com/tickets, and on-site at the McAuley Aquatic Center on competition days. The ticket office will be open 90 minutes prior to competition. Doors will open 60 minutes before competition for prelim sessions and finals sessions.

Administrative Tickets

All administrators must have a ticket to access the facility if not part of the team's deck pass allotment.

Reminder: Administrator hospitality passes were discontinued in 2025 as there is no longer full meals available for participating team staff.

Allotments

Each institution was offered the opportunity to purchase 40 premium seats on a first-come-first-served basis. Any additional tickets over the initial 40 tickets will be assigned after the deadline in the next best available location on a first-come-first-served basis.

Complimentary Tickets

There are no complimentary tickets for this event.

Diving

In the event of a sellout, a limited number of preliminary diving-only tickets will be available for purchase. These tickets will only be good for preliminary diving sessions – not for finals.

- There will NOT be an opportunity to purchase a Finals or All-Session ticket, even if your diver advances out of preliminaries;
- If tickets are sold out for the 10 a.m. swimming preliminaries and the 6 p.m. finals each day, the preliminary diving ticket will NOT provide access to any of these sessions.
- These tickets are valid for general admission between 11:45 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday. While diving warm-ups begin prior to noon, diving preliminary ticketholders will not be allowed into the facility until 11:45 a.m. Following preliminary diving competition, all diving preliminary ticketholders will be required to exit the facility.
- Tickets will be general admission and be \$10/day. A separate ticket will be required for each day.

Anyone wishing to purchase a diving preliminary ticket may do online after Noon Eastern time, Monday, March 16 for the women's championships and Monday, March 23 for the men's championships. These tickets will NOT be available prior to Noon on Monday.

Will Call Tickets

All purchased tickets will be mobile/digital tickets for both institution and individual purchases. Institutions and Individuals can access their tickets through Georgia Tech Athletics at <https://ramblinwreck.com/myaccount>

Institutional-Guest Tickets

If an institution purchases tickets for student-athlete/coach guests, the institution will receive instructions on how to transfer purchased tickets to their intended recipients through the Georgia Tech ticketing system (Paciolan). Georgia Tech requests a copy of each day's pass list for any troubleshooting on-site, and that list can be sent to gkeel@athletics.gatech.edu. Institutions should contact Greg Keel in the event there is a request for a member of the Georgia Tech staff to distribute physical tickets on site. If an institution requests Georgia Tech to facilitate a manual pass list, the charge for staffing this position will be \$200 per day.

Payment

Credit cards (MasterCard/Visa/American Express/Discover) will be accepted via mobile ordering and on-site. No cash sales.

Ticket Office Hours

If available, tickets can be purchased from the McAuley Aquatic Center ticket desk 60 minutes before the start of each session Wednesday through Saturday. The ticket desk will close one hour after the start of each session Wednesday through Saturday.

Ticket Policies

All fans must possess a ticket and will be asked to show their ticket each time they enter the seating area of the facility. The only exception is for a child under two years of age that will be sitting on an adult's lap. If the child needs his or her own seat at any point during the session, a ticket must be purchased.

Ticket Prices

All Session (8 total sessions)– \$180 (plus fees)

Single Session – \$20 (plus fees)

Transportation/Travel

Expenses/Reimbursement for Participant Institutions

Expense reimbursement for participation in the championships will be filed through an online system. All competing institutions must request reimbursement through the system in order to receive the appropriate reimbursement. Transportation expenses and per diem allowances shall be provided for all qualifying student-athletes and all eligible non-athletes. The Travel Expense System, as well as per diem allowance policies, are available on the [NCAA website](http://www.ncaa.org).

Air Travel

Based on the travel policies, if you are eligible for a flight, please contact Short's Travel Management at 866-655-9215 as soon as possible to arrange your air travel. At any time prior to the selection announcement, you may access the travel portal at www.shortstravel.com/ncaachamps to update your team contact information, travel party roster, equipment manifest and any preferences. Entering this information prior to selections will help expedite the travel booking process required to issue tickets.

If you still need assistance with your Short's Portal user ID and password, please email ncaaalo@shortstravel.com or travel@ncaa.org.

Ground Transportation

Individual sports will be reimbursed a mileage rate per person per mile in accordance with the NCAA travel policy. Individual sports who wish to drive instead of fly will be reimbursed mileage up to the cost of a commercial flight (quote to be obtained from Short's Travel).

Travel Expense System

Per diem will be provided for an official travel party. Please reference the NCAA travel policies for all information regarding transportation and per diem reimbursement. Per diem and other eligible expenses will be reimbursed through the Travel Expense System (TES). Please go to travel.ncaa.org to file for reimbursement or request a travel exception. Registration with an institutional email address is required to access TES through NCAA My Apps. The NCAA travel department may be reached at 317-917-6757, or by email at travel@ncaa.org.

Please reference the NCAA travel policies [here](#). The NCAA travel policy is updated annually and the travel policies supersede all other documents.

Parking for Teams

Each team will receive complimentary parking passes based on the number of student-athletes selected from the institution. The number of passes being provided is outlined in the table below.

Number of Selected Swimmers	Number of Complimentary Parking Passes
1 – 3 swimmers	One
4 – 7 swimmers	Two
8 – 10 swimmers	Three
11 or more swimmers	Four

Please note that, in the event an institution uses a **charter bus**, this will take the place of **two** passes.

In the event a team is bringing at least one diver, an additional parking pass will be added to the team's diving packet.

Parking passes will be included in the team packets picked up at registration. The parking passes provided will allow teams/coaches to park buses on Hemphill Drive or Marshalling Yard at GWCC. Vans and vehicles with participants will be given a parking permit for Tech Parkway (W06) and W04. Parking is first-come, first-served. Refer to [Appendix H](#) for specific parking locations.

If a team has the need to purchase additional parking passes, they may do so by contacting Ciara O'Halloran no later than Tuesday, March 17 (women) or Tuesday, March 24 (men). Additional passes are \$50 for buses and \$30 for cars.

Information on spectator parking is located in the [Spectator Information](#) section of this manual.

Travel Party Size

Please refer to the NCAA travel policies for all information regarding transportation and per diem expenses. Travel policies are located online [here](#). Please reference Appendix A of the travel policies for reimbursable travel party numbers.

Reimbursement and per diem **will not** be provided for any uninvited relay swimmers that were not selected to the championships in an event, any institutionally-funded diver or for any student-athletes who are selected but do not participate in their required event(s).

APPENDIX A – COMPREHENSIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (all times Eastern)

Monday	4 to 8 p.m.	McAuley Aquatic Center open
2 p.m.	Committee Walkthrough	McAuley Aquatic Center
4 to 8 p.m.	Registration	McAuley Aquatic Center
Tuesday	8 a.m. to 9 p.m.	McAuley Aquatic Center open
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Registration	McAuley Aquatic Center
8:30 a.m. to Noon	Scratch box open	
11:30 a.m.	Swimming coaches meeting – VIRTUAL	
4 to 5 p.m.	Scratch box open	
Wednesday	6 a.m. to one hour after finals	McAuley Aquatic Center open
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Registration	McAuley Aquatic Center
8:30 a.m. to Noon	Scratch box open (Thursday events)	
6 to 9:50 a.m.	Warm ups	
9:50 a.m.	Pool cleared	
10 a.m.	Day 1 Swimming Timed Finals	
1 p.m.	Diving coaches meeting – VIRTUAL	
4 to 5 p.m.	Scratch box open (Thursday events)	
4 to 5:50 p.m.	Warm ups	
5:50 p.m.	Pool cleared	
5:51 p.m.	National Anthem	
6 p.m.	Day 1 Finals	
	1,650 Freestyle – last heat of timed finals	
	AWARDS 1,650 FREESTYLE	
	200 Medley Relay – last heat of timed finals	
	AWARDS 200 MEDLEY RELAY	
	45-minute break after completion of final	
	800 Freestyle Relay – last heat timed finals	
	AWARDS 800 FREESTYLE RELAY	
Thursday	6 a.m. to one hour after finals	McAuley Aquatic Center open
8:30 a.m. to Noon	Scratch box open (All Friday events)	
6 to 9:50 a.m.	Warm ups	
9:50 a.m.	Pool cleared	
10 a.m.	Day 2 Swimming Trials	
Noon	One-Meter Diving Trials (men)	
12:15 p.m.	One-Meter Diving Trials (women)	
4 to 5 p.m.	Scratch box open (All Friday events)	
4 to 5:50 p.m.	Warm ups	
5:50 p.m.	Pool Cleared	

5:51 p.m.

National Anthem

6 p.m.

Day 2 Finals

100 Butterfly Final

400 Individual Medley Final

One-Meter Diving Finals – Rounds 1-3

200 Freestyle Final

100 Breaststroke Final

One-Meter Diving Finals – Rounds 4-6

200 Freestyle Relay – last heat of timed finals

AWARDS 100 BUTTERFLY

AWARDS 400 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY

AWARDS 200 FREESTYLE

AWARDS 100 BREASTSTROKE

AWARDS ONE-METER DIVING

AWARDS 200 FREESTYLE RELAY

Friday

6 a.m. to one hour after finals

McAuley Aquatic Center open

8:30 a.m. to Noon

Scratch box open (All Saturday events)

6 to 9:50 a.m.

Warm ups

9:50 a.m.

Pool Cleared

10 a.m.

Day 3 Swimming Trials

Noon

Three-Meter Diving Trials (men)

12:15 p.m.

Three-Meter Diving Trials (women)

4 to 5 p.m.

Scratch box open, all Saturday events

4 to 5:50 p.m.

Warm ups

5:50 p.m.

Pool cleared

5:51 p.m.

National Anthem

6 p.m.

Day 3 Finals

100 Backstroke Final

200 Breaststroke Final

Three-Meter Diving Finals – Rounds 1-3

500 Freestyle Final

50 Freestyle Final

Three-Meter Diving Finals – Rounds 4-6

400 Medley Relay – last heat of timed finals

AWARDS 100 BACKSTROKE

AWARDS 200 BREASTSTROKE

AWARDS 500 FREESTYLE

AWARDS 50 FREESTYLE

AWARDS THREE-METER DIVING

AWARDS 400 MEDLEY RELAY

Saturday

6 a.m. to one hour after finals

McAuley Aquatic Center open

6 to 9:50 a.m.

Warm ups

9:50 a.m.

Pool cleared

10 a.m.

Day 4 Swimming Trials

Noon
4 to 5:50 p.m.
5:50 p.m.
5:51 p.m.

Platform Diving Trials
Warm ups
Pool cleared
National Anthem

6 p.m.

Day 4 Finals

200 Individual Medley Final
100 Freestyle Final
Platform Diving Finals – Rounds 1-2 (women)/Rounds 1-3 (men)
200 Butterfly Final
200 Backstroke Final
Platform Diving Finals – Rounds 3-5 (women) / Rounds 4-6 (men)
400 Freestyle Relay – last heat of timed finals

AWARDS 200 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY

AWARDS 100 FREESTYLE

AWARDS 200 BUTTERFLY

AWARDS 200 BACKSTROKE

AWARDS PLATFORM DIVING

AWARDS 400 FREESTYLE RELAY

TEAM AWARDS

Note: All times are subject to change.

APPENDIX B – SWIMMING PRACTICE/WARM-UP SCHEDULE (all times local)

PRELIMINARIES

6 to 8:30 a.m.	Open warm-up						
8:30 to 9:30 a.m.	<i>All kicking must move to warm-up pool. Swimming only in competition pool. – <u>NO equipment permitted.</u> Swimmers may only dive off the blocks in sprint lanes.</i> <table><tr><td>Lanes 1, 8</td><td>PACE</td></tr><tr><td>Lanes 2, 7</td><td>SPRINT (one way only)</td></tr><tr><td>Lanes 3, 4, 5, 6</td><td>GENERAL</td></tr></table>	Lanes 1, 8	PACE	Lanes 2, 7	SPRINT (one way only)	Lanes 3, 4, 5, 6	GENERAL
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Lanes 4, 5, 6	GENERAL						
9:50 a.m.	Clear competition pool.						

FINALS

4 to 5:30 p.m.	<i>All kicking must move to warm-up pool. Swimming only in competition pool. – <u>NO equipment permitted.</u> Swimmers may only dive off the blocks in sprint lanes.</i> <table><tr><td>Lanes 1, 8</td><td>PACE</td></tr><tr><td>Lanes 2, 7</td><td>SPRINT (one way only)</td></tr><tr><td>Lanes 3, 4, 5, 6</td><td>GENERAL</td></tr></table>	Lanes 1, 8	PACE	Lanes 2, 7	SPRINT (one way only)	Lanes 3, 4, 5, 6	GENERAL
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5:30 to 5:50 p.m.	<i>Swimmers may only dive off the blocks in sprint lanes.</i> <table><tr><td>Lanes 1, 8</td><td>PACE</td></tr><tr><td>Lanes 2, 3, 7</td><td>SPRINT (one way only)</td></tr><tr><td>Lanes 4, 5, 6</td><td>GENERAL</td></tr></table>	Lanes 1, 8	PACE	Lanes 2, 3, 7	SPRINT (one way only)	Lanes 4, 5, 6	GENERAL
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Lanes 4, 5, 6	GENERAL						
5:50 p.m.	Clear competition pool.						

Note: All times are subject to change.

APPENDIX C – DIVING PRACTICE/WARM-UP SCHEDULE (all times local)

Women's Championship Schedule

Monday	4 to 8 p.m.	Open training	
Tuesday	8 a.m. to 9 p.m.	Open training	
Wednesday	8 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. 12:45 to 2 p.m. 2 to 8 p.m.	Open training Diving well closed (Coaches Meeting) Open training	
Thursday	6 to 8:05 a.m. 8 to 11:40 a.m. 11:40 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. 12:15 p.m. After prelims 5 p.m. Approx. 6:27 p.m. After Rounds 1-3 Approx. 7:10 p.m.	Open training Assigned training (4 grps, 55 min each) Open training 1-meter prelims begin Open training 1-meter closed to finalists only 1-meter finals (Rounds 1-3) Training for Rounds 4-6 1-meter finals (Rounds 4-6)	A: _____ B: _____ C: _____ D: _____
Friday	6 to 8:05 a.m. 8 to 11:40 a.m. 11:40 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. 12:15 p.m. After prelims 5 p.m. Approx. 6:25 p.m. After Rounds 1-3 Approx. 7:10 p.m.	Open training Assigned training (4 grps, 55 min each) Open training 3-meter prelims begin Open training 3-meter closed to finalists only 3-meter finals (Rounds 1-3) Training for Rounds 4-6 3-meter finals (Rounds 4-6)	A: _____ B: _____ C: _____ D: _____
Saturday	6 to 7:50 a.m. 7:50 to 11:30 a.m. 11:30 to 11:55 a.m. Noon After prelims 5 p.m. Approx. 6:25 p.m. After Rounds 1-3 Approx. 7:02 p.m.	Open training Assigned training (4 grps, 55 min each) Open training Platform prelims begin Open training Platform closed to finalists only Platform finals (Rounds 1-2) Training for Rounds 4-6 Platform finals (Round 3-5)	A: _____ B: _____ C: _____ D: _____

Note: All times are subject to change. Please double check with scoring table for any changes.

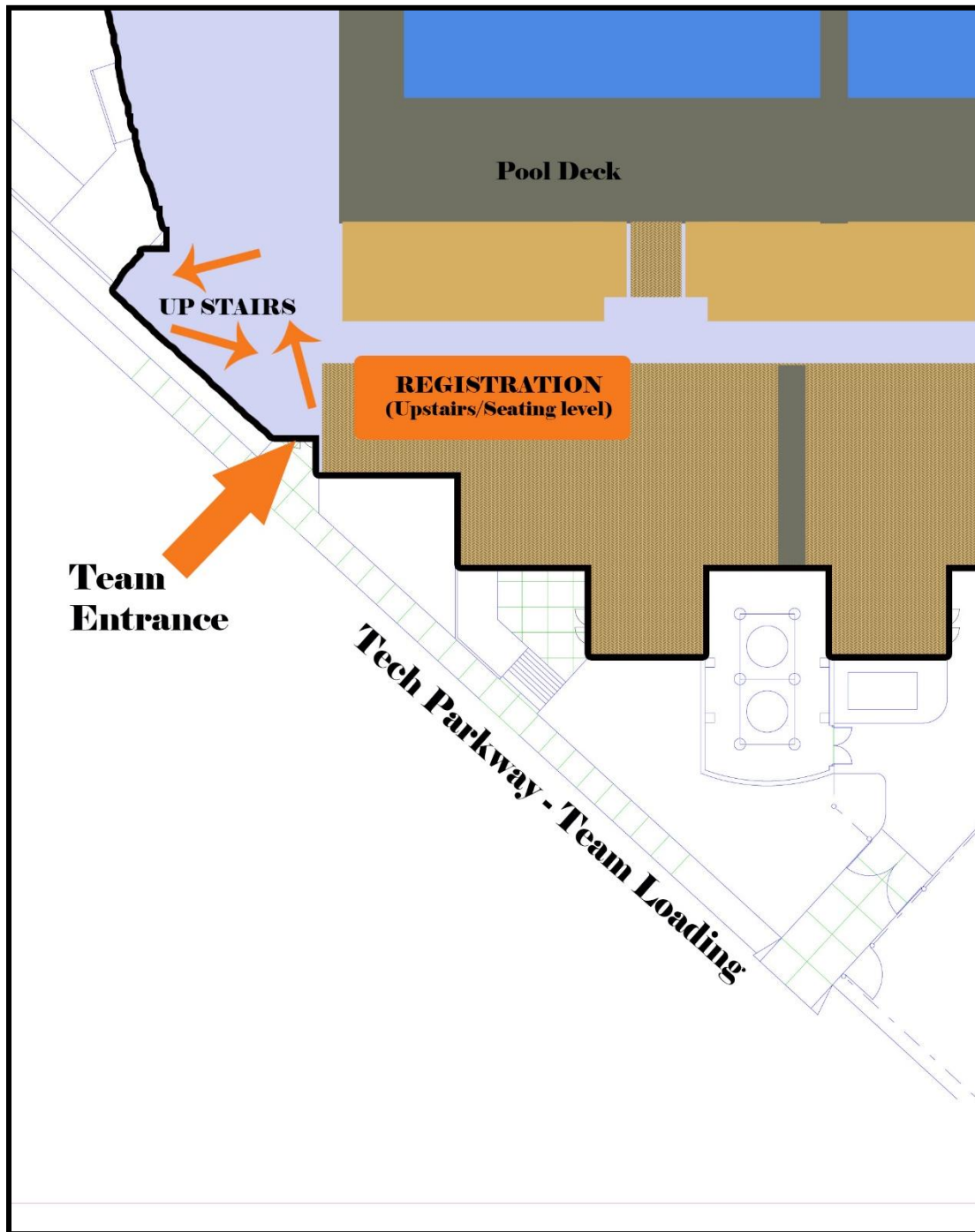
APPENDIX C – DIVING PRACTICE/WARM-UP SCHEDULE (all times local)

Men's Championship Schedule

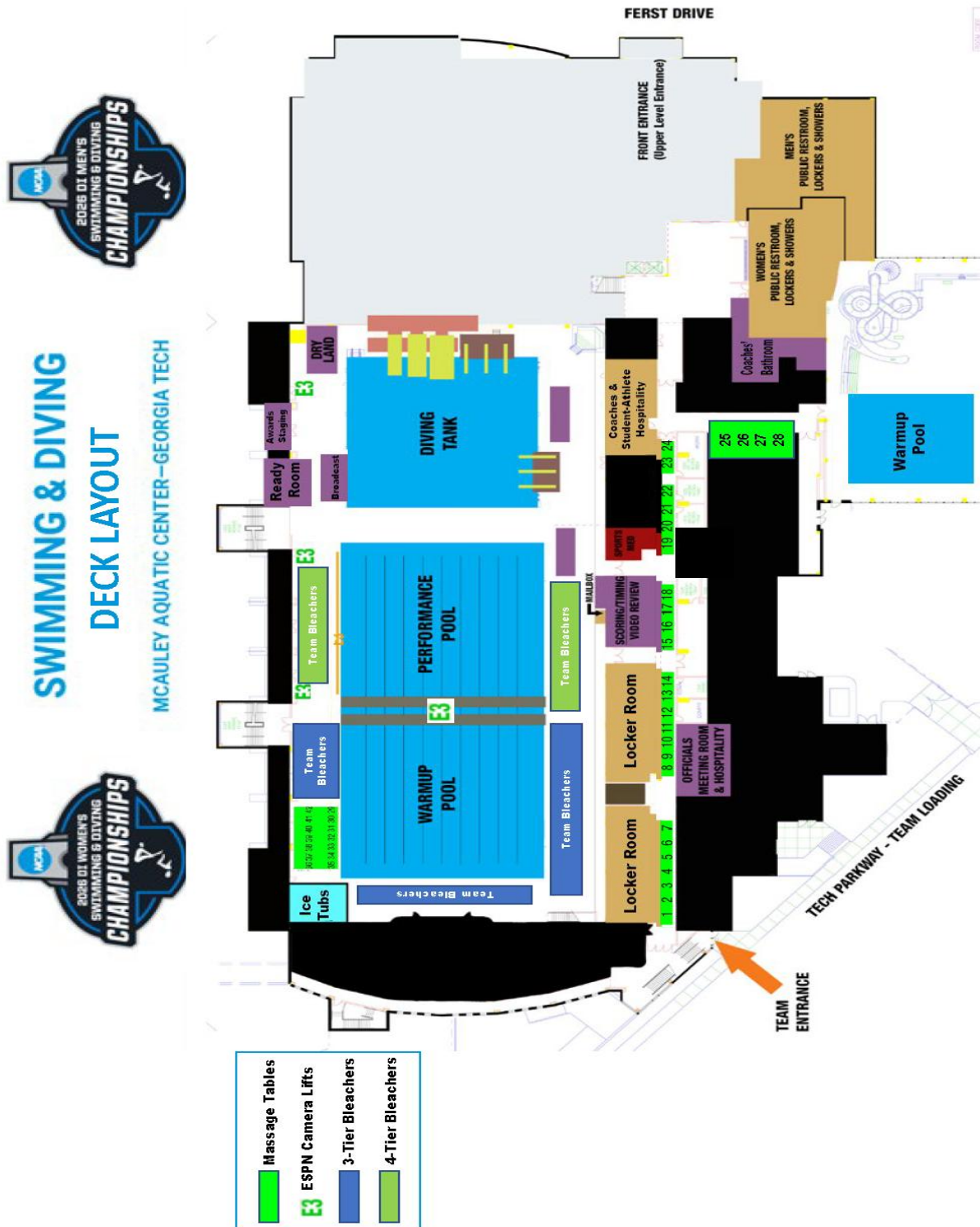
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Saturday	6 to 7:50 a.m. 7:50 to 11:30 a.m. 11:30 to 11:55 a.m. Noon After prelims 5 p.m. Approx. 6:25 p.m. After Rounds 1-3 Approx. 7:08 p.m.	Open training Assigned training (4 grps, 55 min each) Open training Platform prelims begin Open training Platform closed to finalists only Platform finals (Rounds 1-3) Training for Rounds 4-6 Platform finals (Round 4-6)	A: _____ B: _____ C: _____ D: _____

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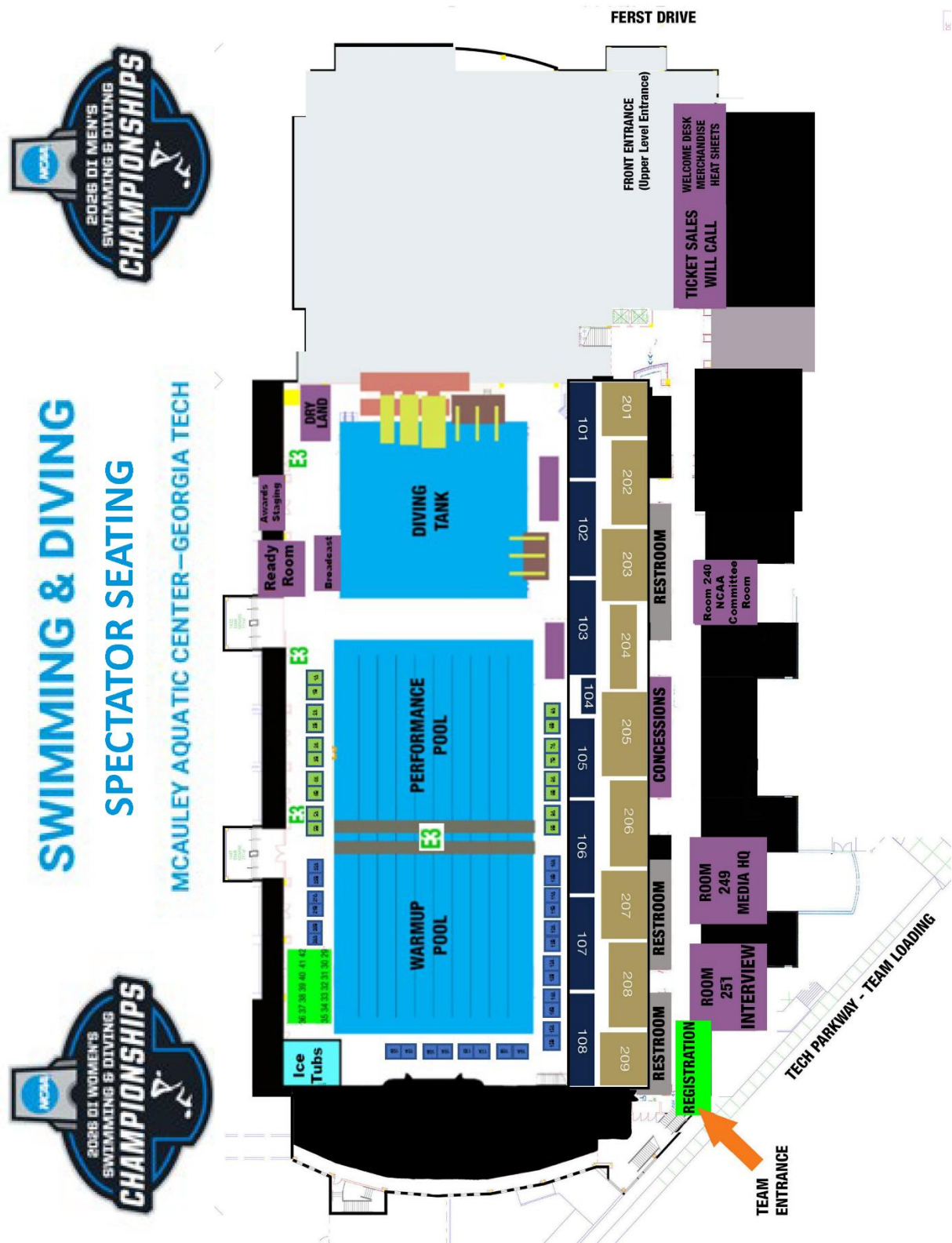
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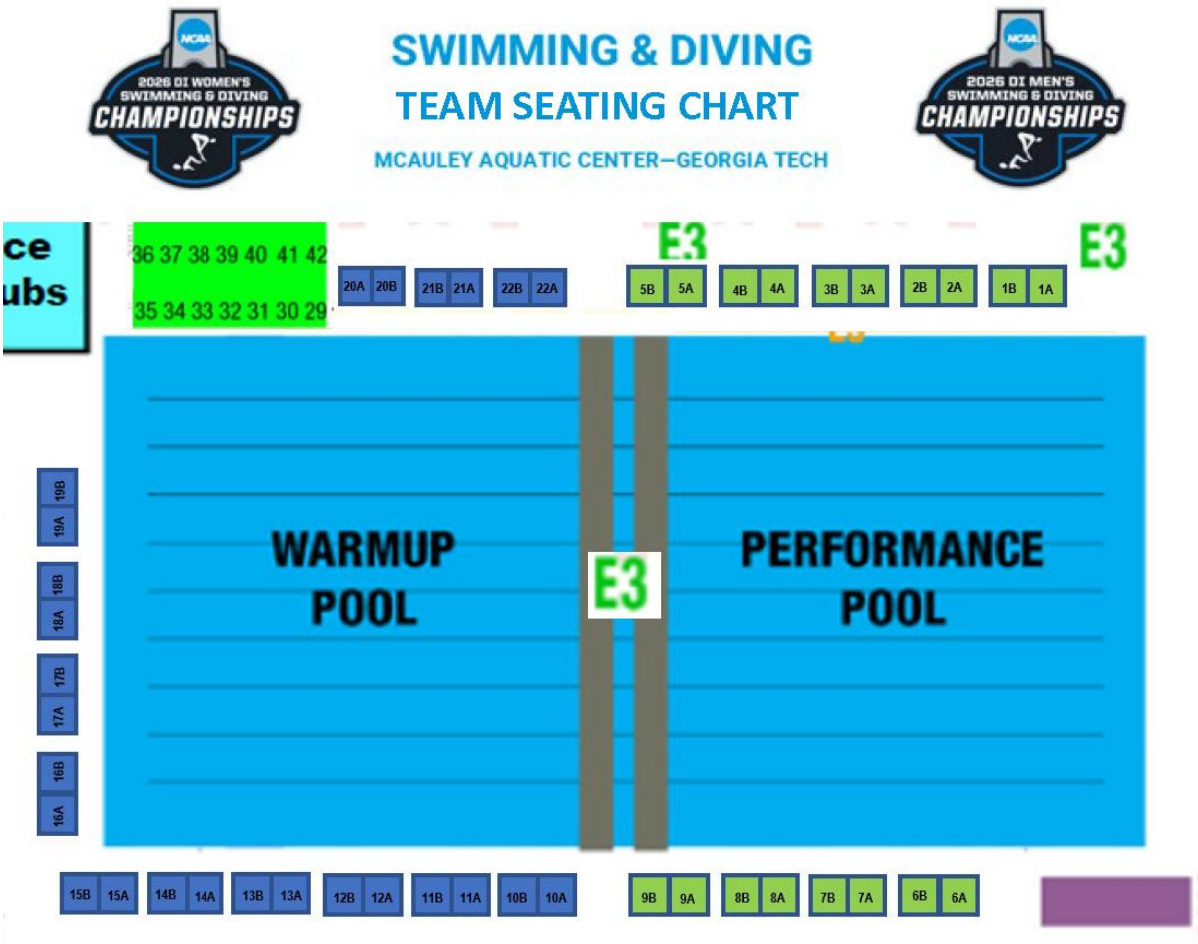
APPENDIX E – DECK LEVEL MAP



APPENDIX F – SPECTATOR SEATING LEVEL MAP



APPENDIX G – TEAM SEATING CHART



APPENDIX H – PARKING MAP



APPENDIX I – EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN

Georgia Tech Campus Police: 404-894-2500

Emergency Equipment:

- AED: Located in the lifeguard station on pool deck in between dive well and competition pool.
- Spineboard: Located on the walls of the pool deck (these are the responsibility of the lifeguards).
- Vacuum Splits: For practice, they will be located in the team room. For competitions they are located near the lifeguard station.
- Supplemental Oxygen: For practice, it will be located in the green back in the team room. For competitions, it will be located in the green bag near the lifeguard station.

Role of the First Responders:

1. Activate GTPD: 404-894-2500
 - a. Provide your name and role
 - b. Address of venue/GPS coordinates
 - c. Number of individuals injured
 - d. Condition of the injured/ill person
 - e. What treatments are being rendered
 - f. Specific directions for EMS and all other pertinent information
 - g. DO NOT HANG UP UNTIL EMS OPERATOR HANGS UP
2. Immediate care of the injured or ill person
3. Emergency equipment retrieval
4. Directions of EMS to scene
 - a. Ingress for EMS will be the main entrance of the Campus Recreation Center.
 - b. Designate an individual to wait for EMS (could be GTPD waiting for EMS while care is being rendered)
 - c. Scene control: limit the scene to first responders

Venue Directions for EMS:

- Located at 750 Ferst Dr NW
- Ingress: An individual (could be GTPD) will meet EMS at the main entrance of the Campus Recreation Center.
 - EMS will be guided to the main elevator and then to the injured person.
- Egress: EMS will exit via the same elevator and back out the main entrance of the Campus Recreation Center.

Important Contacts:

- Brad Kimble: Associate AD for Sports Medicine/Head Football Athletic Trainer
 - Cell: (330) 720-5997
- Andrea Rugley-Clark: Director of Sports Medicine for Olympic Sports
 - Cell: (440) 221-0083
- Angelo Galante: Senior Associate AD for Sports Medicine/Chief Medical Officer
 - Cell: (404) 309-9678
- Jeremy Whitley: Emergency Team Physician
 - Cell: (478) 954-1695
- Caitlin Barra: Swim and Dive Athletic Trainer
 - Cell: (404) 889-7906 OR (404) 704-5364

Fire Evacuation

Emergency Exits:

Closest to Competition Pool Areas:

- On the pool deck, headed towards Parking Deck (2 exits)

Closest to Leisure Pool Areas:

- On the pool deck, towards Tech Parkway

Additional Close Emergency Exits:

- End of Aquatics Hallway, beneath stairs

RESPONSIBILITIES WHEN FIRE IS PRESENT OR ALARMS SOUND:

1. Aquatics Supervisor

- You should receive a notification from the Building Supervisor via radio call or in person that there is a fire or the fire alarm will be sounding
- Grab radio, first aid kit, and flashlight and exit the building
- Delegate tasks among the Lifeguards and Pool Techs
- Monitor for crowd control and evacuation management
- Ensure that the entire Aquatics facility is evacuated (pool and deck) and direct all patrons to exit the building and stand at least 100 feet away
- Stay tuned for updates as the situation unfolds via the radio

2. Lifeguard

- You should receive a notification from the Building Supervisor via radio call or in person that there is a fire or the fire alarm will be sounding
- Grab radio, first aid kit, and flashlight and exit the building
- Sweep all aquatic areas and direct all patrons to exit the building and stand at least 100 feet away
 - Competition Pool
 - Varsity Locker Rooms (knock on doors)
 - Aquatic Locker Rooms (both Men & Women)
 - Classroom #147
 - Scoring & Timing room
 - Lifeguard Offices
 - All other offices
 - Classroom #134
 - Leisure Pool
 - Family Locker Rooms
 - Stadium Seating
- Stay tuned for updates as the situation unfolds via the radio

3. Pool Technician

- You should receive a notification from the Building Supervisor via radio call or in person that there is a fire or the fire alarm will be sounding
- Grab radio, first aid kit, and flashlight and exit the building
- Sweep all aquatic areas and direct all patrons to exit the building and stand at least 100 feet away
 - Competition Pool

- Varsity Locker Rooms (knock on doors)
- Aquatic Locker Rooms (both Men & Women)
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- Stay tuned for updates as the situation unfolds via the radio

WHEN THE “ALL CLEAR” IS GIVEN:

- You should receive a notification from the Building Supervisor, that the fire has been secured and it is safe to enter the building, return to your position
- All staff return to their position and sweep area for any potential damages (i.e. water leaks, glass, etc.) prior to allowing members back in

Medical Emergency Response

Call Georgia Tech Campus Police: 404-894-2500

Definitions:

CODE 100. The building code that indicates a life threatening medical emergency. This phrase deploys the Emergency Response Team to the location of the emergency.

S.A.M.P.L.E.

- Signs and Symptoms – what is the patron exhibiting (seen)? What is the patron feeling (unseen)?
- Allergies – is the patron allergic to anything?
- Medications – is the patron taking any medications? If yes, when was the last intake? Is the medication present?
- Pertinent Medical History – does the patron have any relevant medical conditions?
- Last Oral Intake – when was the last time the patron had any food or drink?
- Events Leading Up – what happened prior to the incident?

NON-LIFE THREATENING MEDICAL EMERGENCY:

Initials Steps:

1. Assess the scene - check for scene safety
2. Check for responsiveness
3. Radio the Building Supervisor
4. “POSITION to Aquatics Supervisor, we have a medical emergency at
5. Check for breathing and a pulse
 - NOTE: If the conscious patron is talking, they are breathing and have a pulse

Secondary Steps:

6. Obtain consent
7. Check for obvious signs of injury

8. Check for medical jewelry
9. Ask S.A.M.P.L.E. questions
10. Care for medical emergency
11. Document the medical emergency via the Accident Report module on Connect2

[If needed] Advanced Care/Calling GTPD & EMS:

1. Call GTPD 404-894-2500 (or 911 if calling from a CRC phone)
2. Care for medical emergency
3. Aquatics Supervisor inform Building Supervisor that GTPD should be arriving and the location of the emergency
4. Delegate a staff member to meet GTPD/EMS at the door Front/Ferst Drive Door: Member Services and Access Control
5. Delegate someone to hold the elevator (if emergency is on 1st, 4th, or 5th floor)
6. Document the medical emergency via the Accident Report module on Connect2

LIFE THREATENING MEDICAL EMERGENCY: CODE 100

Initials Steps:

1. Assess the scene - check for scene safety
2. Check for responsiveness
3. Radio, Code 100 to all staff "POSITION to All staff, we have a CODE 100 at LOCATION."
4. Radio Access Control to all GTPD 404-894-2500 (or 911 if calling from a CRC phone)
5. Check for breathing and pulse

Secondary Steps:

6. Emergency Response Team will arrive to the scene with AED and First Aid Kit
7. Care for medical emergency

Additional Steps:

8. Delegate a staff member to meet GTPD/EMS at the door
 - Front/Ferst Drive Door: Member Services and Access Control
9. Delegate someone to hold the elevator (if emergency is on 1st, 4th, or 5th floor)
10. Document the medical emergency via the Accident Report module on Connect2

Severe Weather Response

Definitions:

Watch. The threat or potential for something to develop is present. Think: "we are watching for it."

Warning. Severe weather has developed, and immediate action is necessary. Think "warning, warning, it is here!"

Severe Weather Safety Zones:

Closest to Aquatics Areas:

1. Hallway outside Lifeguard Office
2. Locker Rooms (including Varsity Locker Rooms)
3. Classroom #147

4. Emergency Staircases

Initial Priorities When Severe Weather is Concerning (Watch):

When severe weather conditions are of concern, staff should monitor conditions at www.weather.com, www.noaa.gov, and/or @GTPDalerts on Twitter.

If a warning has been issued for Fulton County, that does not necessarily mean campus is a concern – GTENS will automatically be sent out if campus is in the path of severe weather. Staff should follow GTENS alerts and respond accordingly.

1. Aquatics Supervisor AND Lifeguards

- After receiving the Tornado Watch radio call from the Building Supervisor, monitor conditions via the CRC weather radio or at www.weather.com, www.noaa.gov, and/or @GTPDalerts on Twitter and prepare for conditions to worsen into a warning.

Initial Priorities When Severe Weather is Here (Warning):

1. Aquatics Supervisor

- You should receive a notification from the Building Supervisor, either a PA announcement, radio call, or in person that there is a Tornado Warning
- Grab radio, first aid kit, flashlight, and CRC weather radio
- Delegate tasks among the Lifeguards
- Monitor for crowd control and evacuation management
- Ensure that the entire Aquatics facility is evacuated (pool and deck)
- Stay tuned for updates as the situation unfolds via the radio and monitor @GTPDalerts via Twitter or GTENS (email and/or texts)

2. Lifeguards

- You should receive a notification from the Building Supervisor, either a PA announcement, radio call, or in person that there is a Tornado Warning
- Grab radio, first aid kit, and flashlight and head to weather safety zone
- Sweep aquatic areas and direct all patrons to the weather safety zones
 - Competition Pool
 - Varsity locker rooms (knock on doors)
 - Aquatic locker rooms (both Men & Women)
 - Classroom #147
 - Scoring & Timing room
 - Lifeguard offices
 - All other offices
 - Classroom #134
 - Leisure Pool
 - Family locker rooms
 - Stadium Seating
- One Lifeguard will need to prop open Emergency Exit doors that go from the Leisure Pool hallway to the staircase and stay in the hallway.
- Stay tuned for updates as the situation unfolds via the radio and monitor @GTPDalerts via Twitter or GTENS (email and/or texts)

3. Pool Technician

- You should receive a notification from the Building Supervisor, either a PA announcement, radio call, or in person that there is a Tornado Warning=
- Grab radio, and head to weather safety zone
- Sweep aquatic areas and direct all patrons to the weather safety zones
 - Competition Pool
 - Varsity locker rooms (knock on doors)
 - Aquatic locker rooms (both Men & Women)
 - Classroom #147
 - Scoring & Timing room
 - Lifeguard offices
 - All other offices
 - Classroom #134
 - Leisure Pool
 - Family locker rooms
 - Stadium Seating
- Stay tuned for updates as the situation unfolds via the radio and monitor @GTPDalerts via Twitter or GTENs (email and/or texts)

WHEN THE “ALL CLEAR” IS GIVEN:

- You should receive a notification from the Building Supervisor, that the warning has been lifted and it is safe to return to your position
- All staff return to their position and sweep area for any potential damages (i.e. water leaks, glass, etc.)

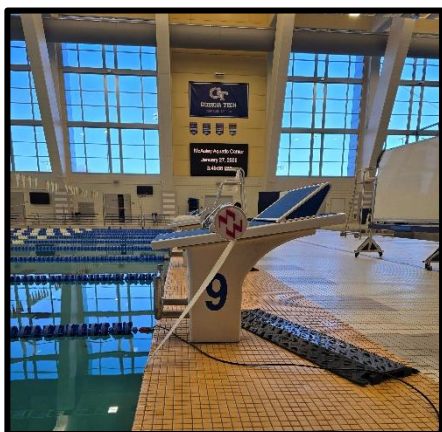
APPENDIX J – FACILITY SPECIFIC INFORMATION



TIMING SYSTEM/TOUCHPADS

The OMEGA Timing System will be used for the NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Championships. The touchpads allow each swimmer to stop the clock by exerting pressure of between 3.3 and 5.5 pounds on panels at the ends of each lane.

All touchpads will be gutter-hung design. Both the start end and the turn end of the pools will be equipped with gutter-hung touchpads. The warm-up pool will have two lanes equipped with gutter-hung touch pads at each end, along with OSB Tops.

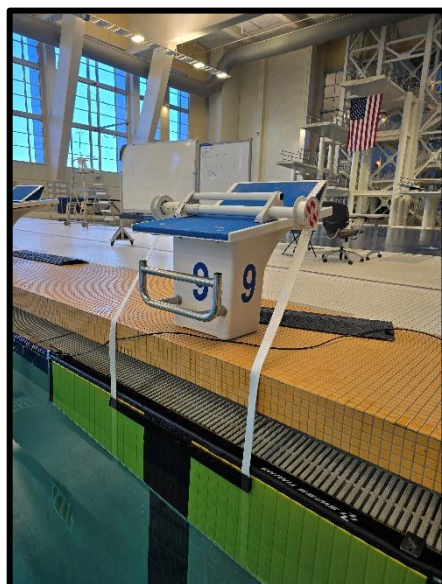


OLYMPIC STARTING BLOCK

The Olympic Starting Block Top is a part of the new generation of starting blocks. It has an inclined foot-rest, which allows a significant improvement of thrust when the swimmer starts. This proven technology has been adapted to the new starting block. The OSB is designed in fiberglass to ensure the platform robustness while optimizing its weight. The platform is covered with an anti-skid surface providing comfort and safety.

Please note: The wedge on the block top is adjustable, however; not removable.*

BACKSTROKE LEDGE



The OSB are equipped with the Backstroke Ledge OBL2 Pro. The OBL2 Pro improves the start push and trajectory of the swimmer when entering the water. The length can be set to give different positions using a manual rotating system.

Please note: Timing staff will place the backstroke ledge prior to Relay event, but removal during the relay will be the responsibility of the athletes.*

NOTE: The picture here is for the backstroke ledge. The starting block at the competition venue is pictured above in the Olympic Starting Block section.



RELAY EXCHANGE REVIEW CAMERAS

The Swiss Timing High Speed Video system will be used for relay exchanges and backup timing. The High-Speed Video system is a hardware/software solution for video-based time measurement. The high-speed cameras of the system are directed at the finish. During a race, the system captures the video data generated by the cameras on hard disk. Browsing through the recorded video sequence, the system provides the time of race for every recorded image. This approach makes it possible to judge exactly when a competitor reaches a defined location, by finding the corresponding image in the video.

A big advantage of the system is the high temporal resolution. Its high-speed cameras generate 100 full frames per second. An important feature of the High-Speed Video system is the camera synchronization. The system guarantees that the images for all

cameras are grabbed synchronously. This makes it possible to film the finish from multiple perspectives or divide a long finish line into up to 4 sections without losing comparability of times. Another advantage of the system is that it is equipped with its own high precision time base so that it can be used as a full back up in competitions.



15-METER MARK REVIEW CAMERAS

The NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Championships will be deploying a Swiss Timing camera system for review of any 15-meter mark violation. This is a 4-camera system set from the vantage point of the official making the call. The system records at over 60 fps. The cameras will be used to determine if an official's call of a 15-meter mark violation is accurate and should be upheld.

APPENDIX K – ICE TUB FILL TIMES (all times local)

Wednesday 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. McAuley Aquatic Center open

9 a.m.	Ice Tub Filled
1 p.m.	Ice Tub Filled
6:15 p.m.	Ice Tub Filled

Thursday 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. McAuley Aquatic Center open

10:45 a.m.	Ice Tub Filled
Noon	Ice Tub Filled
6:30 p.m.	Ice Tub Filled
7:30 p.m.	Ice Tub Filled

Friday 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. McAuley Aquatic Center open

10:45 a.m.	Ice Tub Filled
Noon	Ice Tub Filled
6:30 p.m.	Ice Tub Filled
7:30 p.m.	Ice Tub Filled

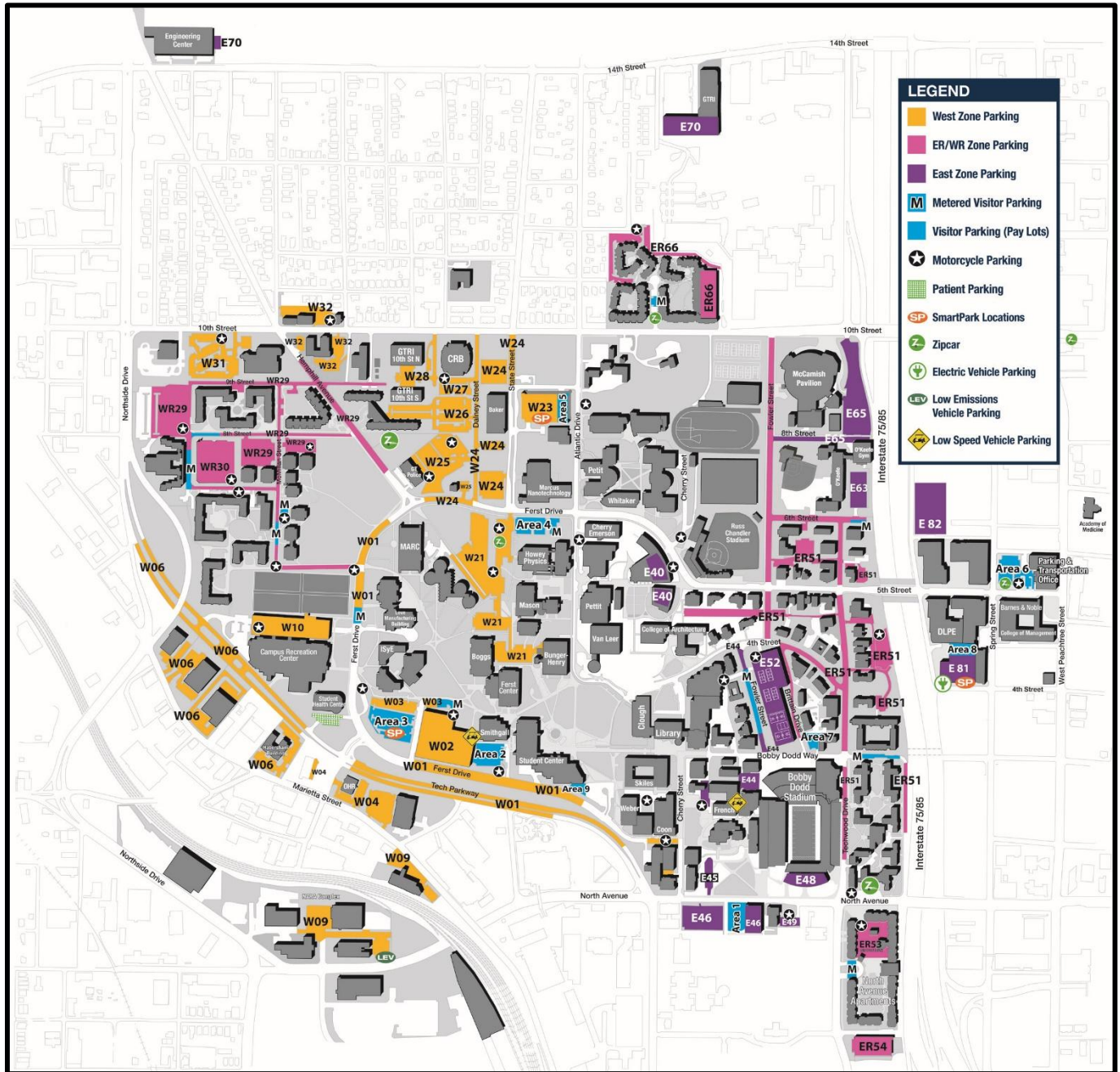
Saturday 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. McAuley Aquatic Center open

10:45 a.m.	Ice Tub Filled
Noon	Ice Tub Filled
4:30 p.m.	Ice Tub Filled
6:30 p.m.	Ice Tub Filled
7:30 p.m.	Ice Tub Filled

APPENDIX L – OFF SITE POOLS OPTIONS

Off-site pool time before 4 p.m. Monday; subject to availability.	
Chastain Park Athletic Club Tim Storsteen Tstorsteen@hotmail.com 404-307-1464	Marist School Chris Marshall marshallc@marist.com 404-376-0609
Pace Academy John Ague jague@paceacademy.org	
Off-site diving wells before 4 p.m. Monday; subject to availability.	
Marist School (1 meter only) Chris Marshall marshallc@marist.com 404-376-0609	

APPENDIX M – GEORGIA TECH CAMPUS MAP



APPENDIX N – ATLANTA AREA MAP



DIRECTIONS TO BOBBY DODD STADIUM AT HISTORIC GRANT FIELD

FROM NORTH, TRAVELING SOUTH ON I-75/85:


1. Take the North Avenue Exit
2. Turn right onto North Avenue
3. At the first light, turn right onto Techwood Drive
4. Continue one block, and the Stadium will be on your left, at the intersection of Techwood Drive and Bobby Dodd Way

FROM SOUTH, TRAVELING NORTH ON I-75/85:

1. Take the Spring Street/West Peachtree Exit
2. After crossing Spring Street, turn left onto West Peachtree
3. At the first light, turn left onto North Avenue
4. After crossing over I-75/85, turn right onto Techwood Drive
5. Continue one block, and the Stadium will be on your left, at the intersection of Techwood Drive and Bobby Dodd Way



NCAA Event Direct – NEW - First-time installation & registration instructions

1. Navigate to <https://web3.ncaa.org/eventdirect/pwa/index.html> on your mobile device. Do **NOT** utilize this link on a laptop; mobile devices only.
 - a. iOS – In Safari, tap the share icon  in the center at the bottom of your screen. Tap “Add to Home Screen” and click “Add” to confirm. Event Direct will now appear on your phone’s home screen.
 - b. Android – In Chrome, an onscreen prompt will appear with a prompt to add the app to the home screen. If this prompt does not appear, tap the “3 dots” icon to the top right and select “Add to Home Screen.” Event Direct will now appear on your phone’s home screen.

I don’t have or I’m not sure if I have an NCAA/MyApps account

2. On the Event Direct home page, navigate to the dropdown menu via icon in the top left. Choose **Select an Event**.
3. Select the desired event from the list. You will be moved to that event’s home page.
4. Scroll to the bottom and select **Register for This Event**. You will be moved to the registration page for the event.
5. Upon entering your email address, if the app identifies you have an existing NCAA My Apps account, a screen will appear with the option to reset your password. **Skip ahead to step #18.**
6. Otherwise, proceed with entering all the requested information and then select **Register**.
7. A notice will appear indicating a validation email has been sent to the email address provided.
8. Locate the email **NCAA Event Direct System Account Request**. Click the link in the email. A new page will appear.
9. Create and confirm a password and select **Submit**
10. Return to the Event Direct app. On the Home page, navigate to the left column dropdown menu. Choose **Login**.
11. Enter the email address/password that comprise your newly created NCAA My Apps account. You are now logged into Event Direct and will return to the home page of your registered event. **Skip ahead to step #23.**

I have an NCAA/MyApps account and I know my password

12. On the Event Direct home page, navigate to the dropdown menu via icon in the top left. Choose **Login**.
13. Enter the email address and password of your existing NCAA My Apps account. You are now logged into the Event Direct app and will be returned to the app home page.
14. Navigate again to the left column dropdown menu and choose **Select an Event**. Select the desired event from the list. You will be moved to that event’s home page.
15. Scroll to the bottom and select **Register for This Event**. You will be moved to the registration page for the event.
16. Your email address, first/last name, institution/organization will pre-populate. Enter your desired role(s) from the dropdown list of options as well as your mobile phone number. Select **Register**. **Skip ahead to step #23.**


I have an NCAA/MyApps account and I don’t know my password

17. On the Event Direct Home page, navigate to the dropdown menu via the icon in the top left. Choose **Login**.
18. On the login screen, choose the Forgot Password option and proceed through that process. Upon resetting your password, navigate again to the left column dropdown menu of the Event Direct app and choose **Login**.
19. Enter the email address and password that comprise your NCAA My Apps account. You are now logged into the Event Direct app and will be returned to the app home page.
20. Navigate again to the left column dropdown menu and choose **Select an Event**
21. Scroll to the bottom and select **Register for This Event**. You will be moved to the registration page for the event.
22. Your email address, first/last name, institution/organization will pre-populate. Enter your desired role(s) from the dropdown list of options as well as your mobile phone number. Select **Register**.
23. A notice will appear on the bottom of the page indicating you have registered for the event and are awaiting confirmation by an NCAA championships operations administrator. Once confirmed, this message will disappear and you will have access to additional features for your selected event.



NCAA Event Direct - RETURNING - installation & registration instructions

I utilized NCAA Event Direct during the 2023-24 Championship Season

1. Navigate to the NCAA Event Direct app on your phone; this will be the same mobile app you utilized during the 2023-24 championship season. **Move ahead to step #5 or step #10 as appropriate.**
2. If you deleted the app, navigate to <https://web3.ncaa.org/eventdirect/pwa/index.html> on your mobile device. Do **NOT** utilize this link on a laptop; mobile devices only.
 - a. iOS – In Safari, tap the share icon  in the center at the bottom of your screen. Tap “Add to Home Screen” and click “Add” to confirm. Event Direct will now appear on your phone’s home screen.
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3. **Move ahead to step #4 or step #9 as appropriate.**

I have an NCAA/MyApps account and I know my password

4. On the Event Direct Home page, navigate to the dropdown menu via the icon in the top left. Choose **Login**.
5. Enter the email address and password of your existing NCAA My Apps account. You are now logged into the Event Direct app and will be returned to the app home page.
6. Navigate again to the left column dropdown menu and choose **Select an Event**. Select the desired event from the list. You will be moved to that event’s home page.
7. Scroll to the bottom and select **Register for This Event**. You will be moved to the registration page for the event.
8. Your email address, first/last name, institution/organization will pre-populate. Enter your desired role(s) from the dropdown list of options as well as your mobile phone number (which is **required** to receive text message notifications). Select **Register**. **Skip ahead to step #15.**

I have an NCAA/MyApps account and I don’t know my password

9. On the Event Direct Home page, navigate to the dropdown menu via the icon in the top left. Choose **Login**.
10. On the login screen, choose the Forgot Password option and proceed through that process. Upon resetting your password, navigate again to the left column dropdown menu of the Event Direct app and choose **Login**.
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APPENDIX P – PARTICIPATION AWARDS

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR TEAM'S SUCCESS!

To celebrate your accomplishment, the NCAA is gifting Student-Athlete Mementos on-site at the Championship!



*The number of Student-Athlete Mementos you receive will match the NCAA-prescribed travel party size.

HOW TO PURCHASE ADDITIONAL STUDENT-ATHLETE MEMENTOS

To purchase additional mementos beyond your travel party allotment, follow the steps below.

1. Navigate to <https://ncaa-champ-mementos.myshopify.com/> OR scan the QR code on this page.
2. Enter the password: **DIGIFT25_26**
3. Select your Championship Logo.
4. Choose the quantity of additional gifts you'd like and add them to your cart.
5. At checkout, provide your contact information and the shipping address for delivery.
6. Enter your payment information (all gifts must be paid for at checkout).
7. Submit your order.



Orders for additional Student-Athlete Mementos will be processed and shipped within two weeks.

QUESTIONS?

Reach out to Morgan England at morgan@yiworks.com