

Name of Meet:

2026 North Charleston Shark Madness

Date of Meet:

March 13th – March 15th

Meet Sanction: Held under the sanction of USA Swimming issued by SC Swimming:
Sanction Number SC2698SCY
Time Trial Number SC2699TT

Host Club:

City of North Charleston Swim Club

Meet Director:	Sydney Clinton	sclinton@northcharleston.org	843-697-9425
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Facility:

North Charleston Aquatic Center
8610 Patriot Blvd.
North Charleston, SC 29420

Indoor 20-lane 25-yard pool with a moveable bulkhead and non-turbulent lane lines that will be used for competition and warm-down. Bleacher seating for over 1000. Spectators may bring chairs and tents to use on the outside patios and grass areas. Chairs, food, and coolers are not permitted on the pool deck. Medical supervision will be provided by lifeguard staff. There is an AED on site.

The water depth of the competition and warm down courses is seven (7) feet, measured from one (1) meter to five (5) meters, at the starting end of the course, and seven (7) feet, measured from one (1) meter to five (5) meters, at the turn end of the course. The competition course has been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4). The copy of certification is on file with USA Swimming.

Rules: Meet to be conducted in accordance with the current USA Swimming and SC Swimming Rules and Regulations and information herein.

Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, restrooms, or locker rooms. Use of these devices is also not allowed behind the blocks.

Operation of a drone, or any other flying apparatus, is prohibited over the venue (pools, athlete/coach areas, spectator areas and open ceiling locker rooms) any time athletes, coaches, officials and/or spectators are present.

Deck changing is prohibited by South Carolina & USA Swimming. A first offense will result in the disqualification of the offending swimmer from the next scheduled event. The second offense for the same swimmer will result in the disqualification from the remainder of the meet.

SWIMWEAR: No technical suit may be worn by any 12&U USA Swimming athlete member in competition at any Sanctioned, Approved, or Observed meet (USA Swimming Rule 102.8.1F).

MAAPP 2.0: All adults participating in or associated with this meet, acknowledge that they are subject to the provisions of the USA Swimming Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy ("MAAPP"), and that they understand that compliance with the MAAPP policy is a condition of participation in the conduct of this competition.

The use of pull buoys, paddles, kickboards and other equipment is prohibited in the warm-up lanes.

There will be a designated swimmer area. This area will be clearly marked and is only open to those swimming in the meet and coaches/volunteers. Parents are not to enter nor sit in this area.

Athlete Eligibility: This meet is open to all swimmers currently registered with USA Swimming. All USA Swimming registration numbers will be verified with SWIMS. Age is to be determined on the first day of the meet. ***Contact meet host before sending in entries to confirm there is still space available.***

All swimmers may enter any event in which they do not have an Age Group Sectional or Senior Sectional (Spring) qualification cut. Swimmers entered in the Senior classification may not swim any individual event in which they have the current Senior Sectional Championship time standard. Any swimmer 14 or younger may not compete in any event, in either their age group or senior, in which the swimmer has the current Age-group Sectional Championship time standard for their age as of the first day of the meet.

Any swimmer entered in the meet must be certified by a USA Swimming member coach as being proficient in performing a racing start or must start each race from within the water. When unaccompanied by a USA Swimming member coach, it is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement.

Image Release: By attending or participating in this competition, you agree to be filmed and photographed by the host club approved photographer(s) and videographer(s) and to allow the right to use names and pictures before, during, or after the meet such as in public psych sheets, heat sheets, and results or featured on the host club or SCLSC website or social media or in public broadcast of the event via television or webcast. Parents and guardians of minor swimmers who do not wish their swimmers to participate in interviews or have individual pictures featured on any media should inform their team's head coach and the Meet Director prior to the start of the meet.

Entry Fees:	\$4.00 per Individual event \$28.00 pool/facility fee per swimmer \$5.00 electronic heat sheet fee per swimmer \$2.00 SCLSC Travel Fund/Program fee per swimmer \$2.00 SCLSC Sports Development fee per swimmer \$2.00 out-of-LSC Travel Fund/Program fee per swimmer \$8.00 relay fee \$8.00 per deck/late entry \$10.00 per time trial
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Entry limit: 11 & Over athletes may enter up to three (3) individual events per day. 10 & Under athletes may enter up to four (4) individual events and one (1) relay per day. All athletes may enter a total of eight (10) individual events for the meet. A Time Trial, exclusive of relays, is counted as an event.

Make checks payable to "City of North Charleston". Entry fees are non-refundable. Deck entries will be accepted for empty lanes only. No additional heats will be created for deck or late entries.

Meet Format:

This is a prelims/finals meet and will be limited to approximately 350 swimmers per session and/or 700 total athletes entered in entire meet. North Charleston reserves the right to enter all its swimmers if those limits are met.

The Meet Director reserves the right to adjust the warm-up times and start times. The Meet Director reserves the right to limit events, heats, time trials and number of swimmers per team to conform with the 4 hour provision for 12 and Under sessions in accordance with Rule 205.3.1F.

Warm-up procedures: Team lane assignments will be made for each session. All SCLSC and USA Swimming safety guidelines will be enforced.

Unused competition pool will be open for warm-up/warm-down during the meet.

Deck entries will be accepted at \$8 per event for open lanes only. No new heats will be added.

All 11-12, 13-14, and Senior events on Saturday and Sunday will be conducted as Preliminary/Finals events. Three heats of ten (10) return for finals in all the 50 events along with the 11/12, 13/14 and Senior 100 Free. Two heats of 10 will return for all other events. Heats will be contested in finals in the following order: "C" heat if required, consolation "B" heat, and championship "A" heat.

The host club will attempt to announce the names of swimmers in each "A" championship heat prior to the start of the event.

The meet will be conducted according to this meet information and the SCLSC Policies and Procedures.

Seeding will be done in order of SCY times, SCM times, and then LCM times.

The 400 Individual Medley and 500 Freestyle events on Friday evening will be deck seeded and require a positive check-in that closes 4:45pm. Heats will be swum fastest to slowest and alternating women, then men. Athletes must enter a time, provable in SWIMS, to compete in these 2 events.

Coaches with 11 & O swimmers entered in more than three events per day must scratch a swimmer from the excess events. This needs to be done by the start of warm-ups for each session. Coaches are encouraged to not over enter swimmers.

There will be no penalty for not swimming in the seeded preliminary events or relays; it would be appreciated if a coach would inform Clerk of Course of any swimmers or relays scratching from the meet (SC Swimming Policies and Procedures XI.E.6.c, XI.E.6.d).

The penalty for missing a deck-seeded event will result in being barred from the swimmer's next individual event (SC Swimming Policies and Procedures XI.E.6.e).

Any swimmer not planning to swim during a finals session must scratch so those swimmers who would like to swim again may do so. The penalty for failure to show in a final or consolation final is being barred from the swimmer's next individual event (SC Swimming Policies and Procedures XI.E.6.f).

Exceptions for failure to compete – no penalty shall apply for failure to report or swim an event if (1) the meet referee is notified in event of illness or injury and accepts the proof thereof, (2) a swimmer qualifying for a final based upon the results of preliminaries notifies the meet referee within thirty (30) minutes of the announcement of the qualifiers for that final event that they may not intend to compete and further declares their final intentions within thirty (30) minutes following their last individual preliminary event, (3) a swimmer qualifying for a final event, as a result of scratches following announcement of the qualifiers based upon

the results of preliminaries or failure of a qualifier to swim, or (4) if it is determined by the meet referee that failure to compete is caused by circumstances beyond the control of the swimmer.

It is the coaches' and swimmers' responsibility to check for ties leading to swim-offs. Swim-offs will be swum immediately following the preliminary session or not more than 45 minutes after the last heat of any event in which any one of these swimmers is competing in that session. Any swimmer not present for a swim-off will be dropped to the lower place.

Time trials will be conducted at the end of the session and at the discretion of the Meet Referee. Time trial fees must be paid upon entry at the Clerk of Course. A time trial is counted as an individual event. Each swimmer swimming in a time trial will be required to provide their own timer.

Time of Meet:

Friday Warm-up: 4:00 p.m.
Friday Meet Start: 5:15 p.m.

Saturday/Sunday Morning Preliminary Session Warm-Up: 7:30 a.m.
Saturday/Sunday Morning Preliminary Session Meet Start: 8:30 a.m.

Saturday/Sunday Afternoon Timed Finals Session Warm-Up: Not Before 12:00 p.m.
Saturday/Sunday Afternoon Timed Finals Session Meet Start: Not Before 1:00 p.m.

Saturday/Sunday Evening Finals Session Warm-Up: Not Before 4:00 p.m.
Saturday/Sunday Evening Finals Session Meet Start: Not Before 5:00 p.m.

Entries:

Entries are to be sent to SportsTiming, Inc. Go to www.sportstiming.com, click on upcoming meets and click on 2026 North Charleston Shark Madness. Complete the form, upload the entry file, and click submit. You will receive an email confirmation. If you need to submit updated entry files, you are able to do so until the entry deadline. Entry questions can be emailed to meet.support@sportstiming.com.

Entries are due by 8pm on Tuesday, March 3rd, 2026

SC Swimming does not accept deck registrations as all swimmers entered must be registered at time of entry deadline.

Awards:

Individual Events: Ribbons for First through Tenth place

Scoring:

No scoring.

Timing:

Timing and Data Processing will be provided by Sports Timing, Inc. Colorado electronic timing system, with touch pads & plungers will be used. Stop watches will also be used.

**Coaches
Eligibility:**

Coaches must be coach members of USA Swimming and present credentials through USA Swimming App at start of meet. Coaches meeting will be announced by email prior to meet.

**Other
Information:**

Certified officials are welcome to assist with the meet. Please contact Mark Posey at (803) 331-9968. Texts preferred.

For more information, contact Doug Fetchen at dfetchen@northcharleston.org or at (843) 291-7831.

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Friday, March 13th, 2026
Warm-up 4:00 pm, Timed Finals 5:15 pm
Session 1

Women		Men
1	12 & Under 200 IM	2
3	11 & Over 200 Fly	4
5	12 & Under 100 Fly	6
7	11 & Over 400 IM*	8
9	9 & Over 500 Free*	10

(* positive check-in closes at 4:45pm)

Saturday, March 14th, 2026
Warm-up 7:30 am, Preliminaries 8:30 am
Session 2

Women		Men
11	11-12 50 Free	12
13	13-14 50 Free	14
15	Senior 50 Free	16
17	11-12 50 Fly	18
19	13-14 100 Fly	20
21	Senior 100 Fly	22
23	11-12 100 Back	24
25	13-14 200 Back	26
27	Senior 200 Back	28
29	11-12 50 Breast	30
31	13-14 100 Breast	32
33	Senior 100 Breast	34
35	11-12 200 Free	36
37	13-14 200 Free	38
39	Senior 200 Free	40

Saturday, March 14th, 2026
Warm-up not before 12:00 pm, Timed Finals not before 1:00 pm
Session 3

Women		Men
41	10 & Under 50 Free	42
43	10 & Under 100 Back	44
45	10 & Under 25 Free	46
47	10 & Under 50 Breast	48
49	10 & Under 50 Fly	50
	5 minute break	
51	10 & 200 Free Relay	52

Saturday, March 14th, 2026
 Warm-up not before 4:00 pm, Finals not before 5:00 pm
 Session 4

Women		Men
11	11-12 50 Free	12
13	13-14 50 Free	14
15	Senior 50 Free	16
17	11-12 50 Fly	18
19	13-14 100 Fly	20
21	Senior 100 Fly	22
23	11-12 100 Back	24
25	13-14 200 Back	26
27	Senior 200 Back	28
29	11-12 50 Breast	30
31	13-14 100 Breast	32
33	Senior 100 Breast	34
35	11-12 200 Free	36
37	13-14 200 Free	38
39	Senior 200 Free	40

Sunday, March 15th, 2026
 Warm-up 7:30 am, Preliminaries 8:30 am
 Session 5

Women		Men
53	11-12 100 Free	54
55	13-14 100 Free	56
57	Senior 100 Free	58
59	11-12 50 Back	60
61	13-14 100 Back	62
63	Senior 100 Back	64
65	11-12 100 IM	66
67	13-14 200 IM	68
69	Senior 200 IM	70
71	11-12 100 Breast	72
73	13-14 200 Breast	74
75	Senior 200 Breast	76

Sunday, March 15th, 2026
 Warm-up not before 12:00 pm, Timed Finals not before 1:00 pm
 Session 6

Women		Men
77	10 & Under 50 Back	78
79	10 & Under 100 Free	80
81	10 & Under 25 Back	82
83	10 & Under 100 Breast	84
85	10 & Under 25 Fly	86
87	10 & Under 100 IM	88
89	10 & Under 200 Free	90

Sunday, March 15th, 2026
Warm-up not before 4:00 pm, Finals not before 5:00 pm
Session 7

Women		Men
53	11-12 100 Free	54
55	13-14 100 Free	56
57	Senior 100 Free	58
59	11-12 50 Back	60
61	13-14 100 Back	62
63	Senior 100 Back	64
65	11-12 100 IM	66
67	13-14 200 IM	68
69	Senior 200 IM	70
71	11-12 100 Breast	72
73	13-14 200 Breast	74
75	Senior 200 Breast	76

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Meet Entry Summary Sheet

Total Number of Swimmers _____	x \$2.00 SCLSC Travel Fund/Program Fee	= \$ _____
Total Number of Swimmers _____	x \$2.00 SCLSC Sports Development Fee	= \$ _____
Total Number of out-of-LSC _____	x \$2.00 SCLSC Travel Fund/Program Fee	= \$ _____
Total Number of Swimmers _____	x \$28.00 Facility Fee	= \$ _____
Total Number of Swimmers _____	x \$5.00 Electronic Heat Sheet Fee	= \$ _____
Total # Individual Events _____	x \$4.00 Individual Events	= \$ _____
Total # Relay Events _____	x \$8.00 each	= \$ _____
Total Fees:		= \$ _____

Team: _____ Team Code: _____

Number of coaches at meet: _____

Head Coach: _____

Send e-mail results to: _____

Send Paper copy in lieu of e-mail to: _____

It is understood and agreed that USA Swimming shall be free from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event. It is further understood that SC Swimming, City of North Charleston, North Charleston Swim Club and SportsTiming, Inc. shall be free from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event.

Mail check, payable to "City of North Charleston", for the above amount and a signed copy of this form to:

Doug Fetchen
108 Hulton Lane
Summerville, SC 29485