



# 2019 Aquastar 10 & Under Halloween Invitational



Hosted by:  
Aquastar Swimming  
10 & under  
October 19-20, 2019  
Sanction # GU-SC-20-015

**LOCATION:** Clear Falls High School  
4300 Village Way  
League City TX, 77573

Directions: I-45 south Exit League City Parkway (TX-96 east) Turn Left at League City Parkway take League City Parkway for 6.5 miles. High School will be on the Right. There is a light at Laurence ST, turn Right. *Notarium is to the far left of the school.* Parking can be in front or behind the pool.

**COACHES:** Jeaneen Dale Head Coach [jmjohn0113@yahoo.com](mailto:jmjohn0113@yahoo.com)

**POOL:** One Eight lane, 25 yard indoor pool with non-turbulent lane lines. There is not a separate warm/cool down area for swimmers

**TIME AND DATE:** This is a times finals meet

Session 1: Saturday, October 19, 2019  
Warm-up at 11:00 AM  
Meet starts at 12:30 PM

Session 2: Sunday, October 20, 2019  
Warm-up at 11:00 AM  
Meet starts at 12:30 PM

Lane assignments for warm-ups and timing will be designated in the heat sheet, and posted on the Gulf Swimming website at least by the Monday, October 14, 2019 prior to the start of the meet

**MEET TYPE:** This meet will be run utilizing the "Flyover Starts" procedures unless a waiver is received from the Technical Planning Committee Chair. At the conclusion of each heat, the swimmers shall remain in the water until after the next heat is started. Coaches, please remind your swimmers of the "Flyover Start" procedures.

**MEET REFEREE:** Donna Dormiani [donnadormiani@hotmail.com](mailto:donnadormiani@hotmail.com)

**ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICIAL:** Amy Schauss [amyschauss@yahoo.com](mailto:amyschauss@yahoo.com)

**MEET DIRECTOR:** Christina Klun [christina\\_lombardo@yahoo.com](mailto:christina_lombardo@yahoo.com)

**SAFETY MARSHAL:** Valerie Loe, Jaqueline Ferguson

**SAFETY GUIDELINES AND WARM-UP PROCEDURES:** See attached Safety Guidelines

**SEEDING:** The meet will be a pre-seeded meet for events of 200 yards/meters or shorter

**SCRATCHING:** **Deadlines:** Scratches turned to Clerk of Course by 11:45 PM

**Relays:** Properly completed relay cards must be turned in to the Clerk of Course by 11:45 PM

**CHECK-IN:** All swimmers must positively check-in with the Clerk of the Course for events of 400 yards/meters or longer. Swimmers are required to positively check-in by 11:45 PM. After the events are officially closed, no one may check-in or scratch. After checking-in, failure to appear at the starting blocks will result in the swimmer being assessed a \$5.00 fine, payable to Gulf Swimming Administrative Vice-Chair, for each event in which he/she fails to appear. Relay cards must be turned in to the Coaches and Officials must be present their membership cards in order to receive complementary Heat Sheets and for admission to the Hospitality Room.

**ON-DECK ENTRIES:** Late entries will be accepted each day up to **45 minutes** before the start of each session. Those swimmers missing the 6:00 PM. Wednesday, October 9, 2019 deadline may enter the meet on-deck in the following manner:

1. Swimmers must pay double the entry fee at the time of entry.
2. Swimmers must supply completed entry forms. The swimmers will be seeded into open lanes.
3. Swimmers must enter all events for the session forty-five (45) minutes prior to the start of the session's first event.
4. Swimmers must be qualified to swim the event entered.
5. Swimmers must not exceed the allotted number of events allowed each day.
6. A heat will be added, if necessary and if the timeline permits.

**ENTRY INFORMATION: Entry Times:** Swimmers must enter at their best time. Entry times must be submitted in the course at which the best time was achieved –short course yards (Y), short course meters (S), or long course (L). Do not convert meter (yard) times to yard (meter) times. If entries are made by paper (not using HY-Tec), swimmers should indicate on their entry the course at which the entry time was made (i.e. Y.S. L). If swimmers have never competed in the USA Swimming meet before, put a NT where a seed time is requested.

**Age:** As of October 19, 2019

**Number of Events:** Swimmers may compete in –

6 & under 3 individual events per day 1 relay

8 years old 4 individual events per day 1 relay (no 500 yard Free)

9 & 10 year old 4 individual events per day 1 relay (no 25 yard events)

**Qualifying Times:** 9 & 10: Must have 200 Free B time to enter 500 Free

**No more than 4 relays teams per age group on each swim team.**

**Deadline:** Entries must be in the hands of the Meet Entry Chair no later than **6:00 PM. on Wednesday, October 9, 2019** No late entries will be accepted. Do not send entries via Federal Express, etc., that require a signature; if you must send your entries by express mail, please indicate that a signature is NOT required. Mail or hand deliver entries to the Meet Entry Chair at:

Amy Schauss  
832-630-6512  
amyschauss@yahoo.com

**Entries:** All teams entering 10 or more swimmers MUST submit their entries on a diskette or electronically via e-mail, using the HY-TEK MEET MANAGER/HY-TEK TEAM MANAGER computer software, along with a hard copy printout of the entries. Teams without HY-TEK should submit their entries on the enclosed Entry Form. A \$25.00 fee must be included with the entry fees for teams that enter 10 or more swimmers using an entry form only (without sending HY-TEK files). Include relays and relay-only swimmers on your completed entry form, diskette, or

electronic submission.

Teams may electronically mail their MEET MANAGER files. Payments for the electronic entries and a hard copy print-out of the entries must be submitted or postmarked no later than 24 hours after the entry deadline as stated in the Meet Announcement.

**Eligible Teams:** Only swimmers attached to these Gulf Swimming Group **HCAP, SWAT, SHAC, TTST, LAP, SHARK, SSS, COOG, AQUA** Teams, or swimmers in the documented process of transferring to one of these listed teams. Other teams, may participate in this Invitational meet to fill meet capacity on a first come first served basis (4 hour rule).

**Fees:** \$6.00 per Individual Event

\$9.00 for each Relay event.

\$5.50 per swimmer Swimmer Surcharge Fee

Make checks payable to *Bay Area Aquanauts (aka Aquastar)*.

Mail entry fees (**POSTMARKED BY Friday, October 11, 2019**) to the address below:

**Aquastar**  
4115 Plumtree Lane,  
Seabrook, TX 77586

**AWARDS:** Individual Events: Ribbons 1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> place

Relay Events: Ribbons 1<sup>st</sup> -3<sup>rd</sup> place

**SCORING:** Individual Events: 9-7-6-5-4-3-2-1

Relay Events: 18-14-12-10-8-6-4-2

Individual Events will be scored 6 & under, 7, 8, 9, and 10

**RULES AND SANCTIONS:**

The 201x-1x USA Swimming and Gulf Swimming rules will apply. The meet will be held under the sanction of USA Swimming and Gulf Swimming. It is understood and agreed that USA Swimming and Gulf Swimming shall be free from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event. No entries can be accepted unless the entrant is a registered member of USA Swimming as provided in Article 302. On-deck USA Swimming membership registration will not be permitted.

**POOL MEASUREMENT:**

The competition course has been certified in accordance with USA Swimming Rule 104.2.2C(4). The copy of such certification is on file with USA Swimming.

The water depth of the competition course is *6' 2" feet* measured from 1 meter to 5 meters on the starting end of the course, and *12; 8" feet* measured from 1 meter to 5 meters on the turning end of the course.

**TIMING SYSTEM:**

Colorado Model 6000 electronic timing system

Two watches per lane will be used as a back-up. Teams will be required to furnish timers based on their percentage of swims at the meet. Timing assignments will be published on the Gulf website. Swimmers in the 500 Free must provide 2 timers.

**POOL DECK RESTRICTION:**

Because of USA Swimming Insurance Safety Regulations, the swimming pool deck, during the operation of all Gulf Swimming sanctioned meets, is closed to all persons except swimmers, coaches, marshals, officials, meet personnel, and timers. All registered non-athletes are required to display their current USA Swimming registration card. If you are asked to leave the deck by any registered personnel, please do so. It is for your safety.

Coaches and Officials must present their membership cards in order to receive complimentary Heat Sheets and for admission to the Hospitality Room.

No food is allowed on deck. Please have swimmers go outside to eat

**MAAP POLICY:**

All applicable 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.

**DECK CHANGING PROHIBITION:**

Except where venue facilities require otherwise, changing into or out of swimsuits other than in locker rooms or other designated areas is not appropriate and is prohibited.

**AUDIO/VIDEO RECORDING DEVICES:**

Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in the area behind the starting blocks, in changing areas, restrooms, showers or locker rooms. Violators may be reported to law enforcement or other governmental authorities and/or may be barred from the facility during the sanctioned event.

- DRONES:** Operation of a drone, or any other flying apparatus, is prohibited over the venue (pools, athlete/coach areas, officials and open ceiling locker rooms) any time athletes, coaches, officials and/or spectators are present. Exceptions may be granted with prior written approval by the Vice President of Program Operations.
- PROOF OF TIME:** Any swimmer that cannot prove that he/she was eligible to swim an event will be fined \$20.00 for each event he/she fails to prove. The fine or proof of time is sent to the Administrative Vice-Chair, Henry Clark
- UNACCOMPANIED SWIMMERS:** Any swimmers 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 member coach, it is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement.
- SWIMMERS WITH DISABILITIES:** Coaches and/or swimmers are responsible for notifying the Meet Referee of any disability prior to the competition and for providing their own assistant or equipment. However, Coaches/Swimmers may contact the Meet Director at least two weeks in advance of the meet to reserve Gulf Swimming equipment (remote strobe).
- CONCESSIONS:** Concessions will be available.
- HOSPITALITY:** A hospitality room will be available. Coaches and Officials must present their membership cards in order to receive complimentary Psych Sheets and for admission to the Hospitality Room
- MERCHANDISE:** **Southwest Swim Shops** will be at the meet selling swim apparel and swim gear, Saturday and Sunday.
- MEET RESULTS:** Meet results will be posted on the Gulf Swimming Web Page ([www.gulfswimming.org](http://www.gulfswimming.org)), within three days after the conclusion of the meet. Unofficial results will be available on Meet Mobile.

**COACHES, PLEASE ADD TO THE HALLOWEEN THEME WITH YOUR FAVORITE HALLOWEEN SOCKS, SHIRTS, OR ATTIRE.**



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Entry rules:	
Type of Meet	Timed Finals
<b>Max # individual events/ day</b>	
<b>6 &amp; under</b>	<b>3 per day - 1 relay</b>
<b>7 &amp; 8 yr olds</b>	<b>4 per day - 1 relay</b>
<b>9 &amp; 10 yr olds</b>	<b>4 per day - 1 relay</b>
Swimmers eligible	USA Swimming Registered Swimmers
Entry times in	SCY/SCM/LCM
Qualifying times	9 & 10: Must have 200 Free B time to enter 500 Free
Cut-off times	None
Enter with no time?	Yes
Gulf "three event" rule applies?	Does not apply
Gulf "up/down" rule applies?	Does not apply
Fees	Individual - \$6.00, Relays - \$9.00
Swimmer surcharges	\$5.50 (this includes electronic heat sheet charge)

Girls	Saturday Oct. 19 <sup>th</sup> Event			Boys
1	9 & 10	200 IM Relay		2
3	8 & under	100 IM Relay		4
5	7 & up	200	free	6
7	8 & under	25	back	8
9	10 & under	50	fly	10
11	9 & 10	100	back	12
13	8 & under	25	breast	14
15	10 & under	50	free	16
17	9 & 10	100	breast	18
19	10 & under	100	IM	20

Girls	Sunday Oct. 20 <sup>st</sup> Event			Boys
21	9 & 10	200 Free Relay		22
23	8 & under	200 Free Relay		24
25	9 & 10	200	IM	26
27	8 & under	25	free	28
29	10 & under	50	breast	30
31	9 & 10	100	fly	32
33	8 & under	25	fly	34
35	10 & under	50	back	36
37	7 and up	100	free	38
39	9 & 10	500	Free*	40

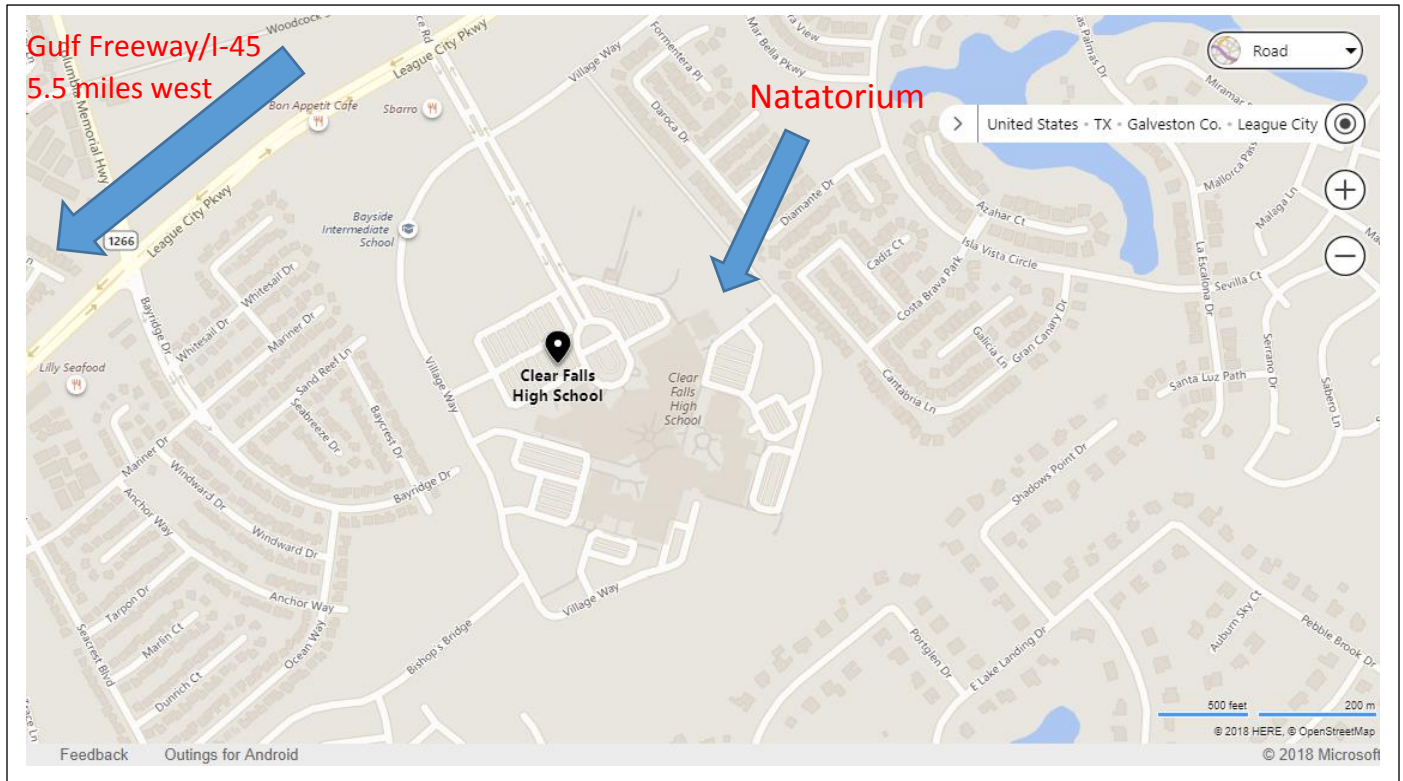
**Individual Events will be swum combined and scored separately 6 & under, 7, 8, 9 and 10**

**\*The 500 Freestyle will be swum alternating girls' and boys' heats. Swimmers entered in this event must provide 2 timers and a lap counter where applicable.**

# Clear Falls High School

4380 Village Way

League City TX 77573



**NOTE:** There is plenty of parking and tent space. In the event of rain, please do not set up tents near the mud and please have the swimmers stay out of any muddy areas.



## GULF SAFETY GUIDELINES AND WARM-UP PROCEDURES

### WARM-UP PROCEDURES

- A. General warm-up (Initial portion [1/2] of the warm-up session or with the agreement of all of the coaches in a particular lane.)
1. **NO DIVING OR RACING STARTS** allowed from the blocks edge of the pool. Swimmers must enter the pool feet first cautiously.
  2. **NO SPRINTING OR PACE WORK** allowed during this general warm-up session.
- B. Specific warm-up (Last portion [1/2] of the warm-up session or with the agreement of all of the coaches in a particular lane.)
1. **RACING STARTS ONLY**, either from blocks or from backstroke starts.
  2. Lanes are **ONE WAY ONLY**.

### SAFETY GUIDELINES

#### A. Swimmers Responsibilities

1. All swimmers without a registered coach to observe them at the meet, and/or their coaches, should arrange, prior to their arrival at the meet, for a registered coach to observe them during the warm-up, competition and warm-down. Any unattached or unattended swimmers who have not made previous arrangements with a coach to observe them at the meet should contact the Meet Director, Safety Marshal or Meet Referee for assistance in making such arrangements prior to their participating in the warm-up.

#### B. Coaches Responsibilities

1. Coaches shall instruct their swimmers regarding safety guidelines and warm-up procedures as they apply to conduct at meets and practice.
2. Coaches shall stand near the starting end of the pool when starting swimmers on sprint and pace work.
3. Coaches shall actively supervise their swimmers throughout the warm-up session.
4. Coaches shall maintain as much contact with their swimmers as possible, both verbal and visual, throughout the warm-up period.
5. Registered coaches of unattached swimmers and registered coaches of non-Gulf teams should notify the meet host by the entry deadline if they will be at the meet, so that they may be assigned to a warm-up lane.

#### C. Safety Marshals

1. Appointed Safety Marshals are members of USA Swimming and have the authority to remove from the deck for the remainder of the warm-up session, any swimmer or coach who is in violation of safety guidelines or warm-up procedures. **THE MEET REFEREE MAY EXERCISE ADDITIONAL ADJUDICATION AUTHORITY AS NECESSARY.**

#### D. Miscellaneous

1. Swimmers should be reminded by coaches that breaststrokes need more lead time than freestyle or butterfly swimmers.
  2. Backstrokers shall ensure that they are not starting at the same time as a swimmer on the blocks. Swimmers shall not step up on the starting blocks, when a backstroker is waiting to start.
  3. Swimmers shall not jump or dive into the pool to stop another swimmer on a recalled start.
  4. Swimmers are required to exit the pool upon completion of their warm-up to allow other swimmers adequate warm-up time. The pool is not for visiting or playing during warm-up periods.
  5. Warm-up procedures shall be enforced for any breaks, scheduled or otherwise, during the competition.
  6. All diving boards and equipment are **OFF LIMITS**.
- E. Pool Rules
1. Smoking or use of other tobacco products is not allowed on the grounds of USA Swimming meets.
  2. Glass containers are prohibited.
  3. Swimmers, coaches, and spectators are expected to observe all rules and regulations included in the announcement.



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## ENTRY VERIFICATION

I, the undersigned coach or team representative, verify that all of the swimmers and coaches listed on the enclosed entry forms or entry disk are currently registered with USA Swimming. Additionally, I verify that the on-deck coaches have met the current certification requirements.

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Signature

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Title

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Date