



2026-27 Competition Updates and Post Meet Fees

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Overview of Post Meet Fee Structure - 2026-2027 season

Meet Type	Definition		Post Meet Fees
Varsity Meets	Meets with only Varsity swimmers following OUA rules		\$100 Admin Fee
Class I Time Trial	Record Attempts		\$100 Admin Fee
Class II Time Trial	Maximum 2 hour session - limited to 50 swimmers & 2 events - no awards/scoring/records - Simplified Meet package		\$100 Admin Fee
In House Competition (Age Group / Masters)	Maximum 3 hour session - 1 club only - no awards/scoring/records - Simplified Meet Package - Host can charge an entry fee		\$3 per swimmer
Age Group Invitationals & Masters Meets	Invitationals (Closed or Open) - Sessions no longer than 4.5 hours - includes non-conforming Yard meets	1 day Inv Meets	\$4 per swimmer
		2 Day Inv Meets	\$9 per swimmer
		3 Day Inv Meets	\$15 per swimmer
		4 Day Inv Meets	\$24 per swimmer

Disclaimer: Consecutive-day competitions must be sanctioned as a single meet, splitting into multiple sanctions is not permitted.

Note: HST will be added to all PMF invoices

2026-2027 Post Meet Fees

The new per-swimmer, per-day fee structure offers flexibility for meet entry fee adjustments by adding or amending a swimmer fee to meet packages & event files.

When calculating total costs, include the base fee, 13% HST, and REMS service fees (3.4% for CC or 2.5% for PAD).

Estimated totals using CC:

1-day: \$4.70 (Base \$4)

2-day: \$10.50 (Base \$9)

3-day: \$17.50 (Base \$15)

4-day: \$28.00 (Base \$24)

Swimmer Count in Post Meet Fees

The swimmer count will be based on the Results File athlete count.

Not the entry summary report.

You can see these counts for meets that were invoiced in REMS beginning in January (Meet Invoicing / click “i” under action column for each meet - look at line 1)

Invoice Detail							← Back
Options							
Invoice							
Description	Invoice No	Meet Name	Email	Status	Date		
Line No.	Description	Quantity	Unit Price		Tax	Total	
1	Fee Per Athlete	88	0.00		0.00	0.00	
2	Fee Per Event	177	0.00		0.00	0.00	
3	Flat Fee	1	0.00		0.00	0.00	
4	Per Day Fee	1	0.00		0.00	0.00	
5	Per Session Fee	1	0.00		0.00	0.00	
6	Sanctioning Fee	1	0.00		0.00	0.00	

Swim Ontario Competition Sanctioning Obligations

Effective September 1, 2026

The updated procedure can be found [HERE](#).

Procedure Updates

- Effective September 1, 2026 for sections 6 & 7.
- The procedure has been restructure with easier flow of information.
- Updates on processes based on REMS functions
- New definition of In House Competition
- A new Deck Capacity and Session Management section (6)
- A new Sanction Duration & Post-Meet Fee Application section (7)
- Additional updates may be required based on Swimming Canada rules updates planned for September 1.

Sanction Duration & Post-Meet Fee Application Update (Section 7)

- What constitutes 1 competition and its duration
- What may be considered separate competitions
- Determining factors during sanction review and post meet review as to competition length
- Non compliance consequences
- Post-meet fees adjustment and re-invoicing

Splitting Competitions

Clubs are not permitted to divide competitions into separate sanctions when:

- Held on consecutive days
- At the same facility/permit
- Under same organizing structure

Key principle:

Session format, age groups, or swimmer splits do NOT create separate competitions

Historical Concurrent Meets: What is changing?

Nothing for legitimate historical concurrent competitions.

Examples may include:

- Developmental meet operating alongside a senior meet
- Separate competition operations
- Separate results and event programs

These may continue to be considered separate competitions.

Swim Ontario retains sole and final discretion in determining whether competitions constitute separate competitions or a single multi-day competition for sanctioning and fee purposes.

Sanction Applications

Requirements & Deadlines

Sanctioning Requirements for Age Group Meets

The Officials Development Program remains in place for the 2026-2027 season

To determine the eligibility for sanction requirements:

For sanctions taking place before October 30, 2026, the achieved TIER will be based on the 2025-2026 season ending TIER with no affiliated officials, however, the TIER will be determined as of the date of sanction application for sanctions on or after October 30, 2026. Clubs will be required to have their officials registered and Active in order to apply for the desired TIER sanctions.

The Sanctioning Matrix can be found [HERE](#).

MEET LISTING IN REMS

- Listing (advertising) of meets is open.
- Sanctioning requirements (ODP) will be verified before approval
 - If ODP is not satisfied, the club must contact Nicole and provide a plan.
- Dates must be after Thanksgiving weekend (after October 12, 2026)
- Sanctioning Event will be “Meet Listing” - no other option
- Meet Category & Meet Type as described in the next slides.

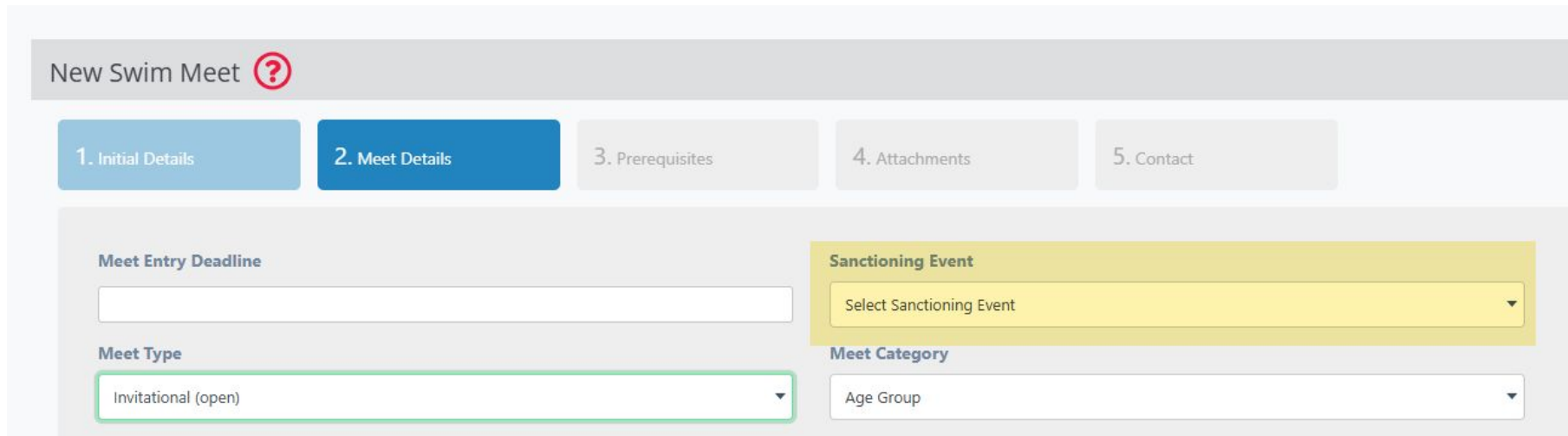
Sanction Application will not be accepted until September 1 and the club is affiliated for next season.

MEET CATEGORY

- The **Meet Category** options in REMS determines which section of the rule book & procedures are applicable
 - **Age Group** - Age Group Swimming Competitions
 - **Masters** - Masters Competitions
 - **Varsity** -Varsity Meets
 - **Do not select** RSEQ - Collegiale or Summer. None of those apply in Ontario
 - Open Water - contact Swim Ontario first

SANCTIONING EVENT

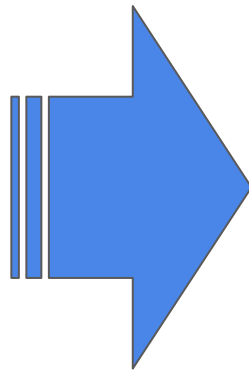
- The **Sanctioning Event** is the setting to determine **Post Meet Fees**.
- It is important to select the correct Sanctioning Event for the competition.
- An incorrect Sanctioning Event cannot be simply “edited”.
 - The sanction application **must be Rejected** and then the club will need to start over and select the correct Sanctioning Event option in REMS.



The screenshot shows the 'New Swim Meet' form in the REMS system. The form has a header 'New Swim Meet' with a red question mark icon. Below the header are five tabs: '1. Initial Details', '2. Meet Details', '3. Prerequisites', '4. Attachments', and '5. Contact'. The '2. Meet Details' tab is active. The form contains several fields: 'Meet Entry Deadline' (text input), 'Meet Type' (dropdown menu with 'Invitational (open)' selected), 'Sanctioning Event' (dropdown menu with 'Select Sanctioning Event' selected, highlighted in yellow), and 'Meet Category' (dropdown menu with 'Age Group' selected). The 'Sanctioning Event' dropdown is the focus of the slide.

SANCTIONING EVENT - CHANGES

- Time Trial Sanction
 - Only applies to Class I and II Time Trials
- In House Sanction
 - Only applies to In House Competition with 1 session, 3 hours max session
- Varsity Sanction
- 1-day Invitational
- 2-day Invitational
- 3-day Invitational
- 4-day Invitational



Includes Open and Closed Invitationals
& Regional Championships for both Age
Group & Masters

See next slide for more details on selection of **Meet Category**, **Meet Type** and **Sanctioning Event**

SANCTIONING EVENT - OPTIONS

Sanctioning Event

Select Sanctioning Event

Select Sanctioning Event

~~Swimming Canada Meet Sanction~~

~~Provincial Meet Sanction~~

1-day Invitational

2-day Invitational

3-day Invitational

4-day Invitational

In House Sanction

Time Trial Sanction

Varsity Sanction

Flat Admin Fee sanctions



Meet Categories	Meet Type	Sanctioning Event	Restrictions	Application Deadlines	Post Meet Fees + HST
Age Group, Masters or Varsity	Class II Time Trial	Time Trial Sanction	1 session only. No more than 50 swimmers and 2 hours long. Maximum 2 events per swimmer No records No awards / scoring Simplified Meet Package	1 week	\$100 Admin Fee
Age Group, Masters or Varsity	Class I Time Trial	Time Trial Sanction	For record attempts only. Open. Generally 1 or 2 events and very few swimmers. Can charge an entry fee. Must be sanctioned 3 days before the record attempt.	5 Business days	\$100 Admin Fee
Varsity	Closed Invitational	Varsity Sanction	Closed to certain teams Dual/Tri 1 session meets Each session cannot exceed 4.5 hours	4 weeks	\$100 Admin Fee
Varsity	Varsity	Varsity Sanction	Multi-session Each session cannot exceed 4.5 hours Varsity only swimmers	4 weeks	\$100 Admin Fee

Meet Category: Age Group or Masters



Meet Type	Sanctioning Event	Restrictions	Application Deadlines	Post Meet Fees + HST
In House Competition	In House Sanction **sanctions exceeding 3 hour session must use 1-day Invitational Sanctioning Event in REMS	Host club only 1 session - max 3 hours only No awards / scoring / records Entry Fee can be applied Simplified Meet Package	2 weeks	\$3 per swimmer
Invitational (open) or (closed) 1 calendar day	1-day Invitational	Each session cannot exceed 4.5 hours 1 calendar day competition	8 weeks	\$4 per swimmer

Meet Category: Age Group or Masters

Meet Type	Sanctioning Event	Restrictions	Application Deadlines	Post Meet Fees + HST
Invitational (open) or (closed) 2 calendar days	2-day Invitational	Each session cannot exceed 4.5 hours 2 calendar days competition	8 weeks	\$9 per swimmer
Invitational (open) or (closed), Regional Meet* 3 calendar days	3-day Invitational	Each session cannot exceed 4.5 hours 3 calendar days competition	8 weeks	\$15 per swimmer
Invitational (open) or (closed), Regional Meet* 4 calendar days	4-day Invitational	Each session cannot exceed 4.5 hours 4 calendar days competition	8 weeks	\$24 per swimmer

*Regional Meet “Meet Type” should be used for Regional Championship Meets only

Meet Type Options

CLOSED Meet Types with Priority List for initial entries

- Class II Time Trial
- In House Competition
- Invitational (closed)
- Regional Meet

OPEN Meet Types

- Class I Time Trial
- Invitational (open)
- Masters
- Varsity

Meet Entry Deadline

Meet Type

Class I Time Trial

Class I Time Trial

Class II Time Trial

In House Competition

~~International~~

Invitational (closed)

Invitational (open)

Masters

~~Open Water~~

~~Provincial Meet~~

Regional Meet

~~RSEQ - Collégiale~~

~~Summer~~

~~Summer Provincials~~

~~Summer Regionals~~

~~Swimming Canada National Event~~

Varsity

Meet Package Templates

- 2026-27 Meet Package Templates & Required statements will be available in late summer - changes are expected due to the expected updated Swimming Canada rules.
- For In House Sanction, Time Trials and Varsity Dual/Tri meets that are 1 session long, the appropriate online Jotform must be used when creating the meet package.
 - Creating the meet package with the online form is NOT the sanction application.
 - The meet manager would need to login to their Meet Manager account in REMS and submit a sanction application with the meet package PDF created with the jotform.
- All other types of sanctions can use the Google Doc template as a guide. Make a copy of the Google Doc, rename it and complete where necessary. Then create a PDF (File/Download/PDF or File/Print/PDF).
 - We encourage you to remove all options that are not applicable to your meet (all unticked boxes or sections that are not applicable).

All Templates and links for online forms will be available [HERE](#)

Sanction Applications Review & Fees

- Time Trial, Varsity sanctions and Masters sanctions will be reviewed by [Kirsti Kontor](#)
- Age Group sanctions will be reviewed by [Nicole Parent](#)
- All Admin & post meet fees are charged after results are uploaded
- **Post Meet Fees are payable only through REMS via PAD or CC - Meet Invoicing**
 - E-Transfers & Direct Deposit are no longer accepted.

Questions

Questions related to this presentation can be sent to Nicole
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