

SWIMMING & DIVING

1.0 ADMINISTRATION OF SPORT

1.1 MEETINGS.

1.1.1 ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING. The annual business meeting shall be held via video on the third or fourth Thursday in April at 10 a.m.

1.1.2 PRE-CHAMPIONSHIP MEETING. The pre-championship meeting shall take place on the Thursday prior to the Championships via video at 10 a.m.

1.2 AD LIAISON. The AD Liaison is responsible for 1) Representing the AD Council at coaches meetings, 2) Communicating key information to coaches, 3) Representing coaches at AD Council meetings, including the presentation of minutes and action items.

1.3 ADMINISTRATION. MIAC Staff shall be responsible for chairing meetings and recording minutes. *(revised 5/25)*

2.0 SPORTS SEASON

2.1 PLAYING & PRACTICE SEASON. Follow NCAA Division III playing & practice season bylaws.

2.2 SCHEDULING POLICY. The conference schedule will be made by the coaches at the annual coaches meeting. *(revised 05/06)*

2.3 POLICY FOR POSTPONEMENT/RESCHEDULING.

3.0 MEET CONDUCT

3.1 STARTING TIME.

3.2 RULES TO GOVERN CONTEST. The NCAA rules governing dual meets shall be followed, unless changes are mutually agreed upon by the coaches involved.

3.2.1 OILS. Body coating oils should not be allowed in competition. *(revised 12/93)*

3.2.2 DIVES. In dual meet competition, the default requirement for diving events will be six optional dives. *(added 5/09)*

3.3 SITE PREPARATION REQUIREMENTS.

3.4 HOME TEAM SHALL. The host school shall provide scorers, timers, electronic timing equipment (if possible) and a visible scoreboard. *(added 4/90)*

3.4.1 RESULTS. Full results for all home meets must be posted by the end of the day on the Monday following competition. *(added 05/06)*

3.5 VISITING TEAM SHALL.

3.6 VISITING TEAM ROSTER LIMIT.

3.7 POLICY FOR VIDEO.

3.8 PRESS BOX PROCEDURES/ASSIGNMENTS. The host school shall report the scores to the local news media. *(added 4/90)*

4.0 GAME SUPPORT STAFF

4.1 GAME OFFICIALS. The number shall conform to current NCAA regulations, and all officials will be CSOA certified. *(revised 5/98, added 4/90)*

4.1.1 POLICY TO ASSIGN OFFICIALS. The host school schedules officials for the regular season meets. *(added 4/90)*

4.1.2 POLICY FOR SELECTING OFFICIALS. Officials shall be certified by the CSOA. *(revised 5/98)*

4.1.3 POLICY TO PAY FOR OFFICIALS. It is recommended the host institution pay each official \$40/hour, ensuring a minimum of \$80.00 for single gender MIAC dual meets and a minimum of \$100.00 for coed dual meets. *(revised 4/2021, 05/13, 05/12, 5/08, 5/07, 5/97, added 4/90)*

4.1.4 LIEFGUARD. The institution must designate a lifeguard for all home varsity swimming and diving events and list that person with officials and be on deck. *(added 12/02)*

4.2 SECONDARY OFFICIALS.

4.3 SUPPORT PERSONNEL.

4.4 MEDICAL PERSONNEL. A certified athletic trainer must be sidelines when diving competition is occurring and must be present during competition (without diving). *(added 4/90; revised 5/25, 5/03)*

5.0 MIAC/NCAA STATISTICS

5.1 STATISTICS. Follow NCAA guidelines for keeping statistics.

5.2 MIAC Top 25. The Conference Office will use USA Swimming to collect Top Times and will also take the diving scores reported by each individual school and distribute a pdf to the coaches each week with the Top Times and dives. Each conference team will send a best dives report to the conference office by Monday following competition each week. The conference office will post the Top Times and Dives by Wednesday at noon each week. (Top times will be due on Tuesday the last week of competition before the conference championships since entries are due on Thursday.) *(revised 05/13, 05/10, 05/07, 05/06, 5/04, 5/00, added 5/99)*

6.0 CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP

6.1 HOW DECIDED. NCAA rules shall govern the conduct of the championship meet.

6.2 POLICY FOR TIE BREAKER. In case of a tie at the MIAC championships, co-champions will be recognized. *(added 5/99)*

6.3 PROCEDURE. The University of Minnesota Aquatic Center shall be the preferred site for the co-ed MIAC swimming and diving championships. The "host" responsibilities will rotate among all MIAC schools with a swimming and diving program. An outstate

school will be paired with a Twin Cities school for ease of hosting. Host rotation is: St. Olaf and Macalester (2026), Carleton, Concordia, and Augsburg (2027), Gustavus and Hamline (2028), Saint Benedict/Saint John's and St. Catherine (2029). Each school will host once every four years. Each swimming coach is responsible for getting two volunteer timers for every session and typically one dive table volunteer. The conference office is responsible for sports information and contracting athletic trainers. There will be no program for this event. *(revised 5/21, 5/18, 5/10, 5/05, 5/03, 5/01, 5/00, 95)*

6.3.1 TIMING. Electronic timing equipment and relay take-off pads shall be used for the Conference meet. *(revised 5/08)*

6.3.2 BUDGET. Expenses for the meet officials and the use of electronic time equipment shall be provided by the conference.

6.3.3 SCORING. Follow NCAA guidelines. *(revised 4/92)*

6.4 ADMISSION. See 3.5.2 in General Section *(revised 05/07)*

6.5 OFFICIALS. A total of four certified officials, two of which will be USA certified, shall be hired by the host institution to fill the necessary officiating positions (meet starter, meet referee, and two stroke and turn judges). One dive judge per event will be hired. *(revised 5/2025, 5/22, 05/07, 5/97, added 4/90)*

6.6 GAME SUPPORT. Other meet officials shall be competent trained persons.

6.7 PROTEST COMMITTEE. The Championship Meet Committee shall consist of the meet referee, starter and an appointed representative from each participating school. In the event of an even number of voting participants, the starter will become the ex-officio of the Committee. *(revised 5/00, added 4/90)*

6.8 OPERATIONS MANUAL. The MIAC conference championship for swimming and diving will follow the operational guidelines set forth in the swimming and diving operations manual. (The MIAC sport code serves as policy for the sport while the swimming and diving operations manual serves as an event module). *(added 5/99)*

6.9 QUALIFYING STANDARDS.

6.9.1 SWIMMING STANDARDS. Qualifying standards for the conference championships have been eliminated. *(revised 5/2020, 5/14, 5/13, 05/10, added 5/09)*

6.9.2 DIVING STANDARDS. Diving qualifying standards allow any diver who successfully completes an 11-dive format (in accordance with diving rules to allow one failed dive) during a regular season meet to qualify to compete at the MIAC Championships (qualifying is board-specific). Qualification for swimming is separate from diving. *(revised 5/2023, 5/19, added 5/14)*

7.0 POST SEASON POLICY AND PROCEDURE

7.1 AUTOMATIC QUALIFIER. Post season competition standards set up by the respective divisions of the NCAA will determine post season competition.

8.0 AWARDS

8.1 CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS. Championship plaques awarded to the first-place women's and men's teams at the conference meet.

8.2 ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM. The top three finishers in each event, including relays, will receive All-Conference status. All-Conference certificates for customization and printing may be downloaded from the MIAC administrator website. *(revised 5/04)*

8.2.1 HONORABLE MENTION. Individual finishers #4-6 and relay finisher #4 at the conference championship meet will receive honorable mention distinction. *(added 5/19)*

8.3 INDIVIDUAL HONORS. All nominating and voting will be conducted by the conference office. Honorees will be chosen based on individual overall performance in all events following conference championship meet. Coaches may vote for their own athletes. All awards will be announced at the meet, before the winning teams are presented with their championship plaques. *(revised 5/2023, 5/22)*

8.3.1 COACH OF THE YEAR. Coaches will vote on Coach of the Year at the meet. Coaches will vote for one coach only. *(revised 5/2023, 5/09, 5/04, 5/01)*

8.3.2 SWIMMER OF THE YEAR. Swimmers of the Year will be objectively selected based on points earned at the conference championship meet. *(revised 5/09, 5/07, 5/01)*

8.3.3 DIVER OF THE YEAR. Divers of the Year will be objectively selected based on points earned at the conference championship meet. *(revised 5/2023, 5/09, 5/07, 5/01)*

8.3.4 ROOKIE OF THE YEAR. Coaches will vote on Rookie of the Year at the meet. To be eligible for nomination, the student must be a true college first-year student (not a transfer from another institution or an academic sophomore/junior/senior who has not used eligibility). *(revised 5/2023, added 5/22)*

8.4 ATHLETES OF THE WEEK. A Men's and Women's Swimming & Diving Athlete of the Week (swimmer and diver) will be chosen each week of the conference regular season. Selections will begin the first week of the season and conclude the week prior to the conference championship meet. SIDs will nominate and the MIAC office will select the winners. *(added 5/01; revised 5/22)*

9.0 AWARDS SELECTION PROCESS

9.1 NOMINATIONS. Conducted at the end of the championship meet.

9.2 VOTING. Conducted at the end of the championship meet.

9.3 ANNOUNCEMENT. The conference office will publicly announce the award recipients the Wednesday following the conference championships. The conference office will work with coaches and SIDs to proof and release the awards list.