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Swimming and Diving Qualifying Standards are posted on the MIAA Swimming and Diving page and Formats page

A. Tentative Tournament Dates*

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| a) Sectional Entry Deadline | Feb. 1, 2027 |
| b) Sectional Meets | Feb. 6 & 7, 2027 |
| c) State Entry Deadline | Feb. 8, 2027 |
| d) State Finals Meets | Feb. 13 & 14, 2027 |

*Dates Subject to change

B. Tournament Entry, Requirements and Deadlines

1. All tournament entries are done using Hy-Tek. All schools are required to use Hy-Tek Team Manager. Hy-Tek TM Lite can no longer be used for MIAA Tournament Entry.
2. In championship meets each team is permitted a maximum of four (4) entries in each individual event and one (1) team in a relay event. (NFHS Rule 3-1-1).
3. Individuals are permitted to enter a maximum of four (4) events comprising individual and relay events, with a maximum of two (2) individual events (NFHS Rule 3-2-1).
4. Relay participants may be changed until the event before the relay.
5. Divers and coaches should develop a seasonal plan that leads to a meaningful progression of qualifying all 11 dives for post season competition that meets all requirements.
6. Corrections to entries or adding missed entries can be made on the Tuesday following registration. See below for more detail.
7. Changes to entries, other than secretary error or psych sheet administrative corrections, may not be made after the entry correction deadline of 3:00 PM on the Tue. following the initial sectional/state registration,

Important Deadlines

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| • Sectional Meet Entry Deadline | Monday, Feb. 1 by 5:00 PM. |
| • Psych sheets posting | Tue. morning by 10:00 AM, Feb. 2 |
| • Sectional-Corrections or Missed entries by school/coach | Tue. Feb. 2 from 10:00 AM–3:00 PM |
| <i>**** Any corrections or missed entries by school/coach must be submitted by 3:00 PM</i> | |
| • State Meet Entry Deadline | Monday, Feb. 8 by 5:00 PM. |
| • Psych sheets posting | Tue. Morning by 10:00 AM, Feb. 9 |
| • State - Corrections or Missed entries by school/coach | Tue. Feb. 9 from 10:00 AM-3:00 PM |
| <i>**** Any corrections or missed entries by school/coach must be submitted by 3:00 PM</i> | |
| • Secretary error correction deadline | Tue., Feb. 2 (sectional) by 5:00 PM.
Tue., Feb. 9 (state) 5:00 PM. |

C. Tournament Divisions

A two divisional alignment will be used at the girls' and boys' state championship meets. For divisional alignments refer to the MIAA website.



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D. Hy-Tek Tournament Entry Data

1. All Sectional and State Championship qualifying entries will be entered using Hy-Tek Team Manager. Each championship meet event file will be posted on the MIAA Swimming and Diving page. Teams will need to download the appropriate file to enter their team.

Roster must include:

- relay only swimmers entered with a relay time.
- divers entered with their best six (6) dive score.

For information on how to submit entries using Hy-Tek visit the MIAA Swimming and Diving page at miaa.net.

2. Divers' sheets/information must be entered additionally through eDive. eDive instructions can be found on the MIAA Swimming and Diving page at miaa.net.

E. Qualifying Criteria – Team Members

1. Individuals must be bona-fide members of their high school swim team as recognized by the MIAA and must achieve the qualifying standards during the current season.
2. Qualifying times/diving standards must be obtained during the dual meet season, invitational meets, or post-season championships officiated by certified MIAA swimming officials.
3. Relay times must be achieved by team members of the same gender to qualify for the appropriate post-season championship meet. Teams can only enter one relay team in each event at the sectional and state tournaments.
4. The coach or official school representative must be able to verify the swimmer's times or diver's scores at the meet by providing documentation.
 - a. Any times that do not meet minimum qualifying times may be challenged by the Tournament Director.
 - b. Other times can be challenged during a meet.
 - c. Any swimmer or diver found not to have met qualifying standards shall be disqualified from the meet, including any prior meet performances.
5. A violation of qualifying criteria may involve a hearing before the swim committee.

F. Team Roster

- Team members attending a meet can only be those swimmers and divers who have met qualifying standards, reasonable relay alternates, plus one (1) manager and all approved school coaches.
- The names of the approved school coaches and manager must be emailed to the appropriate Tournament Director prior to the meet.
- No ancillary staff (i.e., team photographers, masseuses etc.) will be allowed on deck.
- Relay only swimmers must be listed on the team roster that is entered in Hy-Tek.
- Only the individuals listed on the entry and approved by the school's athletic director will be allowed on the pool deck.

G. Coaches/Adult Representation

- The coach or official school representative (as designated by the principal on the entry forms) must remain at the championship site throughout the meet or the swimmer/diver will not be accepted by tournament directors for participation in the meet.
- Last-minute changes must be verified in writing by the principal before the swimmer/diver is allowed to compete or warm up.



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H. Adaptive Athlete Participation

The following events will be available to adaptive athletes:

- 50-yard Freestyle
- 100-yard Freestyle
- 100-yard Breaststroke

Point of contact at Adaptive Sports New England: Joe Walsh, 617-690-9103.

I. Meet Rules, Scoring, Team Championship

1. National Federation Swimming and Diving Rules shall be the official rules for championship meets.
2. 16 Place Scoring will be used for all MIAA Championship Meets (NFHS Rule 7-1-3a & 3b - for Individual and Relay point values).
3. Medals will be awarded to the top eight (8) finishers.
4. For team championship awards to be presented, a minimum of ten (10) schools (per gender) must be entered into the championship.

J. Officials

Officials will be assigned by the Tournament Director.

K. Order of Facility Entry

Teams will be admitted to the facility based on their order of finish at that previous year's meet. Full teams need to be in line a minimum of 20 minutes prior to the designated check in time. If a full team is not present, their place in line may be skipped until all are present.

L. Ticket Information

Only qualified athletes will be admitted free of charge. All tickets will be managed through GoFan digital ticketing. When ticket allocation is necessary based on venue capacity, the ticket allocation process will be posted on the MIAA Swimming and Diving page.

M. Requested School Timers

- Teams will be notified by the Tournament Director if they are requested to provide timers, with watches, for the meet.
- Coaches will be asked to confirm the names of the timers in advance of the meet.
- Timers will check in with the coaches upon entry and do not have to pay the entry fee.
- Athletes competing in the meet are not to be designated as timers.
- Timers are expected to be in the appropriate lanes at the designated times and remain there for the entire meet.

N. Signs, Banners, and Photography

- Coolers, handheld signs, shakers, balloons, and noisemakers of any kind are not allowed at tournament sites.
- School banners, approved by the Tournament Director, will be allowed but must be hung where directed by host site/tournament personnel.
- Only credentialed and MIAA approved media personnel will be allowed on deck.



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- No photography or videography of any type is allowed behind the starting blocks during the warm-up sessions or actual meet. This includes the deck area as well as any seating spaces located directly behind or above the starting end of the pool. (per NFHS Rules)

O. Conduct

All schools are responsible before, during and after a contest for the proper conduct of their coaches, athletes, and spectators. When requested, a school must complete an incident report if a problem occurs.

P. Unsporting Conduct (NFHS rules)

- Shaving - Shaving is not permitted at any tournament sites (NFHS Rule 3-6-1g).
- Deck changing before, during or after a meet is not permitted (NFHS Rule 3-6-1d). Additional clarification for 3-6-1: Removal of all or part of a primary swimming suit (next to the swimmer's skin), is prohibited on the deck and in any space around the pool not specifically designated for changing purposes. (NFHS Rule(s) 1-3-2, 3-6-1d)

Q. Medical Coverage

A licensed athletic trainer, physician, physician's assistant, certified EMT, or nurse practitioner will be available at all contests.

R. Inclement Weather

In the event of a potential weather postponement/cancelation, a timely decision will be made. The postponement policy can be found on the MIAA Swimming and Diving page at miaa.net.



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Diving Information and Requirements

Divers must be entered with swimmers in Hy-Tek and eDive. Instructions can be found on the MIAA Swimming and Diving page at miaa.net.

**** Careful attention should be paid to this diving information as there are specific MIAA requirements and procedures for MIAA Championship meets detailed in this format****

A. MIAA Qualifying Requirements

1. A score of 5 or higher must be awarded on a dive by each scoring judge during regular season dual meets or invitational meets. If five (5) or more judges are present, the three (3) scoring judges must award 5's or higher on a dive for it to qualify for tournament entry.
2. The dive as qualified in season will be the only dive accepted (i.e., 1 ½ tuck ≠ 1 ½ pike).
3. No diver may perform a dive in the Sectional or State Tournament that has not been performed and qualified during the regular season.
4. An official diving sheet must be submitted for each diver by the entry deadline.
 - Divers will be allowed to change dives up to ten (10) minutes before the start of the diving competition.
 - Dive numbers and position are the official description of a dive (ex: 103B). Responsibility for accuracy rests with the diver and coach. Penalty: Failed Dive.

B. Diving Proof Instructions

Check that the following three items have been completed with proper documentation per MIAA and NFHS rules.

1. Verification of all dives and compliance with the maximum DD for voluntary dives must be presented prior to competition at each tournament site.
2. Provide copies of diving sheets, showing the two (2) meets where the qualifying total score standard was attained.
3. Provide copies of dual, invitational and/or championship meet diving sheets, highlighted for each entered dive (a total of 11) that a score of 5.0 or higher has been received from all scoring judges.

C. Meet Diving Requirements

In championship meets, the competition shall consist of five voluntary dives and six optional dives.

1. The 5 voluntary dives must cover all five (5) categories. The total DD can be no more than 9.0. Two voluntary dives must be in the preliminary rounds (1-5), two in the semifinal rounds (6-8) and one in the final rounds (9-11).
2. The six (6) optional dives must cover all five (5) categories (one category will be repeated). Optional dive categories cannot be repeated through the semifinal rounds (1-8).
3. All five (5) categories must be represented through the semifinal rounds (1-8).
4. Preliminaries shall have two (2) voluntary & three (3) optional; Semifinals shall have two (2) voluntary & one (1) optional; Finals shall have one (1) voluntary and two (2) optional.
5. Only Dives listed on the NFHS Diving Table can be performed.
6. Refer to NFHS Rule 9-4-1 as well as the sample dive sheet that follows for dive placement.



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D. Diving Specific Meet Details

1. At the sectional & state meets divers will be seeded initially by lot. After the completion of the semifinal round (8 dives), the finalists will be reseeded with the lowest scoring contestant performing first through the highest scorer diving last over the final 3 rounds. (NFHS 9-2-2)
2. When more than 32 contestants have qualified for the 1-meter diving event, the field will be reduced to 32 divers after the completion of three (3) rounds. With the field reduced, the remaining two (2) dives of the preliminaries will be performed followed by the semifinal and final rounds. To allow for the appropriate placement of individual dives in a contestant's program, the Tournament Director will notify the coaches of the participating divers in advance of the start of the meet if the field is going to be reduced after three (3) dives.
3. Warm up will be provided prior to the 11-dive session for all contestants. (NFHS Rule 9-2-1) After the completion of the eighth round, the boards will be available for those who have qualified for the finals. An administrative break will take place after the fifth round (and third round if more than 32 contestants are entered). There will be no on-board diving warm-ups during designated administrative breaks.
4. Coaches are responsible for picking up signed diving result sheets before departing the facility at the conclusion of the meet. Meet directors and/or diving referees are not responsible for providing copies of these sheets after the facility has been vacated.

E. All-American Diving Requirements

To be considered for All-American status in diving, athletes must:

1. Score a minimum of 375 points.
2. Have a total Degree of Difficulty for Optional Dives of 13.0 or higher for girls, 13.3 or higher for boys.
3. Submit a film of their 11-dive performance at a championship meet.
4. Submit All-American forms signed by the Tournament Director and the Diving Referee

Permission to Film: Only approved individuals are allowed on deck to film the performance of legitimate All-American candidates. The following protocol must be followed to gain access to pool deck for photographers:

- School Administration must submit the name and contact information of the proposed videographer (address, phone number) to Richard Pearson via email (rpearson@miaa.net) on letterhead at least 3 days prior to the date of the meet.
- A request to film will be valid for both the sectional and state meets.
- The approved videographer must sign in at the team entrance, come in with the team, and must provide a valid photo ID.
- An identifying name badge may be provided and must always be worn on deck.

SAT/SAT Subject Tests

1. Meets may be held on a weekend date - the same date as an anticipated SAT Test Date. Schools are encouraged to be aware of this date and collaborative if scheduling a game on this date. A listing of all dates and sports that may take place on scheduled College Board exam dates can be found on the MIAA website. College Board dates can be found here - <https://www.collegeboard.org/>
2. The College Board offers an SAT® Program Alternate Test Date Policy. As stated in their published material:
The SAT Program will consider granting an alternate test date when the following criteria are met:



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- The conflicting event must be unexpected. Regularly scheduled sporting events or previously scheduled school activities, such as a prom, are not considered unexpected. An event such as an academic or athletic competition, in which students have advanced through the competition or into post-regular season competition, can be considered an unexpected event.
3. SAT School Day: Allows high schools to administer the SAT to students during the school day, thus avoiding weekend athletic conflicts.

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DIVING CHAMPIONSHIP DIVE FORMAT ___Sectional ___State

The signatures of the coach & diver on score sheet confirm its accuracy and indicate that the diver is capable of performing the dives listed. Dive numbers and position are the official description of a dive.

Responsibility for accuracy rests with the diver and coach. PENALTY: Failed Dive.

PRINT NAME	SCHOOL	DATE
REQUIRED SIGNATURES: DIVER		DIVING ORDER
COACH		

	NO.	DIVE	POS.	DD	JUDGES AWARDS					TOTAL	SCORE
1.											_____
2.											_____
3.											_____
4.											_____
5.											_____
2 Voluntary – 3 Optional from Different Groups											SCORE AFTER PRELIMINARIES
(NO on-board warmup allowed during the break between the preliminary and semi-final round)											

	NO.	DIVE	POS	DD	JUDGES AWARDS					TOTAL	SCORE
6.											_____
7.											_____
8.											_____
2 Voluntary – 1 Optional Different Group											SCORE AFTER SEMI-FINALS
(Dive Boards Open for warm-up for participants who have qualified for the Final Round)											

	NO.	DIVE	POS	DD	JUDGES AWARDS					TOTAL	SCORE
9.											_____
10.											_____
11.											_____
1 Voluntary – 2 Optional											FINAL SCORE