	POLICY NUMBER:
POLICY & PROCEDURE	201J
Subject: **SENIOR SWIMMING**	**REVISED** **8-17-2017**

A. QUALIFYING

Arizona Swimming Senior Championship(SC=Senior Championship) meet is open to any registered Arizona Swimming athlete who has met the AZSI Senior Time Standard as posted on the AZSI web site.

1. An athlete may qualify in any USA Swimming sanctioned, approved, or observed meet or time trials.

2. An athlete who qualifies Senior in a specific stroke and distance will be considered qualified in the same stroke and distance in all courses.

3. Age on the first day of the meet shall determine the swimmer's age for the entire meet.

B. ELIGIBILITY

1. Individual Eligibility

a. For senior meets, except for AZSI Senior Championship meets, an athlete may enter their best recorded time or a slower time between the meet time standard, if any, and their best time.

b. /SC/ To enter the AZSI Senior Championship meet, swimmers must submit fastest conforming or non-conforming times achieved in the 18 months prior to the competition.

c. /SC/ The events will be seeded based on the time standard used to enter meet.
   a. For long course, events will be seeded LCM, SCM, SCY.
   b. For short course, events will be seeded SCY, LCM, SCM

d. /SC/All times are subject to verification through OME, the US Swimming Times database.

2. Relays

a. Each club may enter a maximum of four relay teams per relay event but only two (2) relays from one club may score in any event.

b. All relays at AZSI Senior Championship meets are No Time Standard (NTS) events but aggregate entry times are required for entry into relay events at the AZSI Senior Championship meet.

c. Relay events may be swum as timed final events.

d. All relay athletes must be entered in an individual event in order to participate in a relay except a team may enter a relay with up to 2 "Relay Only" swimmers designated as "Relay Only" Swimmers on OME for the 200/400 Medley and Freestyle relays with payment of the LSC surcharge and listed on the master entry.

3. Event Limitations

a. **AZSI** Senior Championship qualified athletes may compete in three events per day, including time trials and six individual events for the meet, excluding time times.

b. In prelim/finals meets other than the AZSI Senior ~~State~~ Championship meet, qualified athletes may compete in three events per day with a meet limit being set by the host club, plus relays, for which they are eligible.

c. In timed finals meets, qualified athletes may compete in a maximum of six events per day, plus relays for which they are eligible. Meet may limit athletes to less than six events per day.

d. The appropriate limitation of events in timed finals and prelims/finals meets is inclusive of any time trials held at that facility that day.

C. CONDUCT OF MEETS

1. The preliminaries and finals system shall be used in all Arizona Senior ~~State~~ Championships but is optional in all other meets.

2. For all Arizona Senior Championship meets:

a. /SC/ Proof of time and current registration is REQUIRED in advance for all swimmers entered in the Arizona Senior Championship meet. To accomplish this, AzSI will use the USA Swimming On-Line Entry program ("OME") which will verify both registration and proof of time when swimmer is entered. (When possible, coaches will be notified of swimmers who have not proven entry times.) For the purpose of proof of times:

b. /SC/ All entry times will be verified against the USA Swimming Times database through the OME process. Entry times must have been achieved in the 18 months prior to the entry deadline. If a time cannot be proven before the meet, the swimmer will be removed from the event. If a swim cannot be proven to have been performed in a USA Swimming sanctioned, approved, or observed meet, the swimmer will be removed from the meet. No refunds will be given if a time cannot be proven. Only official results from sanctioned, approved or observed meets may be used to prove times.

c. **/SC/** Converted times shall not be used. Time standards for these meets are provided in short course yards, short course meters, and long course meters. A swimmer who has met the qualifying time standard for an event in any course may enter that event in these meets.

3. Failure to compete (no show) in a positive check-in event for which the athlete has checked in will result in being barred from the next individual event in which the athlete is entered and the club of the athlete or, if unattached, the athlete being assessed a charge (as published in the Annual Statement of Fees) payable to Arizona Swimming prior to the conclusion of the meet.

4. **Warm-up Procedures.** The Arizona Controlled Warm-up and Safety Guidelines shall be followed at all meets whether sanctioned, approved, closed or open. The Arizona Warm-up Guidelines are available from the web page Document Library.

UPDATES

Dates	By Whom	Basic Abstract	Sections	Control #
05/01/2012	use of OME	entries for states	C.2	
05/01/2012	last 18m; seeding	times good, seeding	B.1.c-d	
05/01/2013	update for USAS rule	age defined	A.4	13-07
05/01/2014	all athletes that have Q	eligibility HOD	A-1	14-10
06/xx/2014	change effective date	open to all with Q	A-1	14-11
11/18/2015	HOD	open to out of lsc	A-C	16-012
11/18/2015	HOD	event limits	A-C	16-013
11/18/2015	HOD	failure to compete	A-C	16-014
11/18/2015	Office	SC indicators	All	16-015
8/17/2017	BOD	Hskg,Scrivener	All	16-058