

Meet Protocol

Deck Movement:

1. Swimmers sit on the green turf to the east (blocks side) of the pool, maintaining 6 feet of distance and wearing masks.
2. Coaches are all positioned on the same side of the pool as the starting system and have the entire side of the pool except for the starting box.
3. Swimmer movement by heat (See the pool layout diagram on the next page):
 - a. Swimmers in upcoming heats stage on the near side of the pool by lane 11. They don't stage until the prior heat has moved to the blocks. A marshal will give them the go-ahead to move to the blocks.
 - b. When a heat finishes, swimmers exit the pool and continue along the blocks until they pass lane 1. They will then turn LEFT to go back on the green turf and head to their seating area.
 - c. After they exit the area behind the blocks, the next heat moves in. The following heat stages up. **SWIMMERS DO NOT WALK BACK AND FORTH IN BETWEEN THE TIMERS.** Only along the blocks and around the corner at the end of the blocks.
4. Timer movement by heat:
 - a. Timers stay well back from the blocks. Ideally have a chair back there for them to put the clipboard on.
 - b. At the start they watch from their position by their chair and start stopwatches.
 - c. At the end of a heat, they move forward and stop their watch and timers.
 - d. As soon as they are done, they step back to their chair and write down times.

Mask Protocol:

- Everyone must wear a mask at all times except when actively swimming. Coaches, timers, marshals, officials, photographers, etc. all must be masked the entire time.
- Swimmers should bring a ziplock baggie for their mask to keep it dry.
- Swimmers will wear their mask all the way to the blocks and remove it just before the start of their heat (short whistles). Place it in the baggie behind the blocks. If possible, a chair will be provided for masks, towels, etc.
- As soon as swimmers exit the water they must put their mask back on and exit the blocks area (exit to the left as you face the pool).

Austin Swim Club:

- Please respect the facility. Cleanup your seating area after the meet.
- Restrooms are available but the changing room is NOT. Come to the meet in your suit.

