



COACHES' TENT INSTRUCTIONS

SMI's Coach Tent Placement Policy: *Teams will select their desired Coaches' Tent Location in order of the previous year's SMI Overall Combined Team Finish (not by league, but by overall scores).*

The top Fourteen teams will select a tent site at poolside. The remaining teams will select a site across the deck from poolside (in the grass behind scoring). Coaches will be able to set up their own tents Friday evening based on these selections.

Here's how:

1. All Teams will enter their top three desired locations through **SMI's Coach Tent RSVP** two weeks prior to SMI.
 - ♦ Note: Fourteen poolside and twelve off-pool locations are numbered on the Coaches Tent Map located on the Coaches/Rep page & RSVP instructions of www.SMI.swimtopia.com.
2. The top fourteen teams listed in the previous year's team finish document will be assigned poolside placements by the SMI Meet Director according to their RSVP choices. (*Link to the team order of finish document is on the Coaches/Rep page of the SMI website.*)
 - ♦ If a selection conflict occurs, the teams involved will be emailed by the SMI Meet Director and asked for three new choices based on still available sites.
3. The following teams will then be assigned off-pool locations by the SMI Meet Director in order of their preference according to their previous year's placement.
 - ♦ Teams not having participated the previous year will be given fair assessment based on their top three desired locations.

Following the above selection process, the SMI Coach Tent Location Map will be Updated and posted on the SMI website.

Please Note:

1. Teams must bring their own Coach Tents, which must be 10ft x 10ft or smaller. They must be free standing and mobile.
 - ♦ To minimized tripping hazards for swimmers, no ropes or weights are allowed for tent legs placed on cement).
2. The front 2 legs of poolside tents should be placed in the pool gutters on Sunday so "little swimmers" can have easy access to and from the street side of the pool.
 - ♦ Coach Tents in grass locations (three require 8ft x 8ft tents) must have all four legs in the grass to leave room for swimmers traveling on the sidewalks.
3. ALL Coach Tents must be "see through." No hanging of opaque shades or towels on the back side, thus allowing spectators to watch the races from behind the tents.

Coaches may set up their own tents at Springbrook Pool beginning at 7pm on Friday's SMI Set Up Day. Thank you for reading through our Coach Tent Placement Policy carefully. We look forward to working with you at the upcoming Smoky Mountain Invitational.

See you soon!

The SMI Board of Directors