

## KHSAA RULES AND REGULATIONS

### Governing Swimming Meets

*(Adopted by the Board of Control)*

*(Case situations refer to rulings and interpretations used to administer these provisions which can be found in the next section of the Handbook)*

#### I) Assignment of Schools to Regions

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall sponsor postseason competition in swimming and diving for boys and girls, provided that fifteen (15) percent of the member schools declare intentions to participate in said competition. Member schools desiring to participate in KHSAA sponsored postseason competition shall notify the Association office prior to November 1. The Commissioner shall divide the state into geographic sections with the approval of the Board of Control. Newly added or deleted programs will be handled on a case by case basis by the Commissioner's office.

As of August 1, 2009, the alignment is as follows —

REGION 1 - Allen County-Scottsville, Apollo, Barren County, Bowling Green, Butler County, Caldwell County, Calloway County, Community Christian Academy, Christian County, Christian Fellowship, Crittenden County, Daviess County, Franklin Simpson, Fort Campbell, Glasgow, Graves County, Green County, Greenwood, Heath, Henderson County, Hickman County, Hopkins County Central, Hopkinsville, Livingston Central, Logan County, Lone Oak, Madisonville-North Hopkins, Marshall County, Mayfield, Muhlenberg County, Murray, Ohio County, Owensboro, Owensboro Catholic, Paducah Tilghman, Reidland, Russellville, South Warren (beginning 2010-11), St. Mary, Trigg County, University Heights, Warren Central

Region 2,- Assumption, Atherton, Ballard, Brown, Bullitt Central, Bullitt East, Butler, Central, Christian Academy-Louisville, Doss, Dupont Manual, Eastern, Evangel Christian, Fairdale, Fern Creek, Holy Cross (Louisville), Kentucky Country Day, Kentucky School f/t Blind, Louisville Collegiate, Male, Mercy, North Oldham, Oldham County, Pleasure Ridge Park, Presentation, Sacred Heart, Seneca, Shawnee, South Oldham, St. Francis, St. Xavier, Trinity (Louisville), Waggener, Whitefield Academy

REGION 3 - Adair County, Anderson County, Bethlehem Boyle County, Campbellsville, Casey County, Central Hardin, Collins (beginning 2010-11), Danville, East Jessamine, Elizabethtown, Eminence, Frankfort, Fort Knox, Franklin County, Garrard County, John Hardin, Henry County, Kentucky School f/t Deaf, LaRue County, Marion County, Meade County, Mercer County, Nelson County, North Hardin, Russell County, Scott County, Shelby County, Spencer County, Taylor County, West Jessamine, Western Hills, Woodford County

Region 4 - Ashland Blazer, Beechwood, Boone County, Boyd County, Calvary Christian, Campbell County, Conner, Cooper, Covington Catholic, Covington Latin, Deming, Dixie Heights, Elliott County, Fleming County, Highlands, Holmes, Holy Cross (Covington), Lloyd Memorial, Mason County, Notre Dame Academy, Owen County, Rose Hill, Rowan County, Russell, Ryle, Scott, Simon Kenton, St. Henry, St. Patrick, Villa Madonna

Region 5— Allen Central, Barbourville, Berea, Bourbon County, Bryan Station, East Ridge, George Rogers Clark, Harrison County, Henry Clay, Johnson Central, Knott County Central, Knox Central, Lafayette, Letcher, Lexington Catholic, Lexington Christian, Madison Central, Madison Southern, Model, Montgomery County, Monticello, Oneida Baptist Institute, Paris, Paul Laurence Dunbar, Piarist, Sayre, Pulaski County, Somerset, Southwestern, Tates Creek, Williamsburg

#### II) Dates and Sites for Meets

The Commissioner with the approval of the Board of Control shall determine the date and site of the regional and state meets. All meets will be held within the dates indicated on the Memorandum Calendar unless otherwise approved in writing by the Commissioner.

Schools interested in hosting a regional meet shall submit their request in writing prior to October 1 of the tournament year. The applicant shall supply information relating to seating and parking facilities and such other information as may be requested by the Commissioner. Application forms for hosting tournaments in all sports are provided to each member school by the Association.

The Board of Control shall determine the site of the state finals after receiving the Commissioner's recommendation, and shall be guided

by necessary hotel facilities, playing facilities, and community/area support.

#### III) Meet Managers

The Commissioner will appoint a manager for each of the regional meets, and shall serve as the manager for the state meet. The Commissioner may appoint as many assistant managers as deemed necessary to manage the event. It is the duty of regional managers to notify all schools participating in the meet as to the time and place of the meet, to supply them with entry blanks, to invite their participation, and make all arrangements to conduct the meet. It is also the duty of the manager to arrange the contestants into heats for the preliminary events. It is an explicit duty of each tournament manager to inform the association IMMEDIATELY as to the bracket / pairings / entries / results when requested by KHSAA staff and according to the time deadlines provided including the actual site of the tournament if it is not held at the school. The Board of Control has approved the policy that the receipts of a tournament can be assessed (a fine levied against the manager) for failure to comply with these provisions.

#### IV) Contestants

A school may enter any eligible student-athlete in the postseason region meet. All entries in KHSAA postseason play shall be done electronically using the Association designated software application.

The deadline for entry is not later than one week prior to the start of the regional meet.

A school may enter as many as four contestants in each event at the regional meet except for the relay events. A school may enter only one relay team in each relay event at the regional meet. National Federation Swimming and Diving Rules shall apply at all regional meets and at the state meet.

To be eligible to participate in the regional and state meets, a contestant shall have competed in at least two meets on a team representing a member school.

Any otherwise eligible contestant whose name is on the entry blank may be substituted for the original entry prior to the time that heats are set up for the regional meet. The regional manager shall establish this deadline. In the State Meet, relay teams need not be composed of the same contestants as those in the regional meet. In relay events, eight (8) individuals may be listed as entries, any four (4) of which shall be assigned to swim. Participating in the preliminary or final round of an event shall count as an event toward this limitation.

State qualifiers include the top two finishers in each event from each regional meet, as well as the next fourteen (14) at-large times from each event, or highest scores in the case of diving.

#### V) Events

All meets will have the following events: 200 Yard Medley Relay, 200 Yard Freestyle, 50 Yard Freestyle, 200 Yard Individual Medley, 1 Meter Diving, 100 Yard Butterfly, 100 Yard Freestyle, 100 Yard Backstroke, 500 Yard Freestyle, 100 Yard Breaststroke, 400 Yard Freestyle Relay and 200 Freestyle Relay.

#### VI) Champion

Contestants finishing in the first sixteen places shall be awarded points in accordance with National Federation Swimming and Diving Rules. The champion will be the team with the greatest number of points.

#### VII) Trophies and Awards

##### A) Region.

- 1) Trophies will be given to the team winner and runner-up .
- 2) Awards will be given to top six (6) finishing in each event at the regional meet.
- 3) The Association will bear the costs of all trophies and medals at the regional meet.

##### B) State.

- 1) Trophies will be awarded to the teams finishing first, second, third and fourth at the state tournament.
- 2) Awards will be given to the top eight (8) individuals finishing in each event at the state meet.
- 3) The Association will bear the costs of all trophies and medals at the state tournament.

#### VIII) Finances

##### A) Region

- 1) The finances of the regional meet will be managed at the

regional level.

- 2) The regional competing schools shall decide any distribution of net profit/loss, which shall be shared.

B) State

- 1) The Association will finance the state tournament.
- 2) Schools are responsible for the expenses of competitors participating in the state meet.

**IX) Special Tournament and Regular Season Rules**

A) Specifications for Swim Venues

The specifications for recommended and required standards for swim venues to be used in post-season competition may be developed by Association staff and Advisory Committees and approved by the Board of Control.

B) Additional Rules for Contests

Additional rules, governed by State Association adoption provisions in the National Federation Playing Rules or otherwise developed by the Association may be implemented in meets in Kentucky and will be distributed to the membership when relevant.

**IX) School Personnel to Accompany Team**

In accordance with Bylaw 20, each school having participants in a KHSAA event shall send a school designee to accompany the team. This person should be designated in writing by the Principal and approved by the local Board of Education.

*(Case situations related to this sport appear following the Tournament Rules section)*