21th Annual Penguin Challenge
Presented by
Southeastern Aquatics
Racine Family YMCA Swim Team
January 9-10, 2027
US-AP-WI-26/27-019

Entry window opens at 8:00 AM, Monday, December 7, 2026.

Location:
Racine Aquatic Center
7567 Washington Avenue
Mt. Pleasant, Wisconsin 53406

Meet Director & Entries:
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Eligibility:
Meet is open to all swimmers regardless of affiliation. Any swimmer entered in the meet must be certified by a USA Swimming member-coach as being proficient in performing a racing start or must start each race from within the water without the use of the Backstroke ledge. When unaccompanied by a member-coach, it is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement.

Format of Meet:
Timed final with all events pre-seeded slow to fast. Heats/events may be combined. 500 Freestyle (timers provided, please provide your own counter) and 400 IM are positive check-in events. Breaks may be added after entries are received. 25-yard events will start from the blocks positioned on the bulkhead. Staging for 25-yard events will take place next to lane one at the turn end of the competition pool.

Volunteers Timers:
Teams attending may be required to supply meet volunteers during this event. Requirements (if any) will be posted on the meet landing page and emailed.

Facility:
The ten-lane pool is 25-yards with non-turbulent lane markers and backstroke flags. Pool depth at starting end is 7-feet and the turn is 7-feet with a block height of 29.5-inches and the meet host will ensure the required course dimensions.

Warm-ups:
8:00 AM warm-ups with a meet start time of 9:05 AM.

Doors open at 7:30 AM.
Counterclockwise circle swimming using a feet first three-point entry from the starting end of the pool. Teams should plan to do starts, sprint and pace work within their assigned warm-up time. No equipment or other training devices are allowed during warm-ups. Swimmer(s) without a coach present are to report to the Meet Director prior to warm-ups for a lane assignment. Estimated meet timeline and meet warm-up assignments will be available on the meet landing page.

Timing System: A fully automatic Colorado timing system with two manual back-up buttons and two back-up timers for each lane will be used. If the automatic system fails; a gun or horn start will be used.

General Rules: Official 2027 USA Swimming and WI LSC rules shall prevail at this meet. Age as of January 9, 2027. In granting this approval, it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming and Wisconsin Swimming Inc. will be free from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event.

Entry Deadline: Entry deadline is December 28, 2026 (will included entry file and PDF of entries). Please forward waivers and payment on the day of the meet (or mail prior of you prefer) to:

Neil Wright
3210 96th Street
Sturtevant, Wisconsin 53177

Entry Fees: $7.00 per event, $4,00 WI LSC Splash fee, $20.00 admission fee. Checks payable to "SEA."

Entry Limit: Participation is limited to a maximum of eight events (four per day).

Deck Entries: Will be taken for open lanes only until 8:30 AM on the day of the meet. $10.00 per event. If the athlete is not entered in the meet, WI LSC Splash fee, and admission fee will be collected at the time of deck seeding.

Disabled Swimmers: Para athletes that are requesting an accommodation and/or modification, shall present the WSI Para Accommodation Form to the meet referee and/or meet director prior to the meet start.

MAAPP: All adults participating in or associated with this meet acknowledge that they are subject to the provisions of the USA Swimming Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy ("MAAPP"), and that they understand that compliance with MAAPP is a condition of participation in the conduct of this competition. Times achieved by an athlete member at a sanctioned meet who is over 18 years of age who had not completed the Athlete Protection Training (or whose APT training had expired) by the date of the swim, will not be able to be uploaded to SWIMS. These athletes will also be considered "not in good standing" and can be subject to fines under Wisconsin Swimming Policy 11.2.1.

Coaches: Coaches may pick-up heat sheets and pay any remaining balance for entry fees/submit waivers in the timing office. Please be prepared to show your USA

coaching card and/or USA Swimming App credentials at this time and sign in.

Awards: Heat Winner medals.

Scoring: This event will not be scored.

Heat Sheets: Available for free on the meet landing page and will not be available for purchase at the venue (please print at home if a hardcopy is needed).

Admissions: Included with entry fee.

Food & Drink: Hospitality will be available for coaches and officials. Concessions will be offered if the time-line deems it necessary.

Conduct: All coaches are responsible for the conduct of their swimmers and will see that their club has proper supervision at all times. Meet Marshals have the authority to remove any swimmer and/or spectator from the meet for any violation such as improper behavior, damage to property, etc. No smoking on the premises. Please encourage your parents and swimmers to clean up after themselves.

- Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, restrooms or locker rooms.
- Flash photography and photography from behind the starting blocks are prohibited at the start of each race.
- Operation of a drone, or any other flying apparatus, is prohibited over the competition venue. This includes pools, athlete/coach areas, spectator areas and open ceiling locker rooms anytime athletes, coaches, officials, and/or spectators are present. Exceptions may be granted with prior approval by the Program Operations Vice Chair. 103.13M/Drones.
- Deck changes are prohibited.
- Please note the locker rooms are public in nature and are not policed. Athletes should not leave their belongings unattended and/or unsecured.

First Aid: Report injuries to the Lifeguard and Meet Director.

Lost and Found: An area for lost and found will be designated at the meet. After the meet, lost and found items will be donated to charity.

Meet Results: Will be posted on the meet landing page.

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Event Order

Saturday

Girls	Event Description	Boys
1	Open 200 IM	2
3	Open 100 Back	4
5	Open 25 Free	6
7	Open 50 Fly	8
9	Open 200 Breast	10
11	Open 25 Back	12
13	Open 100 Free	14
15	Open 50 Breast	16
17	Open 100 Fly	18
19	Open 500 Free*	20

* Positive Check-in Event – check-in sheets due at the end of warm-ups (9:00 AM)

Sunday

Girls	Event Description	Boys
21	Open 100 IM	22
23	Open 200 Back	24
25	Open 25 Breast	26
27	Open 200 Fly	28
29	Open 100 Breast	30
31	Open 25 Fly	32
33	Open 50 Free	34
35	Open 200 Free	36
37	Open 50 Back	38
39	Open 400 IM*	40

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Waiver and Summary Form

In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I/we hereby, for myself/ourselves, my/our/theirs, administrators and assignees, waive and release any and all claims against Southeastern Aquatics Racine Family YMCA Swim Team, Racine Aquatic Center, RUSD, WI Swimming, USA Swimming, and their staffs for injuries and/or expenses incurred by me/us at this meet, or while on the road, to and from this event. I/We are bona fide amateur athletes and eligible to complete in all events I/we have entered.

Team name: _____ Code: _____

Signature of Club Official, Parent, or Guardian

Name: _____ Title: _____

Entry Fee Recap:

Description	x	Number of events or athletes	=	Total
Individual events @ $7.00	x		=	
WI LSC Splash Fee @ $4.00	x		=	
Admission Fee @ $20.00	x		=	
		Total Entry Fee →	=	

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