



2026 IU NATATORIUM HOLIDAY HOOPLA
NOVEMBER 13-15, 2026
 Indiana University Natatorium - Indianapolis
 HOSTED BY THE IU NATATORIUM
PARTICIPANT PLANNING CALENDAR – 09.20.26



Host Event Online Information Hub: <https://natatorium.indianapolis.iu.edu/26-holiday-hoopla/>

DAY/DATE	ACTIVITY/ACTION	NOTES
Friday, October 16 8:00 AM	Entries Open: TM or Team Unify Entry File Accepted via Email	Email to Chris Owens, Entry Chair, at natatoriumentries@gmail.com
Friday, October 30 12:00 PM (Noon)	Deadline for Emailing Entries to Entry Chair	Chris Owens, Entry Chair natatoriumentries@gmail.com
Friday, October 30 5:00 PM	Teams Not Accepted Into the Meet Notified	Entry Chair to notify teams.
Monday, November 2 10:00 AM	Online Ticket Sales Open	Online credit card sales only; no on-site sales. Visit event online info hub; click Pre-Meet General Information for ticket link.
Friday, November 6 12:00 PM (Noon)	Deadline for Time Updates or Addition of New Athletes from Accepted Teams (Teams are responsible for payment of all entries submitted in the original file + any new athletes.)	All updates should be sent to both Chris Owens, Entry Chair, and Lucy Duncan, Meet Referee natatoriumentries@gmail.com lucyuss@aol.com
Monday, November 9	- Participating Teams Notified of Limited/Combined Events - Updated Fee Reports Sent to Teams to Reflect Limited Events and New Athletes	Chris Owens, Entry Chair
Tuesday, November 10 7:00 PM	Virtual Volunteer Orientation	Arlene McDonald & Reese Brunner to facilitate with LOC Chairs & Nat Staff
Wednesday, November 11	Technical Meeting + Friday Scratch Deadline	
8:00 PM	Virtual Coaches' Technical Meeting	Required for all Head Coaches; Zoom Link to be Sent Week Prior to the Team Contact
30 Minutes After the Conclusion of the Technical Meeting	Friday Scratches Due	Text or email scratches to both the Entry Chair and Admin Referee
Friday, November 13 Evening Session <u>Holiday Theme Day:</u> <u>Friday</u> <u>Halloween Hoopla</u>	- Before Start of Meet: Team Fees & Entry Summary Due Upon Arrival at Admin Table 4:00 PM: Spectator & Deck Doors Open 4:30 PM: Warm-Ups for Friday Session 5:30 PM: Start of Friday Session - End of Friday Session: Saturday Scratch Sheets Due at Admin Table	<u>Friday Evening Events</u> 13 & Over 50 Butterfly 12 & Under 500 Freestyle 13 & Over 500 Freestyle 13 & Over 50 Backstroke 12 & Under 200 IM* 13 & Over 50 Breaststroke - Open 400 IM* *12 & Under athletes can only swim one of these events.

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<u>Saturday & Sunday</u> <u>November 14 & 15</u> <u>Morning Sessions</u> <u>Holiday Theme Days:</u> <u>Saturday</u> <u>Fall Frenzy</u> <u>(Thanksgiving)</u> <u>Sunday</u> <u>Ugly Holiday Sweater Day</u>	6:30 AM: Spectator & Deck Entry Doors Open 7:00 AM: Warm-Ups for Morning Session 8:00 AM: Start of Morning Sessions	<u>Morning Events</u> - Saturday 13-14 Events: 100 Free, 100 Back, 200 Breast, 100 Fly, 200 IM - Saturday Open Events: 100 Free, 100 Back, 200 Breast, 100 Fly, 200 IM - Saturday 8 & U Events: 100 IM, 50 Back, 50 Breast, 25 Fly, 25 Free - Sunday 13-14 Events: 200 Free, 200 Back, 50 Free, 200 Fly, 100 Breast - Sunday Open Events: 200 Free, 200 Back, 50 Free, 200 Fly, 100 Breast - Sunday 8 & U Events: 100 Free, 25 Back, 50 Fly, 25 Breast, 50 Free
<u>Saturday & Sunday</u> <u>November 14 & 15</u> <u>Early Afternoon Sessions</u>	11:00 AM: Warm-Ups: 12:00 PM: Start of Afternoon Sessions - Saturday Meet Start Time: 12:00 PM	<u>Early Afternoon Events:</u> - Saturday 11-12 Events: 200 Free, 50 Back, 100 Breast, 100 Fly, 50 Free - Saturday 9-10 Events: 100 Free, 50 Back, 50 Breast, 100 Fly - Sunday 11-12 Events: 100 Free, 50 Breast, 50 Fly, 100 Back - Sunday 9-10 Events: 200 Free, 100 Breast, 50 Fly, 100 Back, 50 Free
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<u>Saturday, November 14</u> <u>1650 Freestyle Session</u>	- Warm-Ups: End of Saturday's Early Afternoon Session - Meet Starts: 30 Minutes after the Start of Warm-Ups - End of 1650 Session: Sunday scratch sheets due at Admin Table	Pool assignments will be made after entries are finalized.

Additional Notes:

- *The meet schedule is subject to change based on entry numbers, combined events, and age-group balance.*
- *This is a timed final, SCY competition swum in two pools. The host reserves the right to use one pool based on timelines/number of entries. There are no qualifying times for entry; events will be seeded SCY, then LCM.*
- *Entry Limit: Each swimmer is limited to four (4) events per day.*
- *Deck entries will be accepted to fill existing heats only.*
- *Meet host reserves the right to limit or combine selected events to complete the session within the guidelines of USA Swimming rules.*
- *Teams will be notified of any limited or combined events by Monday, November 9.*
- *Refunds will be issued to swimmers not able to swim an event due to the limiting of that event. If events are limited, revised Team Fee Reports reflecting refunds and any added athletes will be sent to teams on Monday, November 9.*
- *Accepted teams are responsible for all entry fees submitted in the team's original entry file plus fees for any swimmers added to the meet.*
- *Fees: Fees are due upon arrival at the Admin Table on Friday. Payment is by check payable to Indiana University or by credit card. All fees must be paid prior to the start of the meet on Friday unless special arrangements have been made with the Meet Director.*
 - *Individual Entry: \$7.00*
 - *Indiana Swimming LSC Athlete Surcharge: \$2.50*
 - *Out-of-State LSC Athlete Surcharge: \$5.00*
 - *IU Natatorium Athlete Surcharge: \$1.50*
- *Volunteers: As a condition of acceptance into this meet, each participating team must provide at least one timer per session. The meet host also welcomes visiting volunteers in a variety of other positions. All volunteers receive complimentary meals and parking during their shifts as well as a weekend of fun and fellowship. Visit the event information hub and click on the Pre-Meet General Information Tab – then Volunteer Registration Site to choose your favorite volunteer position. All volunteers must be at least 18 years of age with the exception of timers who must be at least 13 years of age. Sign up now at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084EA9AC2CA1FF2-65805823-2026#/>*
- *Officials: Visiting officials are welcome to join the talented officiating team at the 2026 IU Natatorium Holiday Hoopla. The officials application can be found here: <https://forms.gle/viUTg1oxvzyAdjaC6>*
- *The meet philanthropy will be the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Indianapolis. Collection boxes will be located at both the East and West Concourse spectator entrances as well as the deck entrance for athletes, coaches, and volunteers. Families and participating clubs are encouraged to donate gifts to brighten the holidays for the less fortunate youth in the Indianapolis community.*