# 2016 Western Zone Age Group Championships Safety Precautions and Partitioning

## **Physical Partitions**

- Separate parking and marshalled entrance for "credentialed" participants (athletes, coaches, team chaperons, officials.) Spectators, public and non-credentials meet workers have separate parking areas and entrances.
- Permanent and temporary event fencing around athlete village and team/meet worker areas of the competition pool (Yellow area on map)
- Spectators and public are not allowed in team/meet worker areas
- Marshalled entrances to team/meet worker areas

# Additional Precautions (Due to locker rooms accessible to both athletes and public)

- Meet Marshals present, and/or doing occasional sweeps throughout areas accessible by athletes. Meet Marshals will regularly sweep the locker room areas with women checking on female locker rooms and men checking on male locker rooms.
  - Have also requested facility lifeguards do regular safety checks through locker rooms
  - Developed plan with facility in case Meet Marshalls find trouble in locker rooms. Will have locker room Meet Marshalls on radios so they can alert others quickly of problem and a facility supervisor can be summoned to the site.
- Meet host will give written notification to teams that the facility changing area and restrooms are shared with the general public and encouragement to team leadership to make every effort to recognize when an athlete goes to the locker room or changing area while at the meet facility and, if they do not return in a timely fashion, to check on the athlete's whereabouts.
  - Included in meet announcement, conference call and monthly Team Information Sheet (April)

#### Credentialing

### Deck Passes (From Meet Announcement)

- Deck access is limited to swimmers, coaches, officials and meet workers. Only credentialed coaches, managers, and officials will be allowed in certain areas of the pool complex. There are no exceptions. The deck pass should be visible at all times while on deck. All adults expecting to receive a deck pass must show proof of current USA Swimming membership and be prepared to show acceptable identification (driver's license, etc.) if requested.
- COACHES AND PRE-DESIGNATED MEET WORKERS: Pick up personal deck passes from Clerk of Course desk when open.
- OFFICIALS: Pick up personal deck passes from Clerk of Course desk when open on Tuesday, or prior to the first session worked at the Officials Briefing.
- TEAM MANAGERS: Pick up personal and team (swimmer and chaperone) deck passes from Clerk of Course desk when open on Tuesday. It is the team managers' responsibility to ensure all who receive deck passes from them are current members of USA Swimming in good standing.
- SWIMMERS AND CHAPERONES: Receive deck pass from team manager.

# Wristbands

- Coaches, Team Managers/Chaperones, Assigned Team Officials & Key Meet Workers
  - Will need to wear a wristband in additional to their deck pass. They may wear either a
    "all days" wristband color (1 color good for all days of the meet—may be replaced as
    needed) OR a daily wristband color (need to obtain new wristband each day.)
  - Wristbands for these workers are obtained from the Clerk of Course
- Other Volunteer Meet Workers
  - Will need to wear a wristband with unique color for each day.
  - Wristbands for these workers are obtained from the Volunteer Check-in table

