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| <b>SANCTION</b>                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Held under the sanction of USA Swimming through Potomac Valley Swimming: PVI-27-4.</li> <li>In granting this sanction it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming, Potomac Valley Swimming, Machine Aquatics, and The St. James shall be held free and harmless from any and all liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of this event.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>FACILITY</b>                   | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>The St. James: Sports, Wellness and Entertainment Complex</b><br/>6805 Industrial Road<br/>Springfield, VA 22151<br/>(703) 239-6870</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The pool at The St. James is a 50m x 25yd pool with a moveable bulkhead. Competition will be held in 10 lanes, 25 yards, running from bulkhead to wall. Continuous warm-up/cool-down will be available.</li> <li>Water depth of 7'4" at the starting end and 4' at the turning end of the competition course.</li> <li>The meet hosts shall ensure the required course dimensions.</li> </ul> |
| <b>ENTRY DEADLINE</b>             | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FINAL ENTRY FILE IS DUE BY Thursday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at 11:59PM</b></p> <p>IMPORTANT: The above date is the deadline for clubs to submit their entries to the Meet Director. Therefore, clubs usually set an earlier deadline to receive entries from their swimmers. Check with your club for this information.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>SCHEDULE</b>                   | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup> &amp; Sunday September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026</b></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <p>Saturday and Sunday AM Session:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Warm-Up 7:30-8:20am</p> <p>SATURDAY PM Session:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Warm-Up 11:45am – 12:30PM</p> </div> <div> <p>Events: 8:30am</p> <p>Events: 12:40PM</p> </div> </div>                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>ELIGIBILITY</b>                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Open to all registered USA Swimming members of invited teams. Teams wishing to attend should contact the meet director for approval.</li> <li>No swimmer will be permitted to compete in the meet unless the swimmer is registered as an athlete member of USA Swimming as provided in <i>USA Swimming Rules and Regulations</i>, Article 302.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>SWIMMERS WITH A DISABILITY</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PVS and host clubs, along with Meet Directors and Meet Referees, are committed to the <a href="#">Inclusion Policy</a> as adopted by the BOD. The swimmer or the swimmer's coach is responsible for notifying the Referee, prior to competition, of any swimmer with a disability and of the requested accommodations and/or modifications. It is preferable that this notice be provided on the Accommodations/Modifications form<br/><a href="#">NECESSARY ACCOMMODATIONS FORM</a></li> </ul>                                                                         |
| <b>TIMING SYSTEM</b>              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Automatic Timing (touchpads primary) will be used.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

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| <b>RULES</b>             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Current USA Swimming rules shall govern this meet.</li> <li>• All adults participating in or associated with this meet acknowledge that they are subject to the provisions of the USA Swimming <a href="#">Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy</a> ("MAAPP"), and that they understand that compliance with the MAAPP policy is a condition of participation in the conduct of this competition.</li> <li>• No on-deck USA Swimming registration is permitted.</li> <li>• In compliance with USA Swimming Rules and Regulations, the use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone is not permitted in the changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms. In compliance with PVS policy, the use of equipment capable of taking pictures and/or videos of athletes while they are on the blocks or exiting the pool (e.g. cell phones, cameras, etc.) is strictly prohibited. Credentialed and Meet Host, pre-approved media personnel are permitted to take pictures and/or videos of athletes after they have entered the pool and before exiting the pool.</li> <li>• Deck changes are prohibited.</li> <li>• 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.</li> <li>• Operation of a drone or any other flying devices is prohibited over the venue (pools, athlete/coach areas, spectator areas and open ceiling locker rooms) any time athletes, coaches, officials and/or spectators are present.</li> <li>• Dive-over starts will be used except for Events 3 and 5.</li> <li>• The Meet Director and the PVS Technical Committee reserve the right to limit events, heats, swimmers or adjust the format to conform with the 4-hour provision for sessions that include 12 &amp; U events per Rule 205.3.1F.</li> </ul> |
| <b>EVENT RULES</b>       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>All Events are MIXED GENDER events.</b></li> <li>• <b>All events are timed finals.</b></li> <li>• A contestant may enter a maximum of <b>FOUR (4) individual events.</b></li> <li>• <b>Short Course Yards (SCY) time will be used for entries.</b></li> <li>• Deck entries will be accepted in empty lanes with proof of USA Swimming membership for \$20 per event (and the per swimmer surcharge if not yet registered for the meet). No new heats will be created.</li> <li>• <b>12 &amp; Under athletes may only enter one (1) session per day.</b></li> <li>• Athletes must provide their own timers and counters (if desired).</li> </ul> <p><b>*NOTE: The Meet Director reserves the right to adjust start times to allow the full meet to fit within the pool rental time and USA Swimming Rules.</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>POSITIVE CHECK IN</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All events are positive check in. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The 1650 freestyle will utilize rolling check in.</li> <li>○ The check in deadline for all other events will be 30 minutes after the start of warm-ups.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Athletes who do not check in will not be seeded into the event.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>WARM-UP</b>           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Warm up assignments will be created and sent to teams prior to the start of the meet based on entries per team/site. The prescribed PVS warm-up procedures and safety policies will be followed.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>SUPERVISION</b>       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their swimmers and for cleaning up their team areas.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>SEEDING</b>           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All 200 yard events will be seeded slow to fast. All events 400 yards and longer will be seeded fast to slow.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>AWARDS</b>            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No awards will be provided.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>PROGRAMS</b>          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Programs will be electronically available to parents free of charge.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

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| <b>CREDENTIALS</b>            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parents not working the meet as a deck official, volunteer timer or other position are not permitted on deck. Only athletes, USA Swimming certified coaches, and deck officials will be permitted on the deck. Coaches and Officials should have proof of active USA Swimming membership with them.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>PUBLICATION OF RESULTS</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>By entering this meet, participants (and their parents or guardians, if applicable) acknowledge and consent to the posting of official meet results on the Potomac Valley Swimming (PVS) website. Athlete birthdates will not be included in any posted results. Meet results may be accessed by third-party organizations or applications that use publicly available swimming data for purposes such as rankings, recruitment, or goal tracking.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>MEDICAL ASSISTANCE</b>     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medical assistance will be provided by the facility staff. If you require medical assistance, please notify the facility lifeguard or a member of the meet staff.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>OFFICIALS</b>              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Each participating club is requested to provide at least one table worker or official (Referee, Starter, Chief Judge or Stroke &amp; Turn Judge) per session if entering 25 or more splashes.</li> <li>Officials interested in volunteering should contact Jenn Detrisac (<a href="mailto:officials@machineaquatics.com">officials@machineaquatics.com</a>).</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>TIMERS/ VOLUNTEERS</b>     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Athletes must provide their own timers.</li> <li><b>Volunteer sign up will be sent out to participating families by Machine.</b></li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>ENTRY PROCEDURES</b>       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entries should be submitted by email to the Meet Director at <a href="mailto:entries@machineaquatics.com">entries@machineaquatics.com</a>.</li> <li>Include in the subject of the email, "2026 Distance Run" with the club's initials AND SITE. If your club submits multiple entry files include training site in the subject of the email.</li> <li>Include in entry email: entry file, report of entries by name, report of entries by event.</li> <li>In the body of your email provide entry numbers (girls, boys, totals), contact information (email, phone, officials contact).</li> <li>Entries directly from individual team members will not be accepted.</li> <li>Entries by phone or fax will not be accepted.</li> <li>The Meet Director will acknowledge receipt by return email within 24-36 hours. If acknowledgement is not received in a timely manner, please contact the Meet Director.</li> <li>Any club that enters an unregistered or improperly registered athlete, falsifies an entry in any way, or permits an unregistered coach to represent them will be fined the sum of \$100 by PVS and no further entries will be accepted from that club until the said fine is paid.</li> </ul> |
| <b>ENTRY FEES</b>             | <p>Per Swimmer Surcharge:      \$4.00<br/> Individual event fee:           \$5.00<br/> Deck Entry fee:                   \$20.00</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meet Entry Fees will be charged to your Team Unify Account for all Machine Aquatics Members.</li> <li>Fees for clubs attending should be mailed to:<br/> <b><i>Machine Aquatics</i></b><br/> <b><i>2026 Distance Run Meet</i></b><br/> <b><i>204- D Mill Street, NE</i></b><br/> <b><i>Vienna, VA 22180</i></b></li> <li>Payment for entries from attending teams must be received prior to the meet. Payment may be made by cash or check.</li> <li>Entry fees are due with meet entry. Unpaid fees will be reported to the PVS Administrative Office at the conclusion of the meet.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

# 2026 Distance Run

**All Events are positive check-in.**

**Saturday, Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026**  
**AM Session**

Warm Up: 7:30-8:20am / Events: 8:30am

| Mixed | EVENTS            |
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| 1     | 11 & Over 1650 FR |

**Positive check-in will be rolling.**

**Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026**  
**PM Session**

Warm Up: 11:45am -12:30pm / Events: 12:40pm

| Mixed | EVENTS      |
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| 2     | Open 500 FR |
| 3     | 10/U 200 FR |

**Positive check-in closes at 12:10pm**

**Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026**  
**AM Session**

Warm Up: 7:30-8:20am / Events: 8:30am

| Mixed | EVENTS       |
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| 4     | Open 400 IM  |
| 5     | 10/U 200 IM  |
| 6     | Open 200 FLY |
| 7     | Open 200 BR  |
| 8     | Open 200 BK  |

**Positive check-in closes at 8:00am**