



2006 U.S. OPEN

Qualifying Competition – April 17-19

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GENERAL INFORMATION

The 2006 U.S. Open will be held at the Indiana University Natatorium in Indianapolis, Indiana, from April 20-23, 2006. Competition will be held in 1-meter springboard, 3-meter springboard, 10-meter platform, synchronized 3-meter springboard and synchronized 10-meter platform. The degree of difficulty requirements will be the same as the U.S. National Diving Championships. Divers will be invited to participate in the 2006 U.S. Open based on the following qualifying criteria:

- Members of USA Diving's 2004 U.S. Olympic Team, 2004 World Cup Team, 2005 World Championship Team and 2005 Summer World University Games Team (pre-qualified in the events they competed in at these events)
- Members of USA Diving's Olympic Medals Program (OMP) in the event(s) in which they were named to the program and in the 1-meter event
- Top six (6) divers from 2005 Speedo National Diving Championships (1M, 3M and PL individual events)
- Top four (4) synchronized diving teams from the 2005 Speedo National Diving Championships
- Top three (3) finishers from the 2005 NCAA Championships (Div. I – 1M, 3M and PL events).
- Top three (3) American finishers from the 2005 NCAA Championships (Div. I – 1M, 3M and PL events)
- Top three (3) divers in the 16-18 events (1M, 3M and PL) and first place finishers in the 14-15 events (1M, 3M and PL) from the 2005 Speedo National Junior Diving Championships

A list of "pre-qualified" divers has been attached with this document. Divers that are not pre-qualified for the U.S. Open based on the above criteria may attempt to qualify by participating in the U.S. Open Qualifying Competition in Indianapolis from April 17-19.

The number of "qualifying spots" in each event will depend on the number of pre-qualified divers that accept the invitation to participate in the U.S. Open. A total of 24 spots per individual event and 12 spots per synchronized event will be available at the U.S. Open for pre-qualified divers and divers that qualify at the Qualifying Competition.

Below is a listing of the current **minimum number of qualifying spots** up for grabs at the Qualifying Competition based on the number of divers that are already pre-qualified (**these numbers could increase if pre-qualified divers decline to participate**):

- Women's 1M – 4 spots
- Women's 3M - 8 spots
- Women's PL – 9 spots
- Women's Synchro 3M – 5 spots
- Women's Synchro PL – 5 spots
- Men's 1M - 0 spots
- Men's 3M – 9 spots
- Men's PL – 9 spots
- Men's Synchro 3M - 7 spots
- Men's Synchro PL – 6 spots

In addition, a selected number of divers from foreign diving federations will be invited to participate in the 2006 U.S. Open.

Degree of Difficulty Requirements

You must meet the following minimum degree of difficulty requirements in order to enter the 2006 U.S. Open Qualifying Meet or the 2006 U.S. Open (please see USA Diving rule book for details):

Men's 1M: 15.6

Men's 3M: 17.2

Men's PL: 17.8

Men's Synchro 3M: 11.8

Men's Synchro PL: Pending and TBA

Women's 1M: 12.0

Women's 3M: 13.2

Women's PL: 13.5

Women's Synchro 3M: 8.0

Women's Synchro PL: 8.3

U.S. Open Qualifying Meet - Competition Format

U.S. Open Qualifying Competition will be held from Monday, April 17 through Wednesday, April 19 at the Indiana University Natatorium on the campus of IUPUI. This competition is open to any diver, U.S. or foreign, who is a member of USA Diving and who meets the degree of difficulty requirements for each particular event and wishes to earn a spot in the 2006 U.S. Open. No exhibition divers may enter the Qualifying Competition (i.e. if you are a diver who is already qualified for the 2006 U.S. Open on 3-meter, you may not dive 3-meter in the 2006 U.S. Open Qualifying Competition).

For individual events, divers will perform one list of optional dives (five for women, six for men) for each individual event. For synchronized diving events, the women will perform one list of five dives and the men will perform one list of six dives. Please refer to the 2005 Amendments to the USA Diving rules located on USA Diving's website (www.usadiving.org) as many of the competition requirements have changed.

The number of available qualifying spots for each event will be determined by the number of pre-qualified divers who accept their invitation to the 2006 U.S. Open. A definitive number of open qualifying spots should be available by March 6, 2006.

U.S. Open – Format

Format:

The individual events will consist of preliminaries, semi-finals and finals as follows:

- Preliminaries - Optional dives without limit (five dives for women, six for men). Cut to the top 18 divers.
- Semi-finals – Optional dives without limit (five dives for women, six for men). Cut to the top 12 divers.
- Finals - Optional dives without limit (five dives for women, six for men).

The synchronized diving events will consist of preliminaries and finals as follows:

- Women’s Preliminaries and Finals– each session will be comprised of five different rounds of dives. Please refer to section 113.5 of USA Diving’s rulebook (and 2005 amendments to rules) for specific dive requirements.
- Men’s Preliminaries and Finals – each session will be comprised of six rounds of dives. Please refer to section 113.5 of USA Diving’s rulebook (and 2005 amendments to rules) for specific dive requirements.

Points from each session DO NOT carry forward. However, the points will be used to determine the seeding order for the next session (i.e. in the semifinals, divers will compete in reverse order of their ranking determined by the total scores at the end of the quarterfinals).

Entry Forms and Fees

To enter the meet go to www.divemeets.com. Please read the attached instructions on how to register online. Qualifying competitors must register on the US Open Qualifying Meet, and the pre-qualified divers must register on the in the US Open Championship Meet.

There is a \$25.00 entry fee per diver for each event entered. For synchronized events, the entry fee is \$25.00 per team (\$12.50 per diver). A \$20.00 late entry fee will be charged for **Qualifying Competition entries received after March 17th** or **U.S. Open “pre-qualified diver” entries received after March 3rd** and a \$15.00 late sheet fee will apply for all sheets received after 12:00 noon the day prior to that event.

The 2006 U.S. Open Qualifying Meet and the 2006 U.S. Open are considered two separate meets. Entry fees are due in each event in which you participate. Should a diver qualify for the 2006 U.S. Open through the Qualifying Meet, he/she will pay an additional entry fee to enter the 2006 U.S. Open.

The deadlines for submitting event entries are as follows:

- **U.S. Open Qualifying Competition: March 17, 2006**
- **U.S. Open: March 3, 2006**

Diving Forms

Diving forms will be available on-line and on the pool deck. Please deposit diving forms in the box provided on the pool deck by 12:00 noon on the day prior to your event. A \$15 late fee will be enforced for late diving sheets and, at the discretion of the meet director, late entries will be placed first in the diving order for that event. Please submit one sheet per event in black ink.

Judging

All certified judges may submit a judging form in the box located on the pool deck indicating which event(s) they wish to judge. From the pool of available judges, the Judges Selection Committee will draw judges as specified in 113.15 of the USA Diving Rulebook.

USA Diving International Trip Selection

USA Diving's International Team Selectors will be selecting teams for the Canadian Cup (May 5-7) and the FINA/USA Diving Grand Prix (May 11-14) events. Announcements of these teams will be posted on the USA Diving website by April 25.

Meet Info Sheet and Contact Information

A detailed meet information sheet that follows should provide you with all the remaining information you need for the U.S. Open Qualifying Competition and U.S. Open. If you should have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Meet Director Eric Barnes (317-213-0339) or USA Diving's Jim Quinlivan (317-237-5252).

We look forward to seeing everyone in Indianapolis!

ONLINE REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS:

Follow these easy steps to register:

1. Before giving this information to your team members, every coach participating in this competition must register at www.divemeets.com. You will receive an email with your id and password. **If a coach has already registered in the past, they don't have to register again.**
2. After you register, you can tell your divers or parents to go to www.divemeets.com to sign up and then register for the **2006 US Open Qualifying Meet or 2006 US Open Championship Meet**. They also will receive an email with their id and password. **If a diver has already registered in the past, they don't have to register again, all they have to do is to log in with their divemeets ID and password. If they forgot the ID and Password, they can click on [Forgot your password or DiveMeets ID](#).**
3. Divers or parents will be prompted to the meet information where they will be able to click on the events they are registering and fill out dive sheets for each event. The program will make sure each dive sheet will be sent correctly. If a diver already has a dive sheet in the database with divemeets.com, the system will bring up the last dive sheet in their account. Then, you will be able to make changes if you will like and then submit it. Coaches or divers can make changes to a dive sheet any time after registered.
Note: If coaches decide to register the divers for the meet, they will be able to do that after the divers have sign-up with divemeets.com and have a divemeets ID. Then, a coach logs in and can click on the **2006 US Open Qualifying Meet or 2006 US Open Championship Meet** link. On these pages coaches will find a drop box with the divers of their team. You will choose the diver you want to register for the meet, fill out dive sheet and pay for the event. If a diver already has a dive sheet in the database with divemeets.com, the system will bring up the last dive sheet in their account. Then, you will be able to make changes if you will like and submit it. You will have to do this process for every diver.
4. The fees for the meet will be added automatically and must be paid with Visa or Master card. Checks are not accepted at this time.
5. You will receive an email notification of your registration.
6. Coaches will be able to see the time table online prior to the meet at www.divemeets.com. You must click on Meet-Results-Event Times. Then click on **2006 US Open Qualifying Meet or 2006 US Open Championship Meet**.

2006 U.S. Open and U.S. Open Qualifying Competition
Sanction #16-0601

Meet Director:
 Eric Barnes
 P.O. Box 1546
 Indianapolis, IN 46244-1546
 (317) 213-0339

Send Entries to:
 Online at
<http://www.divemeets.com>
 Or mail to:
 Starz Diving
 P.O. Box 1546
 Indianapolis, IN 46244-1546

Make Checks Payable to:
 Starz Diving



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Meet Site: I.U. Natatorium
 901 West New York Street
 Indianapolis, IN 46202
 (317) 274-3518

Facility: 1-meter-(4) Model B, (2) on concrete stands, (2) on Durafirm stands
 3-meter-(4) Model B, (2) on concrete stands, (2) on Durafirm stands
 1, 3, 5, 7.5 & 10 meter platforms with mondo surface
 17.2 ft. depth

Coach Meeting: Sunday, April 16, 2006 – 5:00 pm
 Location: TBD

Practice Times:

Saturday, April 15	8 am – 5 pm
Sunday, April 16	8-9 am D, 9-10 am C, 10-11 B, 11-12 A Noon – 1 pm Open 1-2 pm A, 2-3 pm B, 3-4 pm C, 4-5 pm D
April 17 – April 18	7-8 am Open, 8-8:50 am C, 8:50-9:40 am B, 9:40-10:30 am A Last event -8 pm Open
April 19	7-8 am Open, 8-9 am B, 9-10 am A, 10-11 am C, 11am -12 pm D Last event – 8 pm Open
April 20 – April 23	7-7:50 am A, 7:50-8:40 C, 8:40-9:30 B Last event – 8 pm Open

Schedule of Events:
U.S. Open Qualifying Competition;

Monday, April 17, 2006
Start 1st Event: 11 am

1. Women's 3 meter Qual.
2. Men's 10 meter Qual.
3. Women's 3 meter Synchro. Qual.
4. Men's 10 meter Synchro. Qual

Tuesday, April 18, 2006
Start 1st Event: 11 a.m.

5. Men's 3 meter Qual.
6. Women's 10 meter Qual.
7. Men's 3 meter Synchro. Qual
8. Women's 10 meter Synchro. Qual.

Wednesday, April 19, 2006
Start 1st Event: 12:30 p.m.

9. Women's 1 meter Qual.
10. Men's 1 meter Qual.

U.S. Open:
Thursday, April 20, 2006
Start 1st Event: 10 a.m.

1. Women's 1m Prelim
2. Men's 3m Prelim
3. Women's 10m Prelim
4. Women's 1m Semifinal A
5. Women's 1m Semifinal B
6. Women's 10m Semifinal
7. Women's 1 m Final

Friday, April 21, 2006
Start 1st Event: 10 a.m.

8. Men's 1m Prelim.
9. Women's 3m Prelim.
10. Men's 10m Prelim.
11. Men's 1m Semifinal A
12. Men's 1m Semifinal B
13. Men's 10m Semifinal
14. Men's 1m Final

Saturday, April 22, 2006
Start 1st Event: 10 a.m.

15. Men's 3m Semifinal
16. Women's 10m Final
17. Men's 3m Final
18. Women's 10m Synchro Prelim
19. Men's 3m Synchro Prelim
20. Women's 10m Synchro Final
21. Men's 3m Synchro Final

Sunday, April 23, 2006
Start 1st Event: 10 a.m.

- 22. Women's 3m Semifinal
- 23. Men's 10m Final
- 24. Women's 3m Final
- 25. Men's 10m Synchro Prelim
- 26. Women's 3m Synchro Prelim
- 27. Men's 10m Synchro Final
- 28. Women's 3m Synchro Final

Directions:

Interstate 65:

From the north, take Exit 114 and follow West St. (Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. St.) south to Michigan St. and turn right.

From the south, turn on to I-70 West from I-65. Take Exit 79A and follow West St. (Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. St.) north to Michigan St. and turn left.

Interstate 70:

From the west, take Exit 79A and follow West St. (Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. St.) north to Michigan St. and turn left.

From the east, turn on to I-65 North from I-70 -- need to get to the far left lane. Take Exit 114 to West St.(Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. St.) then south to Michigan St. and turn right.

Choice Hotels: Choice Hotels is the official hotel partner of USA Diving. Choice provides USA Diving members and fans with discounted room rates and every room night booked directly benefits USA Diving programs. Choice brands include Comfort Inn, Comfort Suites, Quality, Clarion, Sleep Econo Lodge, MainStay Suites, Suburban Extended Stay Hotel and Rodeway Inn

Gold Rated**

Sleep Inn Airport West
5845 Rockville Rd.
Indianapolis, IN
317-247-4100
Distance from pool: 10 min.
Rate: \$59/night
Ask for USA Diving rate*
Free Contl. Brkfst.

Gold Rated**
Comfort Inn & Suites West
5855 Rockville Rd.
Indianapolis, IN
317-487-9800
Distance from pool: 10 min.
Rate: \$65/night
Ask for USA Diving rate*
Free Contl. Brkfst.

Quality Inn South
450 Bixler Ln.
Indianapolis, IN
PH: 317-839-9600
Ask for USA Diving Rate
Distance from pool: 6.1 miles
Approx. Rate: \$69/night
Free Contl. Brkfst

Other Hotel Info:

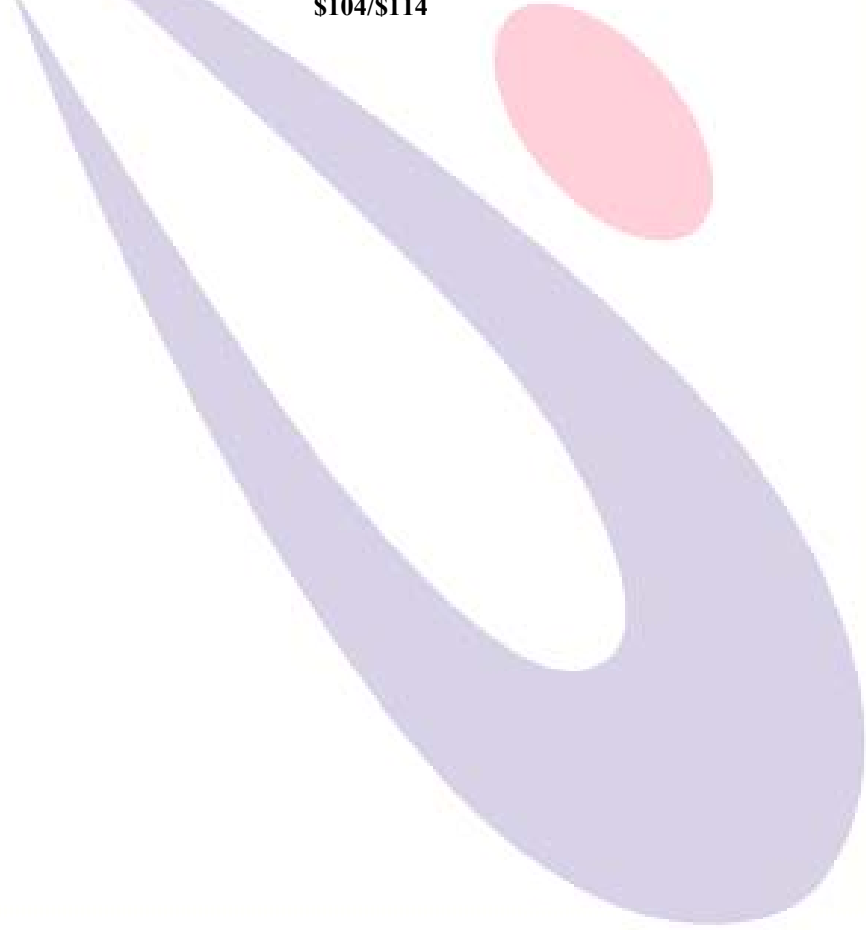
Meet Headquarters**
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