

- ## b. Rules and Regulations

3. **Youth Swimming Competition Rules.** AAU Swimming is conducted under the AAU Code, AAU Aquatics Handbook and the competitive rules of USA Swimming as modified by the AAU National Aquatics Committee.

- 2012 AAU Aquatics Handbook and Regulations

b. Age Divisions

- i. 8 and Under Boys and Girls
9-10 Boys and Girls
11-12 Boys and Girls
13-14 Boys and Girls
15-18 Boys and Girls
- ii. Athlete's age on the first day of competition shall determine the division of the competitor.
- iii. At the AAU Junior Olympic Games, heats for the 8 and Under division may be combined with 9-10 division but will be awarded separately. The 8 and Under division is offered for the 50 Meter events and 200 Meter freestyle relays.

- c. Rules and Restrictions.** Additional rules and restrictions, approved by the National Aquatics Committee, shall be outlined in the Meet Information Packet.

4. **Other Aquatics Competition Rules.** For other Aquatics sports such as Water Polo and Synchronized Swimming, the competition rules of the National Governing Body will apply.

III. EXCERPTS FROM AAU CODE BOOK

- A. AAU Membership.** All participants must be a member of the AAU in order to participate in any AAU Sanctioned Event. Event Operators may not collect AAU membership money at any AAU sanctioned event.

Membership Requirements. Membership in the AAU is a privilege granted by the AAU. The AAU at its sole discretion reserves the right to accept or reject applicants for membership.

1. **Conditions for Membership.** Membership in any class may be granted only after an application is submitted and approved. By submitting an application, the applicant agrees to comply with all the provisions of the Constitution, Bylaws policies, procedures and rules of the AAU.

2. **Classes of Membership**

- a. **District Member.** The organization chartered by the Congress to provide administrative services within a designated geographic area.
- b. **Club Member.** An organization or group that has been approved for membership after meeting the registration requirements of the Code.