

2013 Convention Report  
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**Safe Sport:**

Peer to peer abuse is growing. It was reported that the abuse increased by over %300.  
Topics to discuss with parents: 0 tolerance policy  
Topics to discuss with athletes: hands to self at all times  
Monitor interactions and identify high risk.  
Educate parents and athletes. Resources available: athlete, parent and non-parent training available on USA swimming website.  
Quick page – [www.usaswimming.org/protect](http://www.usaswimming.org/protect)  
Appropriate reporting vs. false allegations  
Expectations of Safe Sport

**Club Development:**

12&under age group memberships increased by %61  
Coach mentoring grant program for LSC's

**Eastern Zone Technical Planning & Coaches Meeting**

Parents Educations  
Coach/Parent Conferences  
North & South sectionals time standards to be the same.  
Discussions to add a senior level meet in the summer  
March 20-23, 2014 is Speedo SCY Sectionals at Ithaca, NY  
March 27-30, 2014 is the Speedo LCM Sectional Meet in Buffalo  
LC Super Sectionals will be July 24-27, 2014 at ECC in Buffalo  
The following item – 204.9 Sectional Championships – was amended and adopted at Convention and will be effective January 1, 2015.

1. Each Zone shall designate its Sections
2. The Senior Development Committee will set nationwide time standards for Sectionals but individual Sections may have standards that are slower than these standards but not faster.
3. The goal size for the Sectional Meet is 700 athletes
4. Sectional meets shall use Online Meet Entry via USA Swimming.
5. There shall be at least 2 springs and 1 Summer Sectional meets in each Zone.
6. Summer Sectional: shall be a LC meet; shall be no more than 4 days long, and shall conclude between 8 and 22 days prior to the US Open or Junior Nationals, whichever comes first; shall have at least one 18-under final heat per individual event.
7. Spring Sectional: should be no more than 3.5 days long (the dates may vary according to the needs of each Zone); shall have at least one 18-under final heat per individual event.