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## Greetings from the Chair // Angela Monty

Welcome to the 2024 registration year! Now that we have a year in the new SWIMS database under our belt, it is time to continue to adjust and grow with all of the updates being made - including the new bulk renewal update. As your clubs have begun registering for 2024, if you find any of your members have issues or questions, please do not hesitate to reach out. USA Swimming staff have started to send tickets back to each LSC for assistance in answering. Please remember that help and support are available.

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With the 2024 Paris Olympic Games right around the corner, we look forward to an exciting year of swimming!

All the Best,
Angela Monty
Wisconsin Swimming
USA Swimming Registration and Membership Committee Chair

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#### 2022-23 USA Swimming Zone Registration Chairs

Eastern: Mary Turner (VA), myturner525@gmail.com Central: Erin Schwab (OH), office@swimohio.com

Southern: Vanessa Brewer (FL), vanessa.brewer@floridaswimming.org

Western: Laurie Benton (PC), laurie@pacswim.org

A complete list of LSC Registration Chairs can be found <u>here</u>. Updates to this page can be sent to <u>estimson@usaswimming.org</u>. A USA Swimming staff resource list can be found <u>here</u>.

Most USA Swimming committee meetings are open to the public to attend. If you are interested in attending a specific committee meeting, visit USA Swimming's Events <u>page</u>.

## Suites at the 2024 U.S. Olympic Team Trials - Swimming

LSCs are already taking advantage of a unique opportunity for members by purchasing suites at Trials! Some ways current LSCs plan to use suites:

- Allowing families of Trials qualifiers to watch races.
- Gifting to clubs and allowing them to fundraise by selling to their members.
- Inviting local corporate sponsors to fundraise for the LSC.
- Donating to coaches as appreciation for their hard work.

There are numerous locations and sizes of suites available, all with various price points. Learn more here.

#### **New Club Application Enhancements**

With recent enhancements, all LSC Registration Chairs can now download a copy of their new club applications! Click <a href="here">here</a> for information on downloading new club applications.

Prior to approving, all LSCs should review the application to ensure all requirements have been met. Please work with your clubs regarding any missing documents, memberships, or required information. When you approve a new club application, the application will be removed from your workflows and sent to USA Swimming staff Hilary Perez and Team Services. Once received, the standard approval process will commence and the membership record will only be created upon approval by NHQ. Click <a href="here">here</a> for information on how to review and approve a copy of your applications.

\*Note: When you receive a club application, a message will appear in the 'Messages' section of your Member Dashboard. We recommend checking the queue at least once a day.

## **LSC Observed/Approved Meet Updates**

Click the below links for updated forms. These updates reflect the items adopted at the USA Swimming House of Delegates and have been updated on the website.

- Form A
- Form B
- Form D

There is no need to send these for approval above the LSC. LSCs must make sure all observed meets are on display on their website, and accessible for other NTV officers to see.

Additionally, 202.7 and 202.8 were approved as proposed. The full packet of actions taken on proposed amendments to Rules and Regulations can be found here.

# Registration/Membership Committee Openings

We want to thank Erin Schwab and Carole Lee for the time and effort during their time on the committee. They will be stepping down and we will be adding two new committee members.

If you or someone you know who would like to apply, please complete the application here before October 6, 2023.

Athlete committee members are selected by the Athlete's Executive Committee.

## **Provisional Coach Membership**

- This membership is only available for new coaches or coaches who have been off deck for more than a year.
- All provisional coaches must be supervised by a coach member in good standing at a 1:1 ratio.
- CPR is the only requirement which cannot be completed online and must be completed by the end of the first year. All other requirements can be done online.

### **Refund Policy**

The refund policy has been finalized. Please click here to view the final version.

#### **USA Swimming University**

Guided directly by coach feedback, USA Swimming has updated its education catalog.

Key updates include:

- More efficient user experience
- Updated look and feel
- Ability to browse course offerings without logging in
- New and improved course offerings

Check it out here.

#### **Athlete Protection Training**

Please be aware the following courses will be updated Wednesday, October 25:

- SafeSport Trained Core
- Refresher 1,2, and 3

If any of your learners have started but not yes finished any of these courses, please advise them ASAP to complete the in-progress course by Tuesday, October 24 to avoid having to restart the course from the beginning. Please plan your training schedule accordingly.

These courses will include new content reflecting the recent 2023 SafeSport Code updates and information about the 2025 MAAPP. They will also include technical fixes to correct minor bugs and these updates will not change the status of course completions prior to October 24.

### **Foreign Forms**

For quick reference, please keep the following forms on hand:

- Foreign Invitation to Athletes and Teams
- Notification of USA Swimming Membership
- Release USA Swimming Member to Join Foreign Federation
- Foreign Travel Permit

#### Miscellaneous Items

• The resource list has been updated. Check the list for help contacting the appropriate USA

Swimming staff member.

• Enhancements to SWIMS - If there are enhancements you think would benefit members and/or SWIMS users, please send to Angela Monty (admin@wisconsinswimming.org).



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