

USA SWIMMING COACH DEFINITIONS 2023-2024

Primary: the coach of the athlete at the time the athlete qualifies for the National Team Roster. The coach must have been coaching the athlete for at least 90 consecutive days within a 12-month period prior to the performance. The Head Coach of a program may include **one** additional assistant coach who coached the athlete to the qualifying performance to receive recognition for the athlete's performance.

Developmental: the coach (es) who provided the training foundation for the athlete for a minimum of 24 consecutive months during the ages of 11-18.

University: the Head Coach of the university program who coached the athlete during at least two collegiate seasons of their university years.

Post- Developmental: any coach who has coached the athlete for at least 24 consecutive months after the age of 18 during the athlete's career.

National Team Coaches List: the National Team Coaches list is published in conjunction with the National Team Roster each year.

- All Head Coaches will be named to the National Team Coaches List.
- Athlete's Primary Coach, as defined above, will be named to the National Team Coaches List.
- If an athlete moves clubs but trained with their previous coach for at least 90 days during the 12 month period prior to the qualifying performance, the previous coach will also appear on the National Team Coaches List and receive National Team Roster affiliation with the athlete.
- If an athlete has been training with a University for more than 12 months, and represents their developmental club, the developmental club will get recognition on the National Team Roster. The developmental club coach will not be named to the National Team Coaches List.
- If an athlete has been training with a University for less than 12 months, and represents their developmental club at the time of the performance, the coach and the club will get recognition on the National Team Roster and the coach will be named to the National Team Coaches List.
- If a current year National Team Athlete changes coaches during his/her year on the National Team, the new coach will not be added to the National Team Coaches List and the original coach will remain on the list. No additions will be made to the National Team Roster or Coaches List.
- Coaches who are not U.S. citizens but coaching in the United States are eligible to be named to the National Team Coaches List.
- Coaches who are U.S. Citizens and coaching U.S. athletes outside of the U.S. will be named to the National Team Coaches List.
- Coaches, who are not U.S. Citizens, of athletes named to the National Team Roster who have been training outside the U.S. will not be named to the National Team Coaches List.
- To be named to the National Team Coaches List, the coach must be a current member of USA Swimming; pass the required USA Swimming background check; be up to date on the Athlete Protection Training, USADA Coach's Advantage Tutorial, and Concussion Protocol Training; and hold CPR, first aid, coaching, and other certifications required for coach members.