

2022-2023

MALLARDS FAMILY COMMITMENT



Competitive swimming helps kids build lifelong friendships, accomplish personal goals, and boost self esteem!

Swim parents play a crucial part of the Mallards swim team. Events such as swim meets, parent information night, Christmas celebration, end of year barbeque and others are only possible with the help of parents and officials. Such events help Mallards families bond, and encourage kids to keep coming back to swim with their friends.

To support and encourage parents participation, Mallards implemented a Family Commitment points system. Parents prepay a commitment fee as a deposit and can earn it back by receiving points throughout the season.

WHAT ARE COMMITMENTS?

- **Commitments** are points that need to be earned during the swim year and they vary according to group. If you have more than 1 swimmer, the points to be earned applies to the swimmer in the higher group.

- 2022-2023 FAMILY COMMITMENTS by GROUPS...

Group	Points Commitment
Hurricane	360
Tsunami	330
Tornado/ Lightning	300
Typhoon/ Cyclone/ Waterspout	260
Avalanche/ Avalanche 1	135

HOW DO I EARN POINTS?

- Taking a clinic (15 points awarded for 1 clinic per family per year)
- Working at our club hosted swim meets.
- Working outside meets.

Points vary according to position worked. (It is much easier if both parents work as that doubles your points per session/meet. Points are tabulated at the end of the year. If you miss volunteering at a meet, you will unfortunately have to work doubly hard at our other meets to make up your points.

HOW MANY CLUB HOSTED SWIM MEETS ARE THERE IN A SEASON?

- Mallards hosts three home meets a year...

Alex Baumann Invitational, Nov 25-27, 2022

Mallards Winter LC Invitational, Jan 27-29, 2023

Mallards LC Challenge, April 14-16, 2023

DO I GET POINTS FOR WORKING IN-HOUSE COMPETITIONS OR TIME TRIALS?

- There are no points for working at In-House Competitions and Time Trials.
- There are no fees charged for swimmers participating in an IHC and TT, while the club incurs an increased facility rental charge for the duration of the event.
- Parents of swimmers participating in an IHC/ TT are expected to work or there will be no event.

WHAT DO I GET FOR VOLUNTEERING / MAKING MY ALLOTTED POINTS?

- You will receive your COMMITMENT Payment back. This is a \$300 payment you have made when you registered and a \$300 Postdated cheque for Jan, a total of \$600

WHAT IF I MAKE MORE POINTS ?

- If you earn more points, you will receive a monetary CREDIT at the end of the year to be used for the following swim season.

WHAT IF I MAKE LESS POINTS or DO NOT FULFILL COMMITMENTS?

- If you earn less than 85% of your points, you will not receive a refund of your commitment payment. If you earn 85% + of your points, you will get a percentage of your \$600 back.

WHY DO WE HAVE MEETS? WHY DO I HAVE TO VOLUNTEER? IS IT NECESSARY?

- When the club hosts a meet, we raise funds that are passed on to the swimmers. Swim dues are kept low and competitive, travel expenses are subsidized for swimmers who are competing at high level competitions (most of which are out of town), Prizes and incentives at our Christmas Party and Year End party which are designed to encourage all swimmers.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Points for Positions Worked...

Options:	Points:	Positions:
Level 1 Positions	20 Points	Timer, Runner, Hospitality, Office, Announcer, Driver
Level 2 Positions	25 points	Inspector of Turns, Head Lane Timer, Stroke Judge, Hospitality Supervisor
Level 2-3 Positions	30 Points	Shadow Positions *
Level 2-3 Positions	35 Points	*Chief Timekeeper, *Recorder Scorer, *Starter, *Chief Judge Electronics, *Clerk of Course, *Session Manager, *Referee
Outside Meets	15 Points	Any Position, to a maximum of 45 pts per season

Sample chart of approx. # of sessions per meet...

Group	Family	-15 pts (Clinic)	Pts Per Meet	~ # Sessions Required Per Meet
Hurricane	360	345	115	Approx 3-4 sessions/ meet (30 pt positions) Approx 3 sessions/ meet (35 pt positions)
Tsunami	330	315	105	Approx 4 sessions/ meet (25 pt positions) Approx 3-4 sessions/ meet (30 pt positions) Approx 3 sessions/ meet (35 pt positions)
Tornado/ Lightning	300	285	95	Approx 3-4 sessions/ meet (25 pt positions) Approx 3 sessions/ meet (30 pt positions)
Typhoon/ Cyclone/ Waterspout	260	245	81	Approx 4 sessions/ meet (20 pt positions) Approx 3 sessions/ meet (25 pt positions)
Avalanche/ Avalanche-1	135	120	40	Approx. 2 sessions/ meet (20 pt positions)