

Bringing/Returning Tents for Meets

Thanks for volunteering to bring or return the tents to meets. Keeping our swimmers out of the sun is a key aspect of their good performance that day! Please read through these guidelines:

Handling Tents:

- Aulea has 4 brand new tent rollerbags and 4 brand new RED Aulea canvasses so it's critical we take good care of them. Please always carry the tents; properly use the rollerwheels; or put on a dolly. Do NOT drag the bags along cement – this wears through the rollerbag and will seriously damage the canvas.

Bringing Tents to Meets:

- Aulea's tents are stored in the equipment room at KDP pool. Unless otherwise noted, always bring the 4 RED Aulea tents in the rollerbags. Typically on the volunteer registration, one person will bring 2 tents and another person will bring 2 tents.
- You will need to get the tents on Thursday or Friday preceding the swim meet during Aulea practice (Kailua Districe park may not allow you in storage unit during non-practice hours).
- Be sure to also bring all the white buckets and ties to secure the tents down at the meet. Whoever picks the tents up first should plan to get the buckets too.
- You can also use the dolly to make it easier to transport the tents to your car and at VMAC.
- Plan to arrive 45 minutes prior to scheduled warm up time.
- Whichever parent arrives first should set up two tents up on the grass against the cement steps (as close as you can get to the officials tent but not behind it). The parents who get there after that should set up the second two tent behind the first ones. Ask other parents to help or at the very least put the tents down and secure the space.
- Set up the tents and secure them by filling up water buckets. Each rollerbag will have a laminated sign in the pocket. Put the "swimmer seating" signs on the front two tents and one of the back tents and the "parent seating" in one of the back tents. Put the rollerbags in one pile inside our tent area.
- Once you set the tents up, your job is done – enjoy the meet!
- If you volunteered to bring tents and you cannot bring them, please find a replacement. If you cannot do so, then please contact the head coach or club administrator as a last resort.

Returning the Tents to Aulea:

- If you volunteer to return the tents to Aulea, you should plan to stay until the end of the meet – even if your child is done swimming! During the last few events, start asking other parents to stick around and help you with the tents.
- During the relays, you can start to take down the tents (or you can wait until the end to focus on watching the relays). Put all the bungees and ties into one bucket. Put the "swimmer" and "parent" laminated signs in the pockets of the rollerbags (one per pocket).
- Return the tents and buckets to Aulea by Tuesday the following week. If you cannot return until later in the week, please notify the head coach. The tents go in the equipment room (use a bungee cord to secure them to the front of the fence in front of our equipment).
- If you volunteered to return the tents and you cannot do so, please find a replacement. If you are not at the meet and cannot find someone, then please contact the head coach as a last resort.