

Financial Agreement

(2020 Short Course Season)



I understand that for my child(ren) to participate with LCA, I am financially responsible for the total membership amount unless my child(ren) is/are released by the Club's Board of Directors. I am obligated to pay Lawrence County Aquatics (LCA) Membership Fees, coaching fees, meet fees and any others incurred during my membership.

I understand that I may apply for the club's scholarship program and upon acceptance will have a separate fee schedule, agreement and obligations.

I understand that Invoices are issued on the first of each month. Fees invoiced on the 1st are due by 11:59 P.M. on the 10th of the same month.

- **Fees invoiced on the 1st must be paid by 11:59 p.m. on the 10th of the same month or a \$10 late fee will be assessed.**

I understand that I may choose to have fees automatically charged to the payment method on file at the time they are invoiced. I may also pay fees "on-demand" using a credit or debit card, ACH, with cash or by check.

- **Accounts reaching unacceptable levels of arrears may be suspended from participation with LCA until satisfactory arrangements have been made subject to board of directors' approval.**
- **Members or former members with outstanding balances may be turned over to collections in order to resolve unpaid balances.**

TRIAL PERIOD (Red, White, Blue, Senior, Diamond Groups ONLY)

I understand that if a swimmer has never registered with Lawrence County Aquatics they will automatically have a 2 week trial period. If the swimmer elects not to continue participation within 14 days of the first practice attended, they will receive a full refund minus any transaction fees resulting from method of payment. Notification of election NOT to continue must be made in writing or email in order to initiate the refund process.

Attending a practice outside of the 14-day trial period will be considered an election to continue.

Trial period swimmers must register and pay for a full single month of training fees as well as a USA Swimming FLEX membership. Should the swimmer elect to continue they will receive credit for a pro-rated month if their first practice is on or after the 15th of the month. They will also receive any necessary credit due as a result of taking the SCMP or Single Pay options.

Upon election to continue a trial swimmer will be invoiced for any additional fees (volunteer obligation etc.) that may be appropriate.

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VOLUNTEER OBLIGATION

I understand that each account is required to contribute a **minimum** of volunteer hours over the course of each season. Expected contributions will be figured at the beginning of each season and will be based on total hours necessary and divided by the number of accounts registered.

Accounts with only Developmental and Minnows swimmers will be excluded in figuring the number of hours required per account. Once a swimmer advances beyond Minnows they will count towards volunteer obligations.

- **Should an account fail to reach the required minimum amount of volunteer hours the account will be assessed a \$100 fee at the close of the season minus \$5 for every 2.5 hours contributed. This will be based on number of accounts that participated during the season not the number of swimmers/accounts active at the end of the season.**
- **Those wishing to do so may opt out of the volunteer hours required for that season by paying \$100 when registering. This option is only available upon initial registration.**
- **All volunteer hours count towards the volunteer rewards program.**

EARLY WITHDRAWAL POLICY

A swimmer that withdraws from Lawrence County Aquatics before the end of the two-week trial period will receive a full refund minus transaction fees.

Should circumstances arise after the two-week trial period (e.g. medical, legal, etc.) release from SCMP or Single Pay obligations may be requested. Requests must be presented in writing or email to the Treasurer (treasurer@swimca.org). The USA Swimming Membership and any fees incurred (such as meet entries) are not refundable.

REQUIRED EQUIPMENT POLICY

Swimmers are required to wear a team suit at all competitions. Swimmers may purchase an official team suit through LCA or may purchase a solid black suit from a vendor of their choosing.

Swimmers in Blue and Diamond groups are required to have a snorkel and mesh bag. This equipment must be available for the first day of practice. LCA has such equipment in stock however, members may obtain this equipment from any source they choose. Should a swimmer not have the required equipment the first day of practice they will be provided a snorkel and mesh bag and the charges for this equipment will be billed to the swimmers account. There are no refunds for this equipment. The current price for this equipment, if provided by LCA, is \$30 per snorkel and \$10 per bag. These prices are subject to change.

- **Swimmers may purchase their own kickboards, zoomers etc. if they wish. However, should such purchases not meet program requirements they may not be allowed to use them in practice. Please consult the head coach before making equipment purchases.**
- **Swimmers may purchase gear such as official LCA warm-ups, parkas etc. through the LCA swim store on the website.**
- **Items such as Premium team swim caps, practice swim caps, long hair swim caps, goggles and other items are available at the pool. A list of items and costs are available on the website and posted at the pool. Swimmers interested in purchasing items should contact the head coach.**
- **Swimmers registering for Red, White, Blue, Senior and Diamond groups at the beginning of the season will receive a regular team swim cap and season t-shirt. T-shirt supplies will dictate availability for those registering after the beginning of the season.**

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PRO RATED FEES

Partial memberships or prorating for mid-season or end of season absences and/or to accommodate vacations or other activities are not available.

Returning members that register between the 15th and last day of the month will receive a credit equal to half of a single month's fees.

MONTHLY FEES

SEASON COMMITMENT MONTHLY PAY:

I understand that to receive the discounted monthly rate I must commit to the whole of the season beginning with the month of registration and ending in March whether the swimmer participates in a given month or not.

- I understand that payments received after the 10th will incur a \$15 fee as well as the standard \$10 late fee. (\$25 total)
- I understand that failure to fulfill the season commitment will not eliminate my financial obligation for the entirety of the season.
- After April 30th Season Commitment Monthly Pay is only available to new swimmers and unavailable to any swimmer after May 31st.

SINGLE PAY:

I understand that to receive the Single Pay rate I must pay for the entirety of the season beginning with the month of registration and ending in March.

- After April 30th Single Pay is only available to new swimmers and unavailable to any swimmer after May 31st.

SINGLE MONTH:

I understand that should I fail to alert the Treasurer (treasurer@swimlca.org) by 11:59 p.m. the last day of the month a \$20 fee will be invoiced to remove and/or refund any monthly fees resulting from late notification.

YOU MUST PROACTIVELY NOTIFY US BEFORE THE 1st IF YOU ARE NOT SWIMMING THAT MONTH!!!!

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MEET FEES

Throughout the season the club will participate in several meets. I understand I will have the opportunity to commit for each meet. If I commit to attend a competition, I am also committing to pay the meet entry fees associated with that meet for my child(ren), regardless of whether my child(ren) attend the meet. I also understand that once the meet entry deadline has passed my declaration cannot be changed.

- **Failure to indicate day or session restrictions when committing to a meet (ex: can't swim on Sunday etc.) will result in a swimmer being entered as though they have no limits on days or sessions. The member's account will be invoiced for all events and fees that result from such an occurrence. Day and session restrictions must be indicated in the notes section when committing.**
- **Deck entries will be invoiced to the member's account.**

DISCOUNTS

MULTI-SWIMMER:

I understand that my membership fees may be reduced for 3 or more swimmers from the same family.

3 swimmers = 10% on total training fees.

4 + swimmers = 15% on total training fees.

- **3 Swimmer Example: 1 Diamond (\$95), 1 Blue (\$85), 1 Red (\$70) = \$250. Less 10% (\$25) = \$225.**
- **4 Swimmer Example: 2 Diamond (\$190), 1 White (\$75), 1 Red (\$70) = \$335. Less 15% (\$50.25) = \$284.75.**

SPONSORSHIP CREDIT:

I understand that my membership fees may be reduced by securing sponsorships for LCA. 5% of the amount of the sponsorship will be applied to the balance due on my account. Only sponsorships of \$100 or more will be eligible. Coordination with the chairperson of the Sponsorship and Fundraising committee (tina@swimlca.org) is required.

VOLUNTEER REWARDS:

I understand that volunteer time, effort and work is necessary for the club to succeed and continue to be available for future swimmers and families. To keep membership rates **well below those of our peers around the state** fundraisers, home meets and events are required. Because of the importance of these events and having the personnel to conduct them successfully we offer a program that rewards hours of volunteer service. Members may take advantage of a \$50 credit on their account for every 50 hours of volunteer time. The credit is only applied upon the completion of every 50 hours. Hours roll over and may be accumulated from season to season.