



2021-2022 Short Course Registration

About Us

Noblesville Swim Club teaches the value of hard work, sportsmanship, and team spirit through swimming.

Mission Statement

Building champions through our community values.

Vision Statement

To be a premier competitive swimming program that maximizes the individual talent of swimmers, parents and coaches. To teach all participants the life skills of self-confidence, discipline, hard work, sportsmanship and team spirit to be carried with them throughout their lifetime.

Short Course Season

While swimming is a year-round sport, we have separate registrations for the short course and long course seasons. The short course season runs roughly from September through March with most practices and competitions in a 25-yard pool, and the long course season runs roughly from April through August with most practices and competitions in a 50-meter pool.

Registration for the 2021-2022 Short Course Season will open on August 12. Practices will start the week of August 30 for the Senior Group swimmers, and September 6 for the Age Group swimmers. Returning swimmers must be registered prior to the start of practice.

Evaluations

All swimmers that are capable of swimming 25 yards of Freestyle and 25 yards of Backstroke unassisted are invited to join the club, regardless of speed. Swimmers that have not previously been members of the club will be asked to go through an evaluation so that they can be assigned to the appropriate group. Evaluations will be offered on August 30 and 31 from 5 PM to 6 PM at Noblesville High School. Swimmers only need to attend one evaluation. If your swimmer is unable to make one of these, contact Head Age Group Coach Breanna Andersen (breanna@noblesvilleswim.com) to schedule an alternate time.

New Parent Meeting

There will be a new parent meeting on September 8 at 7 PM at Noblesville High School in the cafeteria. Any parents are welcome to attend, but the information presented will be focused on information relevant for parents new to the club.

All Parent Meeting

There will be an all parent meeting on September 16 at 7 PM at Noblesville High School in the cafeteria. Both new and returning parents are encouraged to attend this meeting.



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Volunteer Commitment

We will host our annual Ice Breaker swim meet November 5-7 at Noblesville High School, and we will host the Central East Divisional Championship meet March 4-6 at Noblesville High School. To support these meets, each family will be responsible for filling 3 volunteer slots at each meet. **Failure to meet this commitment will result in a \$75 charge for each volunteer slot not filled.** The volunteer slots may be filled during a single session or over multiple sessions and may be filled by anyone meeting the requirements for the slot. All adult volunteers must have a Level 3 background check through Noblesville Schools.

MAAPP

All families are expected to read and adhere to the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy (MAAP). A copy of this policy can be found at the end of this registration letter, as well as on the club's website.

Membership Fees

The membership fees include a registration fee and a group swim fee.

Registration Fee – This is a \$260 fee and includes club registration, USA Swimming registration, and Noblesville High School pool use fee.

Group Swim Fee – This fee is based on a swimmer's assigned group. If your swimmer was not a club member during the 2021 Long Course Season, or if you are unsure of your swimmer's group assignment, contact Head Coach Aleks Fansler (aleks@noblesvilleswim.com) to receive your swimmer's group assignment for Senior Group swimmers or Head Age Group Coach Breanna Andersen (breanna@noblesvilleswim.com) for Age Group swimmers.

We offer two payment options for the group swim fee. The group swim fee may either be paid in full on the October 1 invoice, or may be paid on an installment plan with installments billed monthly October 1 through February 1. There is a 5% discount if the group swim fee is paid in full on the October 1 invoice. We also offer a multi-swimmer discount on the group swim fee of 5% for the second swimmer, 10% for the third swimmer, and 15% for each additional swimmer from the same family.

Choosing the installment plan is considered a commitment to pay all installments for the season, and accounts will be billed for any remaining installments if membership with the club is terminated prior to the end of the season.

Families may pay monthly invoices by credit card, check, or ACH. When paying by credit card, credit cards will be charged the invoice balance on the first of each month, plus credit card transaction fees which are currently 2.95% plus \$.30 per transaction. When paying by check, checks must be delivered to the Treasurer or mailed to the club's PO Box and postmarked by the fifteenth of the month. When paying by ACH, a bank draft will be initiated for the invoice balance on the first of each month, plus a \$1.25 transaction fee.



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Group Swim Fee Schedule (Does Not Include Registration Fee)

Group	Swim Fee	Paid in Full Swim Fee
Ignition	\$300.00	\$285.00
Discovery	\$420.00	\$399.00
Voyager Black	\$505.00	\$479.75
Voyager Gold	\$600.00	\$570.00
Apollo Black	\$645.00	\$612.75
Apollo Gold	\$720.00	\$684.00
Endeavour	\$780.00	\$741.00
Senior Black	\$755.00	\$717.25
Senior Gold	\$840.00	\$798.00

Group Swim Fee Installment Schedule (Does Not Include Registration Fee)

Group	Swim Fee	Oct. 1, Nov. 1, Dec. 1, Jan. 1, Feb. 1
Ignition	\$300.00	\$60.00
Discovery	\$420.00	\$84.00
Voyager Black	\$505.00	\$101.00
Voyager Gold	\$600.00	\$120.00
Apollo Black	\$645.00	\$129.00
Apollo Gold	\$720.00	\$144.00
Endeavour	\$780.00	\$156.00
Senior Black	\$755.00	\$151.00
Senior Gold	\$840.00	\$168.00



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Scholarship Program

We offer a scholarship program to assist families in need with the group swim fee and USA Swimming offers a discounted membership through a program called Outreach. You can find out more details about our scholarship program on the club's website, or by contacting Scholarship Chair Penny Neff (penny@noblesvilleswim.com).

Referral Program

Any family that has been a member of the club for at least one season can receive a \$25 credit on their account by referring a new family to the club. This credit will be applied once the new family has completed the registration process and submitted the name of the referring family to our Treasurer (treasurer@noblesvilleswim.com).

Splash Fees

Splash fees represent a swimmer's entry fee for a swim meet. These fees are *typically* \$5-6 per individual event and \$2 per relay. Each swimmer is also charged a \$2.00 surcharge by Indiana Swimming, and meets at the IU Natatorium also include a \$1.50 facility surcharge. These entry fees are published in the meet announcement for each meet, which can be found posted on the Indiana Swimming website and the club's website once they are made available.

The splash fees for a meet will be billed to your club account generally on the first day of the month following the meet. Splash fees are incurred for all swimmers that are entered in a meet after the entry update deadline for that meet and will be billed to your account even if your swimmer misses the meet. If your swimmer is entered in a meet, but will be unable to attend, let your swimmer's coach know as soon as possible.

Fundraising

- ShopWithScrip - This program not only raises money for use by the club, but also allows families to earn money that can be applied to group swim fees and splash fees. It works by allowing families to purchase gift cards to either give as gifts or pay for everyday purchases. Each gift card purchased offers a rebate that will be split by the club and the family.
- Amazon Smile – Any family that shops through Amazon can help raise money for the club by simply starting at the Amazon Smile website and selecting Noblesville Swim Club as the organization to support. Amazon will donate a portion of all eligible purchases to the club.
- Kroger – Any family that shops at Kroger can help raise money for the club by associating Noblesville Swim Club with a Kroger Awards card. The Kroger Awards card can be an existing card or a new one. Associating a Kroger Awards card with the club does not affect other awards that are earned by using the card.

More information about these fundraising programs is available on the club's website, or by contacting our Treasurer (treasurer@noblesvilleswim.com).



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Meet Schedule

The *tentative* meet schedule for the 2021-2022 Short Course Season is posted on the club's website. Please be aware that as we continue to navigate the challenges from COVID-19, the meet schedule may change based on the availability of facilities.

Apparel

All swimmers that are new to the club will receive 3 team shirts (one black, one gray, one gold), and a latex swim cap. Returning swimmers may request 1 replacement team shirt. Families will have the option of ordering additional team shirts and other spirit wear. Additional swim caps may be purchased at any time from a coach or board member. The cost of a swim cap is \$5 for latex and \$12 for silicone. Payment for swim caps may be made in cash or check, or charged to your account.

Swimmers may wear any suit during practice but are asked to wear either a team suit or an all-black suit during meets. Technical racing suits may only be worn at meets designated by the swimmer's coach, but are no longer allowed by USA Swimming rules for 12 & Under swimmers. Team suits may be purchased from Elsmore Swim Shop.

Gear

The gear requirements for each group are different. At the start of each season, the coach of each group will provide a list of gear required for their group. Gear may be purchased from any vendor, including Elsmore Swim Shop.

Embroidery

Elsmore Swim Shop will embroider any items purchased at the shop with the club logo. Items purchased elsewhere can be embroidered with the club logo by Jester Promotions, MacDesigns, or T&T Promotions.

Websites

- Noblesville Swim Club – <http://noblesvilleswim.com>
- Indiana Swimming – <http://www.inswimming.org>
- USA Swimming – <http://usaswimming.org>
- ShopWithScrip – <https://shop.shopwithscrip.com>
- Amazon Smile – <https://smile.amazon.com>

Social Media

- Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/noblesvilleswim/>
- Twitter - <https://twitter.com/noblesvilleswim>



Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy
Effective: September 1, 2021



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THIS POLICY APPLIES TO:

In-Program Contact: Any contact (including communications, interactions or activities) between an Adult Participant and any Minor Athlete(s) related to participation in sport. Examples include, but are not limited to: competition, practices, camps/clinics, training/instructional sessions, pre/post event meals or outings, team travel, video review, team- or sport-related team building activities, celebrations, award ceremonies, banquets, team- or sport-related fundraising or community services, sport education, competition site visits, conventions and/or summits.

Adult Participants: Any adult 18 years of age or older who is a:

- USA Swimming member, either athlete or non-athlete;
- Participating non-member (e.g., meet marshals, meet computer operators, timers, etc.);
- Authorized, approved or appointed by USA Swimming, Zones, Local Swimming Committees (“LSCs”) or member clubs to have regular contact with (e.g., ongoing interactions during a 12-month period wherein the individual is in a role of active engagement) or authority over Minor Athletes; and/or
- Within the governance or disciplinary jurisdiction of USA Swimming, Zones, LSCs or member clubs.

GENERAL REQUIREMENT

USA Swimming Zones, LSCs and member clubs are required to implement this Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy in full. The Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy must be reviewed and agreed to in writing by all athletes, parents/legal guardians, coaches and other non-athlete members of member clubs on an annual basis with such written agreement to be retained by the club or LSC, as applicable.

DEFINITIONS

Athlete: A USA Swimming athlete member.

Authority: When one person’s position over another person is such that, based on the totality of the circumstances, they have the power or right to direct, control, give orders to, or make decisions for that person (e.g., when a power imbalance exists).

Dual Relationship: When an Adult Participant has a relationship with a Minor Athlete that is outside of the sport program. Examples of Dual Relationships include, but are not limited to, family members, mental health professionals, teachers, medical professionals and family friends.

Emergency Circumstances: A serious, unexpected and possibly dangerous situation that requires quick action and cannot be avoided. Emergency circumstances include, but are not limited to: a physical, mental or emotional medical emergency involving the Minor Athlete, relative of the Minor Athlete or relative of an Adult Participant; a Minor Athlete’s suicidal ideations/behavior; a report of abuse; a severe weather event; and last-minute practice changes.

Electronic Communication: Includes, but not limited to, phone calls, emails, videoconferencing, video coaching, text-messaging and social media.

Event or Facility Under Partial or Full Jurisdiction: Includes any USA Swimming sanctioned event (including all travel and lodging in connection with participation in the event) or any facility that USA Swimming, Zones, LSCs or member clubs owns, leases or rents for practice, training or competition.

In-Program: Activities related to participation in sport. Examples include, but are not limited to: competition, practices, meetings, camps/clinics, training/instructional sessions, pre/post event meals or outings, team travel, video review, team- or sport-related team building activities, celebrations, award



ceremonies, banquets, team- or sport-related fundraising or community services, sport education, competition site visits, conventions, conferences, summits and/or workshops.

In-Program Contact: Any contact (including communications, interactions or activities) between an Adult Participant and any Minor Athlete(s) related to participation in sport. Examples include, but are not limited to contact occurring at or related to: competition, practices, meetings, camps/clinics, training/instructional sessions, pre/post event meals or outings, team travel, video review, team- or sport-related team building activities, celebrations, award ceremonies, banquets, team- or sport-related fundraising or community services, sport education, competition site visits, conventions, conferences, summits and/or workshops.

In-Program Massage: Any Massage involving an Adult Participant and any Minor Athlete(s) related to participation in sport. Examples include, but are not limited to Massage occurring at or related to: competition, practices, meetings, camps/clinics, training/instructional sessions, pre/post event meals or outings, team travel, video review, team- or sport-related team building activities, celebrations, award ceremonies, banquets, team- or sport-related fundraising or community services, sport education, competition site visits, conventions, conferences, summits and/or workshops.

In-Program Travel: Any transportation or travel involving an Adult Participant and any Minor Athlete(s) related to participation in sport authorized or funded by USA Swimming. Examples include, but are not limited to transportation or travel to or related to: competition, practices, meetings, camps/clinics, training/instructional sessions, pre/post event meals or outings, team travel, video review, team- or sport-related team building activities, celebrations, award ceremonies, banquets, team- or sport-related fundraising or community services, sport education, competition site visits, conventions, conferences, summits and/or workshops.

Massage: Any massage, rubdown, athletic training modality including physical modalities (e.g., stretching, physical manipulation, injury rehabilitation, etc.) and electronic or instrument assisted modalities (e.g., stim treatment, dry needling, cupping, etc.).

Minor Athlete: An athlete under 18 years of age who is a USA Swimming member or was a USA Swimming member within the previous 12 months.

EXCEPTIONS

[Note: Exceptions apply only where specified]

Close-In-Age Exception: In-Program Contact between an Adult Participant and a Minor Athlete is permitted if:

- a. The Adult Participant has no authority over the Minor Athlete; and
- b. The Adult Participant is not more than four years older than the Minor Athlete.

Dual Relationship Exception: An Adult Participant has a dual role or relationship with a Minor Athlete. This exception requires written consent of the Minor Athlete's parent/legal guardian at least annually.



ONE-ON-ONE INTERACTIONS

- I. Observable and Interruptible
All one-on-one In-Program Contact interactions between a Minor Athlete and an Adult Participant must occur at an observable and interruptible distance from another adult, except:
 - a. In emergency circumstances;
 - b. When a Dual Relationship exists; and/or
 - c. When the Close-In-Age Exception applies.



MEETINGS AND INDIVIDUAL TRAINING SESSIONS

I. Meetings

- a. Meetings between a Minor Athlete and an Adult Participant may only occur if another adult is present and where interactions can be easily observed and at an interruptible distance from another adult.
- b. If a one-on-one meeting takes place, the door to the room must remain unlocked and open. If available, it must occur in a room that has windows, with the windows, blinds, and/or curtains remaining open during the meeting.
- c. Meetings must not be conducted in an Adult Participant or Athlete's hotel room or other overnight lodging location during In-Program Travel.

II. Meetings with Licensed Mental Health Care Professionals and/or Health Care Providers

If a licensed mental health care professional and/or health care provider meets one-on-one with a Minor Athlete at an Event or Facility Under Partial or Full Jurisdiction of USA Swimming in conjunction with participation, the meeting must be observable and interruptible by another adult, except if:

- a. The door remains unlocked;
- b. Another adult is present at the facility;
- c. The other adult is advised that a closed-door meeting is occurring although the Minor Athlete's identity does not need to be disclosed;
- d. USA Swimming is notified that the licensed mental health care professional and or health care provider will be meeting with a Minor Athlete; and
- e. The licensed mental health care professional and/or health care provider obtains consent consistent with applicable laws and ethical standards, which can be withdrawn at any time.

III. Individual Training Sessions

- a. In-Program one-on-one individual training sessions outside of the regular course of training and practice between Adult Participants and Minor Athletes must be observable and interruptible by another adult, except:
 - i. When a Dual Relationship exists; and/or
 - ii. When the Close-In-Age Exception applies.
- b. The Adult Participant providing the individual training session must receive advance, written consent from the Minor Athlete's parent/legal guardian at least annually, with a copy provided to the USA Swimming, which can be withdrawn at any time.
- c. Parents/legal guardians must be allowed to observe the individual training session.



ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

- I. Content
All Electronic Communication from Adult Participants to Minor Athletes must be professional in nature.
- II. Open and Transparent
 - a. If an Adult Participant communicates one-on-one with a Minor Athlete via Electronic Communications, the Minor Athlete's parent/legal guardian must be copied or included. If a Minor Athlete communicates to the Adult Participant privately first, said Adult Participant must copy or include the Minor Athlete's parent/legal guardian on any Electronic Communication response to the Minor Athlete. Adult Participants must only use Electronic Communication platforms that allow for Open and Transparent communication.
 - b. The following exceptions apply to Section II(a):
 - i. In emergency circumstances;
 - ii. When a Dual Relationship exists; and/or
 - iii. When the Close-In-Age Exception applies.
 - c. When an Adult Participant communicates electronically to the entire team or any number of Minor Athletes on the team, said Adult Participant must copy another Adult Participant.
- III. Requests to Discontinue
Parents/legal guardians may request in writing that their Minor Athlete not be contacted through any form of electronic communication by USA Swimming or by an Adult Participant subject to this Policy. USA Swimming must abide by any such request that the Minor Athlete not be contacted via electronic communication, or included in any social media post, absent emergency circumstances.
- IV. Hours
Electronic communications must only be sent between the hours of 5:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. local time for the location of the Minor Athlete, unless emergency circumstances exist, or during competition travel.
- V. Prohibited Electronic Communication
 - a. Adult Participants are not permitted to maintain private social media connections with Minor Athletes and such Adult Participants are not permitted to accept new personal page requests on social media platforms from Minor Athletes, unless the Adult Participant has a fan page, or the contact is deemed as celebrity contact as opposed to regular contact. Existing social media connections with Minor Athletes must be discontinued. Minor Athletes may "friend", "like" or "follow" USA Swimming's official page.
 - b. Adult Participants must not send private, instant or direct messages to a Minor Athlete through social media platforms.
 - c. The following exceptions apply to Section V:
 - i. When a Dual Relationship exists; and/or
 - ii. When the Close-In-Age Exception applies.



IN-PROGRAM TRAVEL AND LODGING

I. Transportation

- a. During In-Program Travel, observable and interruptible environments must be maintained.
- b. An Adult Participant must not transport a Minor Athlete one-on-one during In-Program Travel and must always transport at least two Minor Athletes or another Adult Participant except:
 - i. In emergency circumstances;
 - ii. When a Dual Relationship exists;
 - iii. When the Close-In-Age Exception applies; and/or
 - iv. The Minor Athlete's parent/legal guardian has provided, at least annually, written consent for the Adult Participant to transport the Minor Athlete one-on-one, which can be withdrawn at any time.
- c. Adult Participants, including team managers and chaperones, who travel with USA Swimming must be USA Swimming non-athlete members of USA Swimming.

[Recommended]

Adult Participants who are parents/legal guardians of Minor Athletes must pick up their Minor Athlete first and drop off their Minor Athlete last in any shared or carpool travel arrangement.

II. Lodging

- a. An Adult Participant must not share a hotel room, sleeping arrangement or overnight lodging location with an Athlete.
- b. During In-Program Travel, all In-Program Contact in a hotel room, sleeping arrangement or overnight lodging location between an Adult Participant and a Minor Athlete must be observable and interruptible.
- c. During In-Program Travel, when doing room checks, two-deep leadership (two Adult Participants should be present) and observable and interruptible environments must be maintained.
- d. The following exceptions apply to II(a), (b) and (c):
 - i. When a Dual Relationship exists, the Adult Participant is not a coach, and the Minor Athlete's parent/legal guardian has provided advance, written consent for the lodging arrangement; and/or
 - ii. When the Close-In-Age Exception applies and the Minor Athlete's parent/legal guardian has provided advance, written consent for the lodging arrangement.
- e. Minor Athletes should be paired to share a hotel room, sleeping arrangement or overnight lodging location with other Minor Athletes of the same competition category and of similar age.

III. Written Consent

A Minor Athlete's parent/legal guardian must provide written consent, at least annually, for all In-Program Travel and lodging during In-Program Travel, which can be withdrawn at any time.

IV. Meetings

- a. Meetings during In-Program Travel must be conducted consistent with the One-on-One Interactions section of this Policy (e.g., any such meeting must be observable and interruptible).
- b. Meetings must not be conducted in an Adult Participant or athlete's hotel room or other overnight lodging location during In-Program Travel.



LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS

- I. Requirement to Use Locker Room or Changing Area
The designated locker room or changing area must be used when an athlete or Adult Participant changes, in whole or in part, into or out of a swimsuit when wearing just one suit (e.g., deck changing is prohibited).
- II. Observable and Interruptible
All In-Program Contact between Adult Participants and Minor Athletes in a locker room, changing area or similar space must be observable and interruptible, except:
 - a. In emergency circumstances;
 - b. A Dual Relationship exists; and/or
 - c. The Close-In-Age exception applies.
- III. Private or Semi-Private Space for Minor Athletes
USA Swimming must provide a private or semi-private place for Minor Athletes that need to change clothes or undress at Events or Facilities Under Partial or Full Jurisdiction of USA Swimming.
- IV. Use of Recording Devices
Use of any device's (including a cell phone's) recording capabilities, including voice recording, still cameras and video cameras in locker rooms, changing areas, or similar spaces by a Minor Athlete or an Adult Participant is prohibited.
- V. Undress
Adult Participants must not change clothes or behave in a manner that intentionally or recklessly exposes his or her breasts, buttocks, groin or genitals to a Minor Athlete under any circumstance. An Adult Participant must not request a Minor Athlete to expose the Minor Athlete's breasts, buttocks, groin or genitals to the Adult Participant under any circumstance. Nothing in this section shall be construed to apply to areas of the body exposed while wearing swimwear which conforms to the current concept of the appropriate for the individual's competition category.
- VI. Showers
 - a. Adult Participants must not shower with Minor Athletes unless:
 - i. The Adult Participant meets the Close-in-Age Exception; and/or
 - ii. The shower is part of a pre- or post-activity rinse while wearing swimwear.
 - b. Parents/legal guardians may request in writing that their Minor Athlete(s) not change or shower with Adult Participants during In-Program Contact. USA Swimming must abide by such a request.
- VII. Monitoring
USA Swimming must regularly and randomly monitor the use of locker rooms and changing areas to ensure compliance with this Policy. Locker rooms and changing areas may be monitored by use of the following methods:
 - a. Conducting a sweep of the locker room or changing area before athletes arrive;
 - b. Posting staff directly outside the locker room or changing area during periods of use;
 - c. Leaving the doors open when adequate privacy is still possible; and/or
 - d. Making occasional sweeps of the locker rooms or changing areas with women checking on female locker rooms and men checking on male locker rooms.

Every effort must be made to recognize when a Minor Athlete goes to the locker room or changing area during practice and competition, and, if the Minor Athlete does not return in a timely fashion, to check on the Minor Athlete's whereabouts.
- VIII. Parents/legal guardians in Locker Rooms or Changing Areas



If a parent/legal guardian enters a locker room or changing area, it must only be a parent/legal guardian of the same competition category and the parent/legal guardian should notify a coach or administrator in advance.



MASSAGES, RUBDOWNS AND ATHLETIC TRAINING MODALITIES

I. General Requirement

Any In-Program Massage performed on an athlete must be conducted in an observable and interruptible location and must be performed by a licensed massage therapist or other certified professional. However, even if a coach is a licensed massage therapist, the coach must not perform a rubdown or massage of an athlete under any circumstance.

II. Additional Minor Athlete Requirements

- a. Written consent by a parent/legal guardian must be obtained in advance at least annually by the licensed massage therapist or other certified professional which can be withdrawn at any time.
- b. Parent/legal guardians must be allowed to observe the Massage, except for competition or training venues that limit credentialing.
- c. Any Massage of a Minor Athlete must be done with at least one other Adult Participant physically present and must never be done with only the Minor Athlete and the person performing the Massage in the room.
- d. Any Massage of a Minor Athlete must be performed with the Minor Athlete fully or partially clothed, ensuring that the breasts, buttocks, groin or genitals are always covered. Nothing in this section shall be construed to apply to areas of the body exposed while wearing swimwear which conforms to the current concept of the appropriate for the individual's competition category.
- e. Any Massage of a Minor Athlete must only occur after a proper diagnosis from a treating physician and be done in the course of care according to the physician's treatment plan.



APPENDIX A
[REQUIRED BY U.S. CENTER FOR SAFESPORT FOR INCLUSION AS APPENDIX TO THE USA SWIMMING MINOR ATHLETE ABUSE PREVENTION POLICY]

ORGANIZATIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR EDUCATION & TRAINING AND PREVENTION POLICIES

All NGBs, PSOs, LAOs, and the USOPC (the “Organization”) must implement proactive policies designed to prevent abuse. These organizational requirements are described below.

A. Organizational Requirements for Education & Training

1. USA Swimming must track whether Adult Participants under its jurisdiction complete the required training listed in Part I.
2. USA Swimming must, on an annual basis, offer and, subject to parental consent, give training to Minor Athletes on the prevention and reporting of child abuse.
 - a. For training to Minor Athletes, USA Swimming must track a description of the training and how the training was offered and provided to Minor Athletes.
 - b. USA Swimming is not required to track individual course completions of Minor Athletes.
3. USA Swimming must, on an annual basis, offer training to parents on the prevention and reporting of child abuse.

B. Required Prevention Policies and Implementation

1. USA Swimming must develop minor athlete abuse prevention policies that contain the mandatory components of the Center’s model policies in Part III. These model policies cover:
 - a. One-on-one interactions
 - b. Meetings and training sessions
 - c. Athletic training modalities, massages, and rubdowns
 - d. Locker rooms and changing areas
 - e. Electronic communications
 - f. Transportation
 - g. Lodging
2. The policies must be approved by the Center as described in subsection (C) below. The policies may include the recommended components in Part III and the recommended policies in Part IV. Given the uniqueness of each sport, however, some recommended components or policies may not be feasible or appropriate. An Organization may choose to implement stricter standards than the model policies.
3. USA Swimming must also require that its LAOs implement these policies within each LAO.
4. USA Swimming, Zones, LSCs and member clubs must implement these policies for all In-Program Contact.
 - a. At sanctioned events and facilities partially or fully under its jurisdiction, the organization must take steps to ensure the policies are implemented and followed.
 - b. For In-Program Contact that occurs outside an Organization’s sanctioned event or facilities, implementing these policies means:
 - i. Communicating the policies to individuals under its jurisdiction;
 - ii. Establishing a reporting mechanism for violations of the policies;
 - iii. Investigating and enforcing violations of the policies.
5. USA Swimming must have a reporting mechanism to accept reports that an Adult Participant is violating the Organization’s minor athlete abuse prevention policies. USA Swimming must appropriately investigate and resolve any reports received, unless the violation is reported to the



Center and it exercises jurisdiction over the report. This requirement is in addition to requirements to report abuse under the SafeSport Code.

C. Policy Approval and Submission Process

1. Each NGB, PSO, and the USOPC may adopt the MAAPP as-is or adapt it to fit their needs. Regardless, each Organization must submit their policies to the Center at compliance@safesport.org for review and approval by January 31, 2021. The Center will approve, approve with modifications, or deny the policies. If the Center denies the proposed policy, the mandatory components of Part III become the default policy until the Center approves the policy.
2. NGBs must require their LAOs to incorporate the mandatory components of Part III. NGBs may require that their LAOs implement the NGB's policies, which may be more stringent than the policies in Part III.
3. An NGB may, in its discretion, require its National Member Organizations (NMO) to implement these policies.
 - An NGB that chooses to require its NMOs to implement the Education & Training Policy must obtain advanced, written approval from the Center to expand the training access to additional persons. Requests must be submitted to ngbservices@safesport.org.
4. The mandatory components of Part III will serve as the default policy for any organization that fails to develop its own policy as required by this section.