



The Irvine Swim League (ISL) is planning to return to Irvine's neighborhood pools this upcoming summer 2021 from June-August. With safety guiding our decisions, the league has developed its protocols and procedures in compliance with local, city, state and federal guidelines as we plan our re-entry to the pools. Our decision to return is guided by the health, safety, and the needs of our community. A recent survey shows an overwhelming interest by our families in a 2021 season to enhance swimmer safety and for the overall health and safety and well-being of swimmers.

The goal of this document is to provide and support our community Homeowners Associations (HOAs) with a controlled and organized operating plan that outlines clear protocols and procedures that all Irvine Swim League (ISL) teams will be operating under subject to any changes as required by the appropriate governing authorities.

At this time, we are requesting approval from each Irvine Swim League team's Homeowner's Association to allow their respective swim team to operate at their pool(s).

### **Pre-Season Training and Management**

- Coaches Acknowledgement Form – The league is providing COVID specific training to our Coaches. Coaches will sign a document acknowledging this training.
- The ISL will review each team's Return to Swim Plan to ensure it meets all of the current requirements and protocols at the federal, state and local levels as well as league specific protocols.

### **Rules and Procedures for ISL Team Practices**

These rules and procedures mirror the procedures recommended and put in place by the City of Irvine, IUSD and certain neighborhood HOA communities with swim team use at their local pools. These guidelines are intended to keep all our swimmers, families, and staff safe as we begin practices.

- Generally, parents will not be allowed on the pool deck during practices except to drop off or pick up their swimmers. Numbers on deck will remain below 40 at all times.
- Signage will be provided to include Maintain 6 feet of distance, Masks Required, Wash Hand/Sanitize Reminders, as well as Max Capacity signs for the restrooms.
- Swimmers, Coaches and Parents will maintain 6 feet of distance at all times.
- All Coaches and parent volunteers will wear a mask at all times. Masks will be provided as needed or member will be turned away.
- All individuals on deck will wear a mask until entering the water.
- Hands will be sanitized prior to entrance.
- Temperature check of all swimmers/coaches/volunteers on a daily basis. Affirmation of no COVID symptoms prior to each practice.

- Swimmers will arrive in gear (swimsuit/cap) ready to begin to limit time on deck and use of facilities.
- Each group will stage outside of the facility or at a designated area where the appropriate spacing is available, and then enter with a coach or parent volunteer.
- All pools will have clearly marked lanes for assignment (numbers/signage provided by the team).
- No shared equipment allowed: personal equipment will be used (goggles, fins, kick boards).
- The ISL team pool will be allow up to 6 swimmers per lane.
- Swimmers will gather equipment, put on mask and exit pool by designated location after practice session.
- Swimmers will not be allowed to remain on the premises after their practice session.
- Signage for entering and exiting facilities will be prominently placed and coaches/volunteers will assist as needed.
- Restrooms are available. Swimmers should wash their hands with soap before and after they use the restrooms.
- Restroom and facility cleaning procedures will be developed in cooperation with the Homeowners Association and facilities management companies to determine enhanced and best practices for each facility used by the team.

**\*These protocols and procedures are subject to change based upon the evolving situation, guidance of local and state health agencies, and the requirements of your HOA.**

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Version #	Date	Description
1.0	1/1/21	Initial Creation of Protocols
1.1	2/18/21	Updated protocols
1.2	3/7/21	Update to 6 per lane for all age groups