

Safety Training for Swim Coaches Training Time Lines

To: Clubs & Coaches

The days of last minute certification in Safety Training for Swim Coaches are over.

The new program is only offered as a blended learning program .

Instructors need 2 weeks to set the training up with the Red Cross. Once the course is set up, the instructor must get the specific course information to the students who must then register with the Red Cross and take the online training at least 48 hours before the in water session. The online training takes about 2.5-3 hours to complete.

Timeline for Safety Training for Swim Coaches

Your program hires an instructor:

1. Find an instructor
2. Instructor sets up the course with Red Cross (2 weeks)
3. Instructor gets information about online registration to students (days?)
4. Students register for online training with Red Cross at least 48 hours before training date.
5. Students take and pass the 2.5-3 hour online training before the start of the in water session
6. Students take the 1.5-2 hour in water training
7. Instructor informs the Red Cross of the student's completion of the course (?)
8. Red Cross enters the information in their data base (1-2 days)
9. Students log into their Red Cross account and down load their certificate.

Your coaches take a scheduled course:

1. Register with Host Organization
2. Host Organization or instructor send you the information for registering with the Red Cross for the online training
3. Student registers for the Online portion with the red Cross a least 48 hour in advance of the in water session.
4. Student takes and passes the 2.5-3 hour online training before the start of the in water session.
5. Student takes the 1.5-2 hour in water training.
6. Instructor informs the Red Cross of the student's completion of the course (?)
7. Red Cross enters the information in their data base (1-2 days)
8. Student logs into their Red Cross account and down loads their certificate.

I would also strongly suggest that you hold a CPR course at the same time as the water training.

1. Both CPR and Safety Training for Swim Coaches certificates expire in two years. Completing them together your coaches will only have to remember one date for these trainings.
2. The Red Cross charges less if you bundle these trainings.

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