

Inland Empire Outreach Membership

What is an Outreach membership?

The 2019 USA Swimming Rulebook says (Article 302.2.2) “*Outreach Membership – Annual membership with specially reduced fees. Each LSC House of Delegates shall determine how athletes qualify for outreach membership.*”

Inland Empire offers an outreach membership. A special Outreach registration form is required if clubs do not use a registration program (eg Team Unify) and are submitting registrations via paper copies. You can find it at: www.ieswim.org ->ADMIN -> FORMS. This membership is always considered “annual”. USA-S charges \$5.00 instead of the annual fee of \$62. IE charges \$2.00 instead of \$15.00. The total fee is \$7.00

There is no steadfast rule for how an Outreach Membership is determined. Here are some issues and examples that might apply to a swimmer’s specific situation and can be accepted for an Outreach Membership:

1. A family qualifies for Free and Reduced lunches and/or Food Stamps.
2. In some cities entire schools and school districts are disadvantaged and they provide free lunch for all students but don’t require an application for free and reduced lunches.
3. Families and swimmers may be eligible but don’t request Outreach status. The club might know of their situation and register them as Outreach.
4. There are temporary circumstances that can also be considered, (illness, job loss, etc.)
5. Some LSC’s trust that a club registers a swimmer as Outreach for the right reason.

Finally,

- a. Some Clubs subsidize club and/or meet fees for registered Outreach Members.
- b. A change in membership status to Outreach can be made at any time.

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