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SAFE SPORT NEWSLETTER



Athlete Protection Training Reminder

Don't forget to stay up to date on your [Athlete Protection Training](#) (APT) requirements.

All new and current adult USA Swimming members, including adult athletes, are responsible for ensuring compliance with USA Swimming membership requirements. APT must be renewed annually in order to maintain compliance. Adult athlete members will not be permitted to participate in USA Swimming-sanctioned competition if this requirement is not met.

Review eligibility for exemptions [here](#).



USA Swimming Branded Pop-Up Changing Tents

All USA Swimming member clubs will receive a USA Swimming Safe Sport-branded pop-up changing tent!

USA Swimming member clubs that achieve [Safe Sport Club Recognition](#) will receive an additional USA Swimming Safe Sport-branded pop-up changing tent **free of charge** and will **receive another upon renewal**.

To purchase additional tents, please click [here](#).

[MORE INFO](#)

Safe Sport Club Recognition Incentives

The second milestone in USA Swimming Safe Sport's most recent incentives is right around the corner.

Local Swimming Committees (LSCs) with the following percentages of member clubs achieving Safe Sport Club Recognition within the stated timeframes will receive the financial incentive and Match-Up Promotions coupon codes detailed below*:

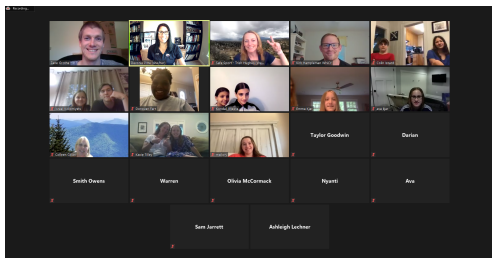
- **50% of member clubs in the geographic territory achieve Recognition by June 15, 2021: \$2,000 and \$300 Match-Up coupon code.**
- 75% of member clubs in the geographic territory achieve Recognition by July 1, 2021: \$2,500 and \$400 Match-Up coupon code.
- 100% of member clubs in the geographic territory achieve Recognition by September 1, 2021: \$3,000 and \$500 Match-Up coupon code.

Wondering how to get started? View the Safe Sport Club Recognition FAQs [here](#), then follow [these](#) easy steps to add an additional user to your club portal.

To read more about these incentives, click the link below.

**Seasonal USA Swimming Registered Clubs are not required to become Safe Sport Recognized for LSCs to achieve the total percentages and receive the incentives. However, if LSC's have seasonal clubs that are Safe Sport Recognized, those clubs will count towards the required percentage.*

INCENTIVES



May 2021 National Team Visit Winner

On Thursday, May 27, [YMCA of Western North Carolina](#) had a virtual visit with [Zane Grothe](#).

Learn more about how to win a visit from a National Team member or alum by becoming a Safe Sport Recognized club [here](#).

PREVIOUS RECIPIENTS

2021 SSRP Trainings

Safe Sport is committed to creating a healthy environment that is free from abuse for all members. As we continue with virtual learning opportunities throughout 2021, we will be increasing security measures to keep parents, athletes and coaches safe during trainings. Starting in January, **all trainings will require individuals to register ahead of time.**

In addition, we have enhanced our Safe Sport Trainings' security measures and will have the following in place:

- Meetings will be locked
- Athlete attendees will only have access to chat with hosts
- Multiple USA Swimming Safe Sport staff will be on all trainings and will monitor participant video share
- Frequent check-ins with attendees
- Screen share and annotation capabilities will be disabled
- Meetings will require registration and athlete training registrations will be cross-checked with USA Swimming member records
- USA Swimming has enabled the At-Risk Meeting Notifier tool from Zoom. This tool searches the public internet for Zoom meeting information and checks the meeting's

security settings. Zoom notifies USA Swimming if a meeting appears to be at high risk for being disrupted. This tool is enabled for all USA Swimming hosted Zoom meetings.

Safe Sport trainings are held monthly, please view trainings dates through March 2021 below:

Parent Training:

- Wednesday, June 23, 2021 at 8 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Wednesday, July 14, 2021 at 8 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Wednesday, August 25, 2021 at 8 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Wednesday, September 15, 2021 at 8 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))

Athlete Training (ages 12-18):

- Thursday, June 24, 2021 at 8 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Thursday, July 15, 2021 at 8 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Thursday, August 26, 2021 at 8 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Thursday, September 16, 2021 at 8 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))

Coach Training:

- Friday, June 25, 2021 at 3 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Friday, July 16, 2021 at 3 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Friday, August 27, 2021 at 3 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Friday, September 17, 2021 at 3 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))

If you cannot attend these trainings, athletes and parents can independently complete trainings using the USA Swimming LEARN platform. Click the link below for more info on Safe Sport trainings.

**TRAINING
WEBSITE**

Free Resources

USA Swimming Safe Sport Leadership Conference

Watch the [webinars](#) from the 2021 USA Swimming Safe Sport Leadership Conference.

Resources for You and Your Club

Read more on the [USA Swimming Safe Sport resources](#) available to you now.

Safe Sport Club Recognition Tips Sheet

Has your club achieved Safe Sport Club Recognition? Use our [Tips Sheet](#) to help spread the

word.

Safe Sport Activity Books

The Activity Books are still available! To purchase books, please visit our purchasing page [here](#). PDF versions for [5-11 year olds](#) and [12-18 year olds](#) are also available to download.

Meet 360

This [informational resource guide](#) will help assist administrators in creating a healthy and positive environment free from abuse for athletes during swim meets.

Team Talk Page

Use [this page](#) to access free materials such as the [Coaching Boys Into Men](#) and [Athletes As Leaders](#) cards.

Friendly Reminders

SSRP Renewals

- Safe Sport Club Recognition status expires after two years. If you are coming up on your expiration, please start gathering your information. For more information on how to renew, visit [here](#).

Athlete Protection Training (APT) Exemptions

- Please reference [this](#) document for exemptions and accommodations for APT.

Keep Us in the Loop

- We want to know what your LSC & teams are doing – send us a picture at safesport@usaswimming.org with a brief description for a chance to be featured online or in our next newsletter.

Each Zone has a USA Swimming Zone Safe Sport Chair who assists in the training of and dissemination of information to the LSC Safe Sport Chairs/Coordinators. It is important to know who your Zone Chair is because they will help guide, support and share information with you.

The USA Swimming Safe Sport staff is proud to be working with all of our Zone Safe Sport Chairs. See below for the 2021 USA Swimming Zone Safe Sport Chairs and their email addresses.

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