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**Safe Sport Newsletter: March 2022**

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## SAFE SPORT NEWSLETTER



### Reach Out to Your Zone Safe Sport Chair

Reach out to your USA Swimming Zone Safe Sport Chair to check in! Take the time to establish a relationship with your Zone Chair and see if they have any recommendations for you.

Remember, each Zone Chair can assist in the training of and dissemination of information to LSC Safe Sport Chairs/Coordinators. It is important to know who your Zone Chair is as they will help guide, support and share information with you throughout the year.

See below for our current USA Swimming Zone Safe Sport Chairs and their email addresses.

Central Zone | Paul Stauder | [paul.stauder@att.net](mailto:paul.stauder@att.net)

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## USA Swimming Workshop presented by LiveBarn

The 2022 USA Swimming Workshop is a little more than a month away! It will take place April 21-24 in Denver, Colorado and will feature content for coaches, Local Swimming Committee members, athlete and non-athlete members.

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### Athlete Protection Training

APT is required for all adult USA Swimming members, including athletes. This must be done annually to maintain compliance.

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### Activity Books

You can either [purchase](#) books on Match-Up or download PDF versions for [5-11 year olds](#) and [12-18 year olds](#).

[VIEW MORE RESOURCES](#)



### U.S. Center for SafeSport

Make sure you have the new number saved.

It is 1-833-5US-SAFE (587-7233).

[REPORT A CONCERN](#)

## 2022 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 2022, we will be increasing security measures to keep parents, athletes and coaches safe during trainings. **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 upcoming training dates below:

***Parent Training:***

- Tuesday, March 15 at 8 p.m. ET ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Tuesday, April 5 at 8 p.m. ET ([REGISTER HERE](#))

***Athlete Training (ages 12-18):***

- Wednesday, March 16 at 8 p.m. ET ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Wednesday, April 6 at 8 p.m. ET ([REGISTER HERE](#))

***Coach Training:***

- Thursday, March 17 at 3 p.m. ET ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Thursday, April 7 at 3 p.m. ET ([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**

## Child Abuse Prevention Month

USA Swimming's top priority continues to be creating healthy and positive environments free from abuse for all its members. With April being Child Abuse Prevention month, USA Swimming Safe Sport staff will continue educating our members on the many [free resources](#) available.

To start, take a look at the below links:

- [Club Toolkit](#)
- View USA Swimming Safe Sport [policies](#) and [best practice guidelines](#)
- Review and customize club requirements, such as the [Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy \(MAAPP\)](#)
- Take the [Athlete Protection Training](#) course
- Become a [Safe Sport Recognized Club](#)
- [Report](#) a concern
- Review the list of [individuals permanently suspended or ineligible for membership](#)

Check back on USA Swimming's website and social channels next month to learn more.

## Free Resources & Reminders

### ***Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy***

Stay up-to-date on all things related to MAAPP.

### ***Safe Sport Club Recognition Tips Sheet***

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

### ***Coaching Boys Into Men and Athletes As Leaders Cards***

These free, digital cards are available for clubs on [USA Swimming's Safe Sport Team Talk](#) page.

### ***Parent Resource Guide***

Although these were sent to every USA Swimming member household, save the digital copy for future reference!

### ***Guide to Child Physical Abuse***

Whether you are a coach or volunteer, become familiar with this guide.