

Age Group Chair Convention Report

Risk Management

- Insurance coverage for “approved” activities. Get approval from insurance co.
- Report of Occurrence must be prepared and submitted. They will track and take necessary steps to prepare if they believe civil action is likely in a timely fashion.
- Many Parents call insurance co. to submit claims where Report of Occurrence where never submitted.
- Sample Liability forms for various purposes provided. Make appropriate adaptations for your needs and to comply with state laws. (Check with attorney)
- Consider creating a parent code of conduct for parents to sign.
- Certificates Now program online. Contact Carmen at ext 10 if you run into problems

Optional Insurance Coverage

Optional insurance coverage should be considered to guard against actions resulting from, denial of membership, late report of occurrence filing, disciplinary action against an athlete or wrongful terminations suits. Costs are \$375-\$1200 per year for \$1,000,000 of coverage and are based upon number of athletes and employees.

General Liability for learn to swim programs @ \$3.55 per participant (\$600 minimum)

Property Insurance for equipment, office equipment etc.

Background Screening

The screening program will commence immediately with 5 test LSC. Initially, only coaches will be screened. Positions to be screened may be increased in the future. See Sheet for test procedure

Club Development

The IMX ranking system is completely automatic and provides valuable tools to track the progress of your athletes. They can be compared against athletes on your team, in your LSC, Zone and on the National level. All coaches should go onto the USA Swimming website and log onto IMX as a coach and explore. See IMX sheet

The Virtual Club Championship is also tabulated automatically. Coaches simply need to log on and view their rankings in various formats. There is an excellent Report Card like function that will allow a club to see their performance in sex, age group and race type categories. This can help you determine where your strengths and weaknesses are and allow for the appropriate planning.

The Club Recognition Program is an optional program that measures clubs in the following areas

1. Business and Organizational Success
2. Parent and Volunteer Development
3. Coach Development and Education
4. Athlete Development and Performance

Clubs who go through this, web based, verification process will receive Level Designators 1 – 4 (similar to ASCA level designators. These will eventually be displayed alongside clubs on the club locator search function on the USA Swimming website. See handout

Parent Education

All Teams were sent the Parent Education CD in the mail. The amount of information, forms, videos, etc. will be very useful to all teams. Everyone should take it off their shelves, dust it off and roam through it. It can be a valuable resource and help to solve many problems that exist on most programs.

Eastern Zone Notes

Due to concerns of potential serious oversubscription of the spring zones, the Eastern Zone Board had decided we will revert to only 2 entries per LSC for winter zones.