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What's New in Safe Sport?

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History of USA Swimming Safe Sport

Established 2010 to Curb Athlete Abuse in the Sport

Code of Conduct and Policies

List of Banned Individuals

Educational Outreach Videos, Printed and Digital Training for Members

LSC Chairs / Coordinators added in 2013 to Build Network

External Audits Showed Voluntary Training Was Not Widely Consumed

Safe Sport Policies and Recognition Program (SSRP)

Electronic Communication

Travel

Bullying - Clubs could adopt a local school policy as their own

Safe Sport Recognition Program for Clubs

Club Coordinator (USA Swimming Member)

Watch the videos

Communicate and enforce 3 main policies

Report abuse

Approximately 1 in 3 clubs in Indiana are embracing SSRP currently

National Center for Safe Sport

Established by Congress following USA Gymnastics abuse case to govern Safe Sport programs for all US Olympic Governing Bodies (NGBs)

Took over investigation and jurisdiction for all sexual abuse cases in all NGBs.



MAAPP

Minor Athlete Abuse Protection Policy - Est. 2018

Pervasive through all Olympic Sports - rewrote USA Swimming policies

- Applicable Adult accountability

- Travel

- Electronic Communication

- Locker Rooms

- Massages

- Bullying not included - remained at club level

Makes more adults, including 18+ athletes, accountable for reporting abuse

MAAPP 2.0

Effective for all of USA Swimming September 1, 2021

Applicable Adult changed to Adult Member, includes employees & board members

Electronic communication window expanded to 5 a.m. for morning practices

List of exceptions to policies better defined

- Emergency circumstances

- Close in age

- Parent member

- Dual role

- Athlete assistant*

MAAPP 2.0

Locker Room and Massage Applications

Private or Semi-Private Dressing Space Required for Minor Athletes

Stalls

Pop-up tents

Definitions of undress - no exposed breasts or genitals in locker rooms or massages

Parents must tell other adults if allowed to enter dressing areas

Random sweeps still recommended

MAAPP 2.0 - Key Definitions

In-Program (MAAPP applies):

Examples include, but are not limited to: competition, practices, meetings, camps/clinics, training/instructional sessions, pre/post event meals or outings, team travel, video review, team-or sport-related team building activities, celebrations, award ceremonies, banquets, team-or sport-related fundraising or community services, sport education, competition site visits, conventions, conferences, summits and/or workshops.

MAAPP travel and massage policy applies here, as well

MAAPP 2.0 - Key Definitions

Adult Participants

Any adult 18 years of age or older

- USA Swimming member, either athlete or non-athlete (all must take APT)
- Participating non-member - meet marshals, computer operators, timers, etc. who have regular contact with or authority over Minor Athletes
- July 15 memo - Employees and board members must be non-athlete members (requirement implementation extended to January, 2022).

QUESTIONS?

<https://www.usaswimming.org/safe-sport/minor-athlete-abuse-prevention-policy>



Safe Sport Recognition Program

Safe Sport Recognition (SSRP) measures a club's commitment to providing a healthy and positive environment, free from abuse, for all its members through the development and implementation of club governance measures, Safe Sport policies and reporting mechanisms, Safe Sport best practices and regular training for athletes and parents.

Safe Sport Recognition Program

Application Portal Mirrors Club Recognition Portal

Access is partitioned for multiple administrators

Some metrics/data duplicates to reduce busywork

Portal due for reconfiguration/ease of use

Badge Renews Every 2 Years

Application portal is wiped two months before renewal date (don't start early!)

Clubs notified in advance by Safe Sport office

Membership changes impact education points/percentages

Video views for parents and athletes have a 1-year shelf life

Safe Sport Recognition Program

PRO TIPS:

Encourage athletes and parents to take part in the USA Swimming monthly training Zoom to build your video views/education points.

Hold a parent/athlete video training session, take roll, and give attendance prizes.

Have parents/athletes print their certificates when they complete the video, and have them submit them for prize drawings.

Apply in the summer when your membership numbers are generally lower.

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