

	<h2>Policies and Procedures</h2>	
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- MEMBERSHIP – Membership is required for all athletes, clubs, affiliated groups, coaches, officials, and specified administrators.
 - Membership is optional for parents of swimmers and others.
 - Athletes, officials, and other members may register as a member of a USA Swimming Club or as “Unattached-Oklahoma.”
 - The registration date becomes effective the date the registration document is completed and paid for via the USA Swimming online registration process.

- MEMBERSHIP DURATION – All memberships must be applied for annually or seasonally, except for life memberships.

- OKSI Offers four individual membership types:
 - SEASONAL
 - Season 1- November 1st through the third Sunday in March.
 - Season 2- May 1st through August 15th.
 - ANNUAL– Annual memberships cover the calendar year except when they are applied for on or after September 1 in which case they are effective through December 31 of the following year.
 - SINGLE MEET OPEN WATER – Single meet open water memberships cover a specific date of an open water competition. The athlete must compete in an unattached status. There is no limit on the number of single meet open water memberships an individual may obtain during a registration year.
 - FLEX - Flex memberships are offered for athletes 12-under. There is a two (2) meet sanctioned meet limit. These meets must be below the LSC Championship, Zone, Sectional, and National levels.

- MEMBERSHIP FEES – Membership fees are comprised of a national fee established by USA Swimming and a fee established by OKS.
 - All fees must be made directly to USA Swimming during the registration process.
 - OUTREACH- USA Swimming offers a reduced registration fee for athletes from low-income families.

- The purpose of this program is to provide competitive swimming opportunities to the underrepresented and economically disadvantaged youth in the United States. The Outreach Program reduces the annual membership fee an athlete pays to USA Swimming to \$5.
- QUALIFICATION CONSIDERATIONS- Submit documentation to club registrar who should maintain records. Use eligible programs that are based on individual family economics:
 - Federal food stamp program
 - Federal housing documentation
 - WIC Program (Women, Infant and Children Federal Nutrition Program)
 - AFDC
 - Medicaid Medical Card
 - TANF
 - Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)
 - Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
 - Federal poverty schedule

Change Log					
Version	Date	Description of Change / Sections	Author or Editor	Authority	Control Number
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