

Provisional Coaching Membership

- This membership is only available for new coaches or coaches who have been off deck for more than a year.
- All coaches under this membership must be supervised by a coach member in good standing at a 1:1 ratio.
- CPR is the only requirement which cannot be completed online, and must be completed by the end of the first year. All other requirements can be done online.
- Membership fee is the same as regular coach membership

USA Swimming is adding a Provisional Coach Membership option in the Online Member Registration (OMR), beginning September 1, 2023. The goal of this new membership category is to remove barriers to encouraging new coaches to enter our sport.

Highlights of the Provisional Coach Membership:

- Members can join in this category for a total of three registration years.
- Requires only online training and requirements.
- More cost efficient for clubs that choose to cover this cost.

Online Requirements:

- Safety Training for Coaches Online
- Athlete Protection Training
- Background Check
- Concussion Training
- Quality Coaching Framework/Welcome to USA Swimming
- CANRA (for California residents only)

Recommended (not required):

- USADA CAT
- In-Water Safety Training for Swim Coaches
- Core Certification

The Provisional Coach Membership is not offered to coaches who have already completed the entire catalogue of training to become a coach, unless they stopped coaching, left the sport and then decided to return after multiple years away from the sport.