



**FIRST COLONY SWIM TEAM, INC.  
MASTERS SWIMMING REGISTRATION AND MEMBERSHIP POLICY 2021**

**A. Annual Registration Fees**

1. **US Master's Swimming ("USMS") registration fee** (\$60.00) for each swimmer paid directly to US Master's Swimming. First Colony Swim Team ("FCST") is affiliated with US Masters Swimming and the Gulf Local Masters Swim Committee (LMSC). Each swimmer must be registered with USMS before joining First Colony Master's Swimming. Swimmers register and pay online at [www.usms.org](http://www.usms.org). USMS registration is annual with registration expiring December 31st of the registered year. Membership with USMS provided insurance coverage for members and staff.

2. **FCST Master's registration fee** is \$35.00 for each new and returning swimmer. This registration fee is non-refundable. All swimmers registering with the team will receive a FCST Master's t-shirt and swim cap. The FCST registration fee will be collected from new swimmers at registration and will be billed for existing swimmers February 1st through the swimmer's FCST account via the credit card on file.

3. **FCST Facility Fees** are billed twice annually through your membership account.

- Spring facility fee of \$25.00 billed on April 1st
- Fall facility fee of \$35.00 billed October 1st

**B. Monthly Dues**

1. Unlimited swimming (any time or location): \$85.00 per month
2. Two times per week (does not have to be the same each week). \$65.00 per month
3. Discounts for FCST Competitive Youth Swimmer Families: Masters swimmers with children swimming on the competitive team of FCST will receive a 15% discount on monthly Master's swimming dues.

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### **C. Payment Policy and Method**

1. You are required to set up a credit card in your account for payment purposes.
2. Your billing summary will be emailed prior to the end of each month. Please review your summary immediately.
3. You will have until the 26th of each month to notify the Finance Manager [fcstadmin@swimfcst.com](mailto:fcstadmin@swimfcst.com) of any perceived errors on your bill.
4. On the first of each month your invoice will be emailed and your monthly payment will be charged to the card on file.
5. Any bank fees charged to FCST for decline of the payment for any reason will be charged back to the member's account.

#### **FCST Past Due Policy:**

1. An account balance not paid by the 11th of the month, will assess a \$15 late fee.
2. If an account is 30 days past due, swimmer will not be allowed to practice.
3. If an account is past due, no items can be purchased from the team store.

### **D. Termination, partial month and dues change policy**

1. There will be no prorating for partial months of swimming with the exception of a new swimmer registering after the 15th of the month, in which case the first month may be prorated.
2. Terminations, switching from unlimited to 2x/week, or from 2x/week to unlimited can only be done at the end of a month. Notification of changes must be emailed to [fcstadmin@swimfcst.com](mailto:fcstadmin@swimfcst.com) prior to the 1st of the month you want to make the change.
3. If termination notification is made after the 1st of the month you will be responsible for that month's dues.

### **E. Practice on Holidays**

Alternate holiday schedules may occur during the competitive team break in August, and all holidays throughout the year depending on the availability of staff.

### **F. Swimmer Conduct and Practice attendance**

1. All swimmers are expected to follow all FCST policies regarding practices.
2. Swimmers should never enter the pool area without a Masters coach on deck.
3. Deck changing is not allowed under any circumstance.

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