

2025-2026 CAST Fee Structure

To maintain transparency, flexibility and control of the CAST budget, this Cost Structure lays out all the financial responsibilities of CAST members.

Annual Commitments:

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| USA Swimming Registration Billed Oct 1 | Fee set annually by LSC and USA Swimming | | Per swimmer. 2024-2025 Fees (for reference): These fees change annually slightly and membership will be notified once 25/26 fees have been released. USA Swimming Fee: The annual fee for USA Swimming membership is \$70. IES Fee: The Inland Empire Swimming (IES) fee is \$21. Total Fee: The total cost for both registrations is \$91. Required by USA Swimming and paid directly to USA-S by CAST via bulk club renewal and billed on Oct 1 billing cycle. |
| Required Minimum Fundraising Commitment Due July 31 | Bronze: Silver: Gold: Emerald: Champs: Elite: Pre-National | \$300 \$300 \$300 \$400 \$400 \$500 \$500 | Per swimmer. This commitment can be met by participating in various fundraising opportunities and/or securing a sponsorship. Every CAST family is encouraged to participate in all team fundraisers for the benefit and enrichment of our program and athletes. |
| Required Service Hours Commitment Due July 31 | 12 hours | | Per family. Supporting CAST on deck during CAST hosted, multi-team sanctioned events and out of town competitions attended by CAST. Shortage of hours billed at \$50/hour |
| CAST Registration Fee | | | Per family. Registration by September 18, 2025 is \$0 Registration after September 18, 2025 is \$150 |

CAST Registration Fee:

CAST offers year round registration to our team. The CAST registration fee is waived if registered and committed to CAST by September 20, 2025. Registration following September 20, 2025 will include all the same policies and agreements with the addition of a \$150 CAST Registration Fee. Service Hours and Fundraising commitments are prorated upon registration.

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USA Swimming Registration Fee:

USA Swimming (USA-S) and Inland Empire Swimming (IES) are our governing bodies. Each swimmer MUST be registered with USA-S in order to swim with the Coeur d'Alene Area Swim Team. The USA Swimming fee is subject to change by a small amount each year, depending on the determination of the LSC and USA Swimming, and USA Swimming rate has not yet been announced for the upcoming season.

CAST will bulk renew existing athlete memberships in the month of October, and the registration fee determined by USA Swimming and Inland Empire Swimming LSC will be billed on the October 1 auto billing cycle.

Club transfers and membership upgrades will be accomplished by parents through the USA Swimming online registration system if joining the team mid-season after the October bulk renewal process.

Monthly Commitment:

| Practice Group: | Annual Total: | 12 Monthly Payments: |
|-----------------|---------------|----------------------|
| Bronze | \$1,100 | \$110 |
| Turquoise | \$1,440 | \$120 |
| Silver | \$1,440 | \$120 |
| Gold | \$1,560 | \$130 |
| Emerald | \$1740 | \$145 |
| Champs | \$2160 | \$180 |
| Elite | \$2160 | \$180 |
| Pre-National | \$2160 | \$180 |

The commitment to CAST is for a year of swimming with our team. The dues are payable in twelve monthly installments. Rates vary according to practice group. Monthly dues are invoiced and due on the 1st of each month and considered late by the 10th of the month. Dues **must** be paid via automatic credit card payment or electronic debit from a checking/ savings account. CC processing fees are \$0.30 plus 2.95% per transaction and ACH fees are \$1.25 per transaction with Sports Engine.

Kroc Center:

All CAST swimmers must also be members in good standing and current members of the Kroc Center to swim with CAST. The Kroc Center offers 50% off Registrations and a Gold CAST Membership discount of 20% off a monthly membership. *see coach for CAST Kroc Discount*

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High School Swim Team:

Registered and committed CAST swimmers who also compete for a high school swim team (September-November) will be **billed at a reduced rate** during the 3-month HS season, and then return to the regular group rate after the HS season. This is to allow CAST high school swimmers the opportunity to train with CAST as well as their high school swim team when able.

CAST Team Suit and Equipment Requirements:

| Bronze | Silver/Gold | Turquoise/Emerald/Champs/Elite/ Pre-Nat |
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| Mesh Equipment Bag | Mesh Equipment Bag | Mesh Equipment Bag |
| Arena Kickboard | Arena Kickboard | Arena Kickboard |
| Long Floating Fins (Finis or Sporti Brand) | Long floating fins OR Arena Power Pro Fins (shorter fins) | Arena Power Pro Fins |
| Waterbottle | Arena pull buoy | Arena pull buoy |
| | Arena Hand Paddles (XS, S, M, L: ask coach for sizing) | Arena Hand Paddles (XS, S, M, L: ask coach for sizing) |
| | Waterbottle | Arena Snorkel |
| | | Waterbottle |

All CAST swimmers will be required to wear a **black Arena team suit with a CAST swim cap** for competitions/meets. Swimmers may choose any competitive swimsuit for practices including: briefs, square leg, or jammers for males and one-piece suits for females.

All CAST gear and suit requirements are available in our team store from Swim Outlet. CAST receives a commission for all purchases which helps to provide our coach uniforms, special apparel for swimmer prizes, and more: https://www.swimoutlet.com/swimcast

Swim Outlet Membership:

CAST families will receive a free 1-year SwimOutlet+ membership (a \$4.99 savings), which gives additional discounts across the site (if you already have a membership, it will be extended by one year). In order to receive the discount code for the SwimOutlet+ Membership, we need to share our team roster with SwimOutlet after Registration. Once completed, you will receive an email directly from Swim Outlet to activate or renew your free membership.

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| Meet Fees | | |
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| CAST Surcharge ** Per meet, per declared swimmer | \$15 per invitational, developmental, or champs meets | \$50 for Regionals/Sectionals and above |
| By Host team, per entered event | Varies per meet sanction | |
| IES Surcharge | \$15(SC)/\$20(LC) for invitational/developmental meets | \$25 for Champs and above |

Meet Entry Fees:

Meet fees will vary based on meet location and surcharges charged by the team, and will be indicated in the Meet Information document released by the host team, and posted on the Team Events page. In general, there is always an IES surcharge fee, a facility fee, and a heat sheet fee. There is also a fee for each individual event and relay entered.

All meet entry fees will be billed immediately after the deadline and will post on your normal monthly invoice. Please be aware that meet entry fees are non-refundable past the entry deadline as at that point CAST is obligated to make payment to the host team. Entry fees will be invoiced to your account even if your swimmer is subsequently unable to attend the meet, including

| Practice Group: | Fundraising Requirement: |
|-----------------|--------------------------|
| Bronze | \$300 |
| Turquoise | \$300 |
| Silver | \$300 |
| Gold | \$300 |
| Emerald | \$400 |
| Champs | \$400 |
| Elite | \$500 |
| Pre-National | \$500 |

illnesses or unforeseen circumstances.

Fundraising Requirements:

All swimmers on an active roster for the year will be expected to meet the minimum fundraising requirements of the team, based on their practice group at the start of the season. Multiple swimmers: For a CAST family with more than one swimmer per household, the requirement is

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not to exceed the sum of the 2 highest practice groups dollar amount. Any fundraising amount not met, however, will be billed directly to the swimmer's account on July 31. Should a swimmer choose to leave the team, the minimum fundraising requirement will be due in full regardless of the time of year the swimmer departs.

In order to keep fees as low as possible, fundraising is required by each family. Each year we have two major fundraising events: our Annual Sponsorship Drive as well as our Swim-A-Thon with USA Swimming. Various other fundraisers may be offered throughout the year with optional participation. CAST's tax ID number is 82-0485338 and as a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, all donations are tax deductible.

Service Hours:

All CAST families are obligated to volunteer 12 hours of service to the team. Any shortage of hours is billed on July 31 or upon discontinuation of membership at the rate of \$50/hour. Service hours requirements are only prorated based on join dates after September 1st of the new swim year. These hours are per family, not swimmer.

All CAST families with swimmers participating in our home meet hosted by CAST, are expected and required to fill all on-deck jobs over the course of the meet weekend. These jobs include, but are not limited to: timing, runner, clerk of course, awards preparation and welcome desk.

Penalties and Discounts:

| Туре | Cost |
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| Discontinued Membership | \$250 per swimmer ; billed upon discontinuation of membership |
| Monthly late fee | Late fee of \$15 will be applied to your account whenever a bill is not paid by the 10th of each month |
| Recoupment Fees | CC processing fees are \$0.30 plus 2.95% per transaction and ACH fees are \$1.25 per transaction with Sports Engine |
| | EARLY BIRD Registration by September 20, 2025 is \$0 per family . |
| CAST Registration Fee | Registration after September 20, 2025 is \$150 per family . <i>Non-refundable</i> |
| | 15% off monthly dues for each additional registered sibling swimmer with CAST |
| CAST Multi-Swimmer Discount | Fundraising requirement = sum of 2 highest practice groups on the family account |

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| Туре | Cost |
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| Kroc Gold CAST Membership | 50% off Kroc Registration and 20% off Gold CAST Membership |

Injury/Leave of Absence:

Should a swimmer be required to take a leave of absence from training due to an injury, the swimmer must provide documentation to their coach from a licensed medical provider detailing the nature of the injury, as well as the anticipated length of time that the swimmer will be out of the water. Once such documentation is provided, subsequent monthly dues will be reduced until such time as the swimmer is medically cleared to resume training. In order to maintain a place on the team, the swimmer will be required to pay 50% of the monthly training dues at the current training group rate, until the swimmer is medically cleared to resume training.

Early Cancellation Fees:

CAST is a yearly commitment from **Sept 1-Aug 31**. Our registered swimmer count helps CAST plan to execute the season ahead. Because of this, should a swimmer decide to leave the team at any point in the season, the family will remain responsible for this financial commitment. The CAST Cancellation form must be submitted in writing at least <u>10 days in advance</u> of the next scheduled billing cycle (first of every month) to stop automatic payment.

Charges at time of cancellation will include:

- The cancellation fee of \$250
- Any outstanding fundraising obligations
- Charges for all uncompleted service hours
- Any unpaid swim meet fees, if applicable

Exceptions can be made for military families leaving the area in service to our country and/or medical reasons with supporting documentation.

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