

TRAVEL POLICY 2025-2026

Munster Swim Club participates in many meets away from our home pool. These meets are an important part of the swimming experience. These include regular season meets at local pools in the region all the way to championship season meets all across the country. As our swimmers have achieved higher performance standards, we have been able to qualify for significantly more meets.

These away meets come with additional expenses that we do not incur at home meets, primarily travel expenses for our coaches that attend these meets. While we have budgeted for these expenses in past seasons, it has become a growing portion of our budget, and we also understand that not all swimmers are able to take advantage of attending these travel meets. Therefore, in order to keep the cost of these expenses fair and equitable, the board is implementing a travel meet fee to help offset these travel expenses. Our objective is to support travel meets with high quality coaching, while being fair to the swimmers who are not participating in these meets.

We have structured these fees based on the distance from Munster High School and the number of swimmers attending the meet. Please remember these fees are not to "collect extra income for the club" but rather a fair representation of covering the actual travel expenses associated with the meets for our coaches while also keeping the administrative burden of managing these fees as lightweight as possible.

Distance From Munster HS	# of MSC Swimmers Attending	Travel Meet Fee for attending swimmers (per swimmer, per meet)
15 miles or less	N/A	\$0
Greater than 15 miles and up to 60 miles	1-25	\$15
	26+	\$5
Over 60 miles	1-10	\$150
	11-20	\$75
	21+	\$50

This fee structure is based on past travel expenses that have been tracked based on the average per swimmer fee that the club has incurred over the past year. We will continue to manage coach travel expenses for meets very closely, and will continue to revisit this policy in upcoming seasons.