



**NEW  
ENGLAND  
SWIMMING**

# Athlete National Meet Travel Support Program

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## Purpose

In its annual budgeting process, New England Swimming allocates funds to help its athletes with the expense of participating in designated USA Swimming National Championship Meets. The National Meet Travel Support Program provides this financial support to help defray the cost of lodging and transportation for its participating athletes.

## Athlete Eligibility

The following criteria must be met for an athlete to be eligible for support:

- An athlete must have been registered in New England Swimming for at least six months prior to the meet for which support has been requested, and currently competing and training with a chartered New England Swimming swim club.
- If an applicant received, or will receive, travel support from other sources for the designated meet for which they are seeking support, such amounts must be declared on the application and New England Swimming will deduct such funding before support is finalized. If this information is not disclosed on the application, the athlete will remain ineligible for funding from this program in the future.
- An eligible athlete must qualify for and compete in an individual event at the meet for which support is being requested. No relay only or time trial swimmers are eligible.
- An athlete is eligible for support from the program through the conclusion of the long course season during which they have graduated from high school.
- No athletes participating in collegiate programs are eligible for support, except for collegiate swimmers representing a chartered New England Swimming club at Olympic Trials.

## New England Swimming Meet Participation

The following New England Swimming meet participation level must be met for an athlete to be eligible for support from this program:

- An athlete must fully participate in a total of five New England Swimming sanctioned calendar meets during the twelve (12) month period immediately preceding the meet for which they are requesting support. Full participation in the SCY or LCM New England Senior meets will count as two meets towards the five calendar meet count.
- “Full participation” cited above means participation in all or at least two days of competition and at least one individual event at each day of the meet. In the case of a one-day meet, full participation means at least two individual events. This restriction does not apply to a one-day distance meet.

## Designated Competitions (September 1, 2023 – August 31, 2024)

The designated competitions and support levels were voted by the Board of New England Swimming at its meeting on October 10, 2023. As a reminder, to be considered for support for a designated competition, eligible athletes must compete in one or more individual events. Time trial events, relays or “relay only” athletes are not eligible.

### SHORT COURSE SEASON

(September 1, 2023 – March 31, 2024)

MEET	DATES	LOCATION	MAX
2023 Toyota U.S. Open	November 29 – December 2, 2023 (4 racing days)	Greensboro, NC	\$700
2023 SCY Speedo Winter Junior Championships (East)	December 6 – December 9, 2023 (4 racing days)	Columbus, OH	\$600

### LONG COURSE SEASON

(April 1, 2024 – August 31, 2024)

MEET	DATES	LOCATION	MAX
2024 Open Water Nationals	May 3 – May 5, 2024 (3 racing days)	Sarasota, FL	\$500
2024 U.S. Olympic Team Trials	June 15 – 23, 2024 (8 racing days)	Indianapolis, IN	\$1,500
2024 Speedo Summer Championships	July 23 – July 27, 2024 (5 racing days)	Irvine, CA	\$875
2024 Futures Championships	July 25 – July 28, 2024 (4 racing days)	Richmond, VA	\$150

### U. S. PARALYMPIC MEETS (2023 – 2024)\*

MEET	DATES	LOCATION	MAX
*Qualifying meet list is TBD.			

## Application Process

- All designated competitions must have an application submitted within 30 days from the last day of competition with all receipts and required documents attached. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.
- Support levels listed above are the maximum amount a swimmer is eligible to receive for that designated competition. Expense receipts submitted (for lodging and transportation costs only) must equal or exceed the amount of requested support for a designated competition.
- The SWIMS database will be used for proof of competition in the meet being applied for, as well as proof of New England Swimming calendar meet participation.
- If a club is submitting for a meet on behalf of their athletes, one application must be submitted with the name of every athlete seeking support for that designated competition. The check will then be made payable to the club.
- Please contact the New England Swimming Treasurer, Carol Healey ([newenglandswim@gmail.com](mailto:newenglandswim@gmail.com)), with any questions.