



**NEW
ENGLAND
SWIMMING**

Hello New England Swimming Community:

New England has been extremely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. We hope that you and your teams are surviving through this until conditions improve. Covering four different state protocols has been very challenging for us in determining end of season opportunities.

It is very clear that the chances are slim to none for our usual pools being available, so we are going ahead with a plan outlined below.

We will follow the Eastern Zone and will create a Leader Board of times that are achieved during **SANCTIONED** meets [between February 13th and March 28th, 2021](#).

The Leader Board will be created using the SWIMS database and will be posted weekly on the website.

Using USA Motivational Times swimmers who qualify from September 1, 2019 until **February 13th 2021**, will have their results pulled from any sanctioned meets and onto the Leader Board. We will use the standard Age Group brackets for times and the entry/results will be categorized as:

2021-2024 USA SWIMMING MOTIVATIONAL TIMES:

[GOLD: AA times](#)

[SILVER: BB times](#)

[BRONZE: All other times](#)

In order for all swimmers to be able to compete, NE will help teams pair up with other teams who have the ability to host. Many teams may have to conduct the meet(s) as Intra-Squad. As long as the meet is SANCTIONED, it will go into SWIMS and will count towards this end of season recognition. Awards of some nature will be sent to the swimmers at the end of the competition period.

With VT and RI still in limbo, we will work with those states once they are open to give their swimmers equal opportunity.

[The current meet calendar has some opportunities for meets that are open and it is highly recommended you contact the meet host to get entered.](#)

ANYONE who wants to run an Intra-Squad or Dual Meet should email Carol at newenglandswim@gmail.com to get started.

Sincerely,

[Chris Sheppard](#), Vice Chair of Development & Performance

[Brian Crawford](#), Admin Vice Chair and Calendar Chair