

SAFE SPORT CHAIR REPORT

Maine Swimming, Inc.

HOD 2021

UPDATES

- Seven MESI Teams are currently Safe Sport Recognized: DEFY, LRSC, PBAY, PPSC, SEALS, SMAC, & WCCU. Two other teams have enough points but have not met all the requirements.
- Maine Swimming is one of 29 LSCs that have at least 25% of their teams SSRP qualified, earning \$1,500 for the LSC. If Maine Swimming reaches 50%, we will receive an additional \$2,000.
Local Swimming Committees (LSCs) with the following percentages of member clubs achieving Safe Sport Club Recognition within the stated timeframes will receive the financial incentive and Match-Up Promotions coupon codes detailed below:
 - 25% of member clubs in the geographic territory achieve Recognition by May 1, 2021: \$1,500 and \$200 Match-Up coupon code.
 - 50% of member clubs in the geographic territory achieve Recognition by June 15, 2021: \$2,000 and \$300 Match-Up coupon code.
 - 75% of member clubs in the geographic territory achieve Recognition by July 1, 2021: \$2,500 and \$400 Match-Up coupon code.
 - 100% of member clubs in the geographic territory achieve Recognition by September 1, 2021: \$3,000 and \$500 Match-Up coupon code.
- Two of the biggest obstacles some of our clubs have run into in their attempt to complete the SSRP are meeting the website requirements, and the athlete/parent trainings.
 - Website: If a team does not have its own website, but have a dedicated page on an organization's website (YMCA, Community Center, Town...), they may post the relevant information on that page to comply.
 - Trainings: USA Swimming is continuing to offer online training for parents and athletes. All trainings will require individuals to register ahead of time. Safe Sport trainings are held monthly.
- The Safe Sport Committee held their first meeting on January 13. We talked about how we might be able to engage the membership, particularly the athletes, in helping spread Safe Sport information through the use of social media, and team events. We discussed how we could encourage Safe Sport messages to be included in events, like the Athlete Instagram Takeovers, as opposed to strictly Safe Sport events.

REMINDERS

- All clubs are required to have the following:
 - A Club Safe Sport Representative. It is recommended that this person is not the Head Coach.
 - An action plan to address bullying.
 - An electronic communication policy.
 - A team travel policy.

Templates from all of these policies are available on the Maine Swimming website under the “Safe Sport” tab.

Respectfully submitted,

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