

2026 Montana Swimming Registration Fees

Effective 9-1-2025

Fees include both the USA Swimming and Montana Swimming fees.

Premium Year-Round Athlete	\$106.00 (MT Swim fee is \$36.)
Outreach Athlete	\$ 5.00 (Year-round membership – low income and disability members only. Must meet criteria set by Montana Swimming – see below. MT Swim fee is \$0.)
Flex Athlete (12 & under only)	\$ 30.00 (Can't compete at MT Swim Championship meets or above. \$20 to USA-S and \$10 to MT Swim. May only compete in 2 sanctioned meet per year unless purchase a premium membership.)
Individual Seasonal Athlete	\$ 69.00 (Good for 150 days only from the date registered. Can't compete at zones and above. Individuals are only allowed one seasonal membership per same membership year. Must upgrade to premium membership once expired to continue to swim and compete. MT Swim fee is \$29.)
Non-athlete Coach	\$ 84.00 (MT Swim fee is \$14.)
Provisional Coach (new coach)	\$ 84.00 (MT Swim fee is \$14.)
Junior Coach (Ages 16-17 only)	\$ 84.00 (MT Swim fee is \$14.)
Non-athlete Official	\$ 84.00 (MT Swim fee is \$14.)
Non-athlete Apprentice Official	\$0. (Good for 60 days from date joined. Allows you to train on deck before joining as a non-athlete official member)
Junior Official (Ages 16-17 only)	\$ 84.00. (MT Swim fee is \$14.)
Non-athlete Administrator (club)	\$ 30.00 (Membership for club board members and everyone else who isn't a coach, official or other – NOT for admin officials who must join as an official. NO MT Swim fee.)
Non-athlete Other	\$ 84.00 (Non-athlete members including chaperones, meet directors, safe sport club contact, LSC admins. MT Swim fee is \$14.)
Transfer to a new club	\$0

NOTE: If you have multiple non-athlete memberships – such as coach, official, and other, you pay the \$84 fee once – not for each membership type.

Club Registration:

Club	\$305 -- (\$225 to USA Swim, \$80 to MT Swim.) Includes year round clubs, seasonal clubs, and organizations.
New Club Registration Fee:	\$750 to USA Swimming.

Outreach Membership Criteria

Outreach memberships are offered to qualifying low income and/or disability athletes in Montana Swimming. A year-round outreach membership in Montana Swimming is \$5.00. The outreach membership must be applied for annually. The qualifying documents should be shown to the member's club registrar for verification (or in the case of unattached athletes to the Montana Swimming DDEI chair who will verify it to Montana Swimming registrar). Clubs and Montana Swimming may not retain the documents.

For low income families to qualify for outreach membership you must show one of the following documents or letters to the club registrar or Montana Swimming DDEI chair: Federal free or reduced hot lunch program, 1040 tax form, Food Stamps (SNAP) program, Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), TANF, WIC, low income housing (Section 8, housing choice vouchers), low income energy assistance (LIEAP), Supplemental Social Security Income (SSI), private/parochial school based financial needs program, foster children, participation in Head Start, Medicaid, Medicare, Healthy Montana Kids Plus, Healthy Montana Kids, homeless, runaway, migrant, refugee, is a member of the club on a reduced or free scholarship, or their income is within the Federal Poverty Guidelines. Cases not falling under these circumstances may be appealed to the General Chair. Hardship exceptions may also be considered.

Outreach membership registration is also available to athletes who have a disability as recognized under the USA Swimming rules, Article 105. Any athlete with a disability applying for outreach membership must also be registered as a disability athlete. Families must show the club registrar (or in the case of an unattached athlete, the Montana Swimming DDEI Chair who will verify it to the Montana Swimming registrar) information verifying that the athlete is disabled as recognized under the USA Swimming rules Article 105. Medical paperwork does not have to be submitted. Clubs and the LSC may not keep any paperwork provided.

Disability is defined as a permanent physical or cognitive disability that substantially limits one or more major life activities.

Disability athlete registration categories include:

- Legally blind or visually impaired,
- Deaf or hard of hearing (MT only),
- Physical disabilities (such as amputation, dwarfism, cerebral palsy, spinal injury, mobility impairment, limb deficiency, wheelchair bound with high functioning upper body, non-ambulatory (wheelchair bound), limited use of all four extremities), and
- Intellectual/Cognitive disability (such as severe learning disorders, Down Syndrome, autism spectrum disorder).

Disability athletes may register to compete as:

- P1 athletes -- Non-ambulatory (wheelchair-bound), limited use of all four extremities.
- P2 athletes -- Ambulatory with assistance: includes dwarfism, multiple limb deficiency, wheelchair-bound with high functioning upper body.
- P3 athletes – Ambulatory without significant assistance: includes single-limb deficiencies, blind/vision impaired; deaf/hearing impaired (MT only); intellectual, cognitive, and developmental impairments (including autism spectrum disorder and Down Syndrome); and other.