



## 2020-2021 TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR PARTICIPATION WITH THE WEBSTER SWIM ASSOCIATION (WSA) BLUEFINS

### Membership Dues

Membership dues are based on a swimmer's Practice Group for the time period September 1<sup>st</sup> — August 31<sup>st</sup>

Bronze = \$690

Silver = \$955

Gold = \$1145

College = \$300

The practice group determines all membership fees at the time of registration. Practice schedules are based on a swimmer's roster group. Changes in schedules are posted in advance based on pool availability. Prorated membership fees may be offered to swimmers joining the BlueFins program after January 1st.

### Refund Policy

The WSA BlueFins Swim Club exercises a firm no refund policy concerning annual swimming dues and registration fees for registered swimmers who request a refund. Our financial commitments involve annual contracts based on swimmer registrations. The Club is obligated to fulfill these contracts regardless of the number of swimmers in the water at any time. We understand some of our swimmers may experience, at some time during the season, illness, injury, over-commitment, decreased interest, or issues that may take them out of the water. While we regret these problems, no refund of fees will be made for swimmers who are out of the water.

### USA Swimming Registration Fee

All swimmers at all levels are registered with USA Swimming for insurance purposes. A fee of \$84 per swimmer will be added to the invoice during online registration to cover USA Swimming and Niagara LSC fees.

### Member Participation Agreement (MPA)

In order to keep the WSA a financially viable organization, there are certain activities in which all members are required to participate. The specific terms of that obligation are outlined in the 2020-21 WSA BlueFins Member Participation Agreement.

### Multi-Athlete Discount

Families registering 2 or more swimmers will receive a discount of \$40 per swimmer after the first swimmer, which will be applied to the invoice during online registration until May 31. No multi-athlete discount will be given after this date. College Swimmers and swimmers registering for JV/Varsity high school prep programs that may be offered are not eligible for the multi-athlete discount.

### Payment Methods

#### Payment in FULL

- One payment of all fees at the time of registration.
- Required for registrations on or after Jan 1.
- USA Registration fees are billed at time of registration.

#### Two Installment Plan

- 50% due at registration, 50% billed on Jan. 1
- USA Registration fees are billed at time of registration.
- Includes \$15 per installment convenience fee.
- Not available for college swimmers or JV/Varsity prep programs that may be offered.

The WSA BlueFins processes all payments electronically. During registration, families will be asked to provide electronic payment information that will be saved for monthly billing. Any balance from the prior year will be added to the family's invoice at the time of registration. Credit balances will carry forward to regular monthly invoice. Volunteer credits may only be used for membership dues.

Accounts are automatically billed on the first of every month for any outstanding charges (membership/meet fees) incurred. If payment by credit card is an issue, please discuss with the BlueFins president to find a workable solution.

### Late Payment

If payment is not received on the first calendar day electronically, it is the family's responsibility to pay the outstanding balance by the 15th of the month to avoid a \$20 late fee. Credit card expiration dates must be updated in the system by each family when due. A notice will be sent through the system in the month prior to expiration. Participation may be limited for failure to comply.

### Meet Entry Fees

When entered in a meet, there is a meet deck fee and a fee for each individual event in which a swimmer participates, including relays. Fees vary per meet and are posted on the website with the meet information. A \$10 per meet surcharge will be added for participating swimmers. Meet entry fees are posted to the family's account, invoiced monthly, and paid electronically via credit card or bank draft.