



NEW MEXICO SWIMMING

Assistant Coach Application

2024 Western Zone Age-Group Championships

Boise, ID
August 7-10, 2024

Applicants for NMS AG Zone Team Assistant Coach position must be a NMS coach in good standing with New Mexico Swimming and USA Swimming. Assistant Coach must be at least 25-years-old and possess a valid driver's license to be able to drive a vehicle for team transportation.

AGE GROUP ZONES

Each LSC belongs to a Zone. There are 4 Zones: Eastern, Central, Southern, and Western. At Zones swim meets, swimmers get to represent their LSC and compete against teams from other LSCs that belong to the same zone. LSC teams can be comprised of up to 48 men and 48 women. The selection process for swimmers varies by LSC and is meant to encourage a higher level of competition for Age Group swimmers. Normally, most Age Group Zone Meets are 14 and Under – some include 10 and Unders, and some don't. The selection process for zones varies by LSC. Some LSCs use time cuts; others use a combination of power points and time standards.

TEAM SIZE

The NMSI Zone Team will be comprised of all those NMSI swimmers who have achieved one or more Western Zone individual qualifying times. The team size cannot exceed that allowed by the Western Zone. NMSI will budget for 60 swimmers for the Age Group Zone Team.

SELECTION CRITERIA

- Coaching applicants must be in good standing with USA Swimming and an active member of New Mexico Swimming
- Coaching applicants should possess outstanding qualities of organizational ability and be able to motivate swimmers as well as help with race tactics when needed.
- Coaching applicants will be evaluated based upon the following criteria:
 - o Years of club coaching experience
 - o NMS Coaching experience
 - o Camp coaching experience
 - o ASCA certification and education
- The Assistant Coach position will be evaluated based upon the above, as well as their previously demonstrated abilities to lead and administrate effectively.

SELECTION PROCESS

- The NMS AG Zone Team Assistant Coach is selected by committee, consisting of the Age Group Chair and/or co-Chair, AG Zone Head Coach, committee members and swimmers.
- No more than one coach may be selected from any one team, unless no other coach wishes to make the trip.
- Selected coaches must travel with the team if team travel is involved.
- The NMS Zone Team Assistant Coach will be selected and announced by May 20, 2024.

STIPEND

Assistant Coach: \$700

This is an opportunity to add valuable experience to your coaching resume. ALL staff will be “on duty” for the entire trip and expected to be professional in your attire and behavior with everyone.

NMS head coaches will select the AG Zones Assistant Coach by May 30, 2024. The applicant who is selected will be asked to commit to the trip at that time. The Age Group Zones team will leave Albuquerque on Tuesday, August 6, 2024 and return on Sunday, August 11, 2024. Competition dates are August 7-10, 2024.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: May 15, 2024

Please send to agegroupchair@nmswimming.org

- Name of Applicant: _____
- Birth Date: _____
- Email: _____
- Phone/Text: _____
- Club Team: _____
- Driver's License # _____
- Ages of swimmers you are primarily responsible for coaching: _____
- Number of years coaching: _____
- Name of your Supervisor: _____
- Supervisor's email: _____
- Highest Level of Competition you attended as a Coach with athletes in the meet: _____

- Experience as coach/chaperone/manager of an All-Star team or Zone Team: _____

- Why do you want to be the Assistant Coach of the 2024 AG Zone Team?

- How do you plan to motivate the swimmers while at and in preparation for AG Zones?

- Which age group would you like to work with as Assistant Coach? (10&Under, 11-12 or 13-14)
