

SIERRA NEVADA SWIMMING
SENIOR TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM
2023 Rules

REGULATIONS:

1. Only swimmers that train with a registered SNS team are eligible for inclusion in the Senior Travel Reimbursement Program.
2. Swimmers may compete either attached or unattached.
3. The time standards will be adjusted each year between the spring and the summer for the new time standards.
4. For an athlete to be eligible, they must hold continuous SNS registration for the following periods of time in order to receive the stated reimbursement percentage:
 - a. Swimmers who have represented SNS for 6 months will be eligible for 100 percent reimbursement
 - b. Swimmers must attend at least two swim meets representing the club during the period of (Sept 1 – April 14 for spring reimbursement) and (April 14 – Aug 31 for summer reimbursement)
 - c. Athletes must attend one of the following meets and represent a SNS team in at least two USA sanctioned meets to receive spring reimbursement. Spring travel reimbursements are limited to these meets: Sectional Champs, US Open, USA Nationals, and USA Winter JR Championships.
 - d. Athletes must attend one of the following meets and represent a SNS team in at least two USA sanctioned meets to receive summer reimbursement. Summer travel reimbursements are limited to these meets: Sectional Champs, Futures, US Open, USA Nationals, and USA JR Championships.
5. Spring Standards are based on the following:
 - a. Spring Gold – US Open “A” Standards
 - b. Spring Silver – USA JR Winter Championships “A” Standards
 - c. Spring Bronze – USA JR Winter Championships “Bonus” Standards
6. Summer Standards are based on the following:
 - a. Summer Gold – US Nationals
 - b. Summer Silver – USA JR Summer Standards
 - c. Summer Bronze – USA JR Summer “Bonus” Standards
7. Travel reimbursements will be processed within 2 weeks after published received by date to cover the previous season. Once your application is received, you will receive receipt confirmation from the SNS Executive Director.
8. An athlete is eligible for only one level of achievement per program period. One level for Spring and again once for Summer.
9. Paralympic athletes competing at the National level may qualify at the Silver standard. Paralympic athletes competing at the International level may qualify at the Gold standard. (Revised 1/2014)

FUND DISBURSEMENT:

1. An athlete that achieves a “Gold” standard is eligible for up to \$900 in reimbursement.
2. An athlete that achieves a “Silver” standard is eligible for up to \$600 in reimbursement.
3. An athlete that achieves a “Bronze” standard is eligible for up to \$300 in reimbursement.

ADDITIONAL RULES:

1. Checks will not be made out to teams or coaches.
2. New in 2023. Same form for both Program Periods (Spring and Summer). However, you can only use meets from one Program Period (Spring or Summer) to get reimbursed the maximum for that period. For example, you may not check off Spring Sectionals and Summer Sectionals and submit both for Summer program reimbursement.
3. You may use more than one meet in a Program Period to qualify for the full amount. To do so, add dates for both meets on one Program Period line. If one meet equals total qualified for then you only need to submit one.
4. Receipts sent digitally can only be .jpeg or .pdf formats. (No iPhone .HEIC files.)
5. Forms must be filled out completely, including USA Swimming ID, contact email, and a signature, to be accepted. Incomplete forms will be rejected.
6. The deadline is 11:59 PM PST on “received by” date, not postmark. Late submissions are subject to SNS Board approval.
7. Checks not deposited or cashed within 60 days will be considered forfeited and a stop payment issued. One warning will be issued by the SNS Executive Director to the submitted contact email at 30 days for any outstanding checks at that time. At 60 days the check will receive a stop payment.

TEAM TRAVEL ATHLETE:

1. If attendance at a qualifying meet was through team travel, please check with your team or coach to verify they are submitting Team Travel receipts on behalf of the team.
2. Check the box on reimbursement form that asks if your receipts are part of a team travel submission.
3. TeamUnify billing screenshots are also valid receipts if statement has meet name and team travel info. Meet Entry Fees are not reimbursable.

TEAM TRAVEL TEAM SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

1. List of athletes that traveled with team
2. Breakdown of cost per athlete for hotel; transportation; meals
3. Receipts for hotel; transportation; meals included in the team billing
4. Meet Entry Fees are not reimbursable.