



# SAFE SPORT NEWSLETTER



## USA Swimming Safe Sport Releases Updated MAAPP Requirements

USA Swimming Safe Sport released its updated Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy (MAAPP) requirements for all USA Swimming members, member clubs, Local Swimming Committees (LSCs) and Zones. The deadline to fully implement this policy is **September 1, 2021**.

To help all of our members implement this updated policy, USA Swimming Safe Sport has a number of resources available. This includes an editable MAAPP 2.0 document, educational documents to help guide USA Swimming member clubs and hour-long, interactive webinars with time for participants to ask questions.

### **MAAPP 2.0 Informational Webinars**

*Description:* Join USA Swimming Safe Sport in an hour-long informational webinar to discuss MAAPP 2.0. All webinars will be structured similarly. They will be recorded and posted on the website for future listening, along with the PowerPoint slides and minute breakdown of what the webinar covered.

*Target Audience:* All USA Swimming members, member clubs, LSCs and Zones.

Wednesday, July 14, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. EDT ([Register](#))

Monday, August 9, 2021 at 8:00 p.m. EDT ([Register](#))

Thursday, August 26, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. EDT ([Register](#))

Learn more by visiting the link below.

[MAAPP](#)



### **Congrats to These Seven LSCs!**

Seven LSCs went above and beyond to achieve the second milestone in the USA Swimming Safe Sport Club Recognition LSC incentive. They will receive \$2,000 and a \$300 Match-Up Promotions coupon code.

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### **Safe Sport Club Recognition Incentives**

The third milestone in the USA Swimming Safe Sport Club Recognition LSC incentives is right around the corner.

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\*:

- **75% of member clubs in the geographic territory achieve Recognition by July 15, 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.

Wondering how to get started? View the Safe Sport Club Recognition FAQs [here](#), then follow [these](#) easy steps to add an additional user to your club portal.

To read more about these incentives, click the link below.

*\*Seasonal USA Swimming Registered Clubs are not required to become Safe Sport Recognized for LSCs to achieve the total percentages and receive the incentives. However, if LSC's have seasonal clubs that are Safe Sport Recognized, those clubs will count towards the required percentage.*

[INCENTIVES](#)



### SSRP Club Spotlight

**"Athlete safety has to be the top priority with any activity involving children,"** coach Dave Anderson said.

Learn more about the Schroeder YMCA swim team in Milwaukee, Wisc. below.

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### USA Swimming Safe Sport Club Features

Special shoutout to the below USA Swimming member clubs! We love to see how you are implementing Safe Sport into every day culture.

Email [ssrp@usaswimming.org](mailto:ssrp@usaswimming.org) with how your club is implementing Safe Sport practices and materials.





## Penguin Swimming

"Thanks for making the head opening for those be over 6 ft. tall," Penguin Swimming said.



## Hawaii Swimming Club

Need help figuring out how to break down your USA Swimming Safe Sport branded pop-up changing tent? Watch [Coach Reid Yamamoto's video](#) for an easy tutorial!

## Metrowest YMCA Stingrays

Haruru Lee, Metrowest YMCA Stingray's Safe Sport Coordinator, took Safe Sport to another level with New England Swimming Safe Sport's help. The LSC generously provided prizes for the table and Haruru was able to set up a table full of games and prizes for the athletes.

## 2021 SSRP Trainings

Safe Sport is committed to creating a healthy environment that is free from abuse for all members. As we continue with virtual learning opportunities throughout 2021, we will be increasing security measures to keep parents, athletes and coaches safe during trainings. Starting in January, **all trainings will require individuals to register ahead of time.**

In addition, we have enhanced our Safe Sport Trainings' security measures and will have the following in place:

- Meetings will be locked
- Athlete attendees will only have access to chat with hosts
- Multiple USA Swimming Safe Sport staff will be on all trainings and will monitor participant video share
- Frequent check-ins with attendees
- Screen share and annotation capabilities will be disabled
- Meetings will require registration and athlete training registrations will be cross-checked with USA Swimming member records
- USA Swimming has enabled the At-Risk Meeting Notifier tool from Zoom. This tool searches the public internet for Zoom meeting information and checks the meeting's security settings. Zoom notifies USA Swimming if a meeting appears to be at high risk for being disrupted. This tool is enabled for all USA Swimming hosted Zoom meetings.

Safe Sport trainings are held monthly, please view trainings dates through March 2021 below:

***Parent Training:***

- Wednesday, July 14, 2021 at 8 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Wednesday, August 25, 2021 at 8 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Wednesday, September 15, 2021 at 8 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))

***Athlete Training (ages 12-18):***

- Thursday, July 15, 2021 at 8 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Thursday, August 26, 2021 at 8 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Thursday, September 16, 2021 at 8 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))

***Coach Training:***

- Friday, July 16, 2021 at 3 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Friday, August 27, 2021 at 3 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Friday, September 17, 2021 at 3 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))

If you cannot attend these trainings, athletes and parents can independently complete trainings using the USA Swimming LEARN platform. Click the link below for more info on Safe Sport trainings.

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WEBSITE**

## **Free Resources**

### ***USA Swimming Safe Sport Leadership Conference***

Watch the [webinars](#) from the 2021 USA Swimming Safe Sport Leadership Conference.

### ***Resources for You and Your Club***

Read more on the [USA Swimming Safe Sport resources](#) available to you now.

### ***Safe Sport Club Recognition Tips Sheet***

Has your club achieved Safe Sport Club Recognition? Use our [Tips Sheet](#) to help spread the word.

### ***Safe Sport Activity Books***

The Activity Books are still available! To purchase books, please visit our purchasing page [here](#). PDF versions for [5-11 year olds](#) and [12-18 year olds](#) are also available to download.

### ***Meet 360***

This [informational resource guide](#) will help assist administrators in creating a healthy and positive environment free from abuse for athletes during swim meets.

### **Team Talk Page**

Use [this page](#) to access free materials such as the [Coaching Boys Into Men](#) and [Athletes As Leaders](#) cards.

## **Friendly Reminders**

### SSRP Renewals

- Safe Sport Club Recognition status expires after two years. If you are coming up on your expiration, please start gathering your information. For more information on how to renew, visit [here](#).

### [Athlete Protection Training \(APT\)](#)

- All new and current adult USA Swimming members, including adult athletes, are responsible for ensuring compliance with USA Swimming membership requirements. APT must be renewed annually in order to maintain compliance. Adult athlete members will not be permitted to participate in USA Swimming-sanctioned competition if this requirement is not met. Please reference [this](#) document for exemptions and accommodations for APT.

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### Keep Us in the Loop

- We want to know what your LSC & teams are doing – send us a picture at [safesport@usaswimming.org](mailto:safesport@usaswimming.org) with a brief description for a chance to be featured online or in our next newsletter.

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Each Zone has a USA Swimming Zone Safe Sport Chair who assists in the training of and dissemination of information to the LSC Safe Sport Chairs/Coordinators. It is important to know who your Zone Chair is because they will help guide, support and share information with you.

The USA Swimming Safe Sport staff is proud to be working with all of our Zone Safe Sport Chairs. See below for the 2021 USA Swimming Zone Safe Sport Chairs and their email addresses.

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