# 2026 Registration Update 6/24/2025

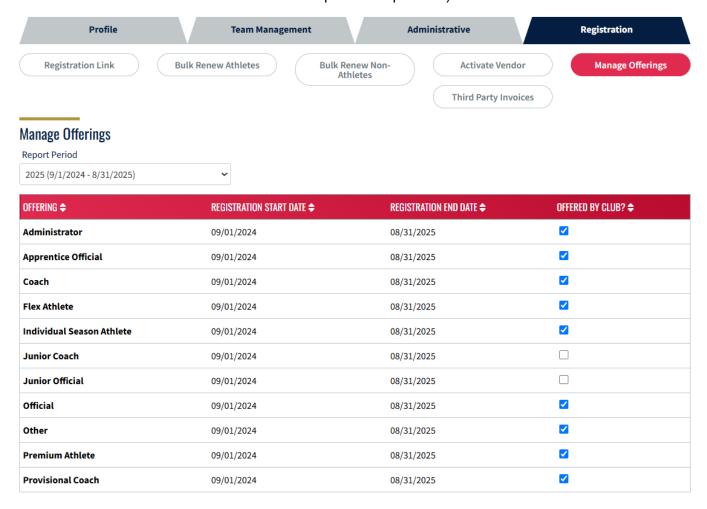
## Important Note for 2025: Turn off offerings until September 1, 2025

During this time of year we have situations where new parents accidentally register their athletes with USA-S for the current swim season when they intend to sign them up with their respective teams for 2026. Because registrations for the next season don't begin until September 1, it is imperative that new families are not able to access the USA-S registration windows until after that date.

#### What to do in SWIMS

To avoid accidental registrations for 2025 instead of 2026, we <u>strongly</u> recommend that you turn off the offerings that are currently selected for 2025. Steps for this:

- 1. Log into USA-S account and select Club My Club.
- 2. Select Registration Manage Offerings.
- 3. Select 2025 (9/1/2024 8/31/2025) as the Report Period.
- 4. Deselect appropriate offerings. (At least any offerings for athlete registrations and maybe non-athletes, too. Remember these are new and inexperienced parents.)



Any of these offerings can be turned on again as needed if anyone truly needs to register for 2025 such as for participating in practice, coaching, officiating, etc. prior to September 1.

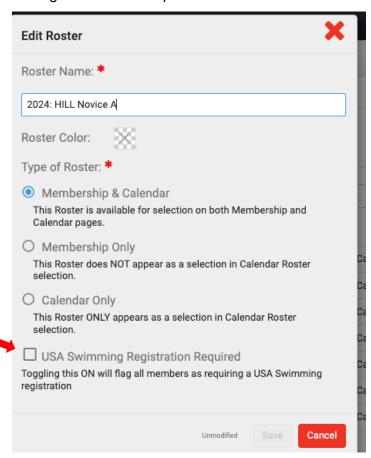
Remember – athletes not currently registered with USA-S have a 30 day tryout period during which they can attend practice. If your club starts practice prior to September 1, this provides insurance for the club and

coaches during the tryout period. However, if the athlete plans to continue with the club, they must be registered prior to practicing after that 30-day period.

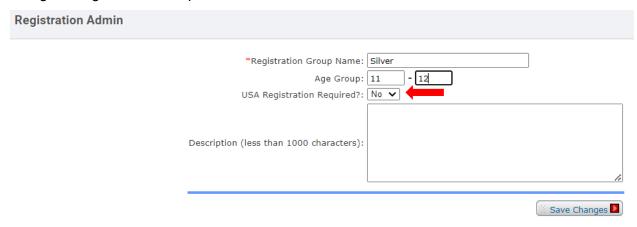
## What to do in Team Unify

**Team Unify** users should also ensure that *USA Swimming registration is required* is unchecked in each of the roster groups and is toggled to *NO* in the registration groups so that the members do not receive the prompts when registering for the team. See below:

Setting for Roster Groups:



#### Setting for Registration Group:



**Remember:** On September 1 these settings will need to be changed back to the normal settings to require USA Swimming registration.

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## Online Member Registration (OMR) - Bulk Renewal (yes or no?)

Information has been sent to all clubs about the option for "bulk renewal" for athletes and non-athletes. A club administrator will be able to select or decline that option for 2026 by following these steps:

- 1. Log into USA-S account and Select Club My Club.
- 2. Select Registration Bulk Renew Athletes.
- 3. Click the Opt In box to indicate Yes or No.
- 4. Click Save.
- 5. Repeat the process for Bulk Renew Non-Athletes.

#### **Bulk Renew Athlete Memberships**



Remember choosing Yes for "bulk renewal" for means that that the club will pay USA-S directly for the registrations. Choosing *No* means that the club wants parents/individuals to continue renewing athletes and/or non-athlete registrations independently and paying USA Swimming directly.

There will be deadline for making this selection. Whichever option you choose, you will be able to modify it up until that deadline.

If you choose the bulk renew option, your team management software may also offer the ability to renew returning athletes as well as register new athletes through that platform. A number of our teams successfully used that option in 2025 as the process was very similar to how registrations were handled prior to 9/1/2022. The team will need to be prepared to pay for the registrations when they are submitted.

# 2026 Registration Fees

Member registration fees are the same as last year, but the USA-S portion of the club fees increased significantly for 2026.

| Premium Athlete:                     | \$88  |
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| Flex Athlete:                        | \$30  |
| Flex Athlete Upgrade:                | \$58  |
| Individual Season                    | \$53  |
| Individual Season Upgrade:           | \$35  |
| Non-Athlete (Coach, Official, Other) | \$78  |
| Administrator:                       | \$38  |
| Club on or before 12/1*:             | \$255 |
| Club after 12/1*:                    | \$280 |

### More information to come:

We will pass along any and all information/instructions as we receive them. As always, feel free to reach out to us at 434-390-4456, 804-514-8083, or registrationchair@virginiaswimming.org with any questions you may have.