

PLEASE READ THIS AND ALL AGREEMENTS CAREFULLY!

Fall/Winter 2023-2024 Season Registration

Please read this page and all instructions carefully. The information provided here is catalogued for reference on the About>Join the Team tab on our Team Unify site. We look forward to having you join the Greater Des Moines YMCA Marlins and are excited for another great season!

New Members

(did not swim or register with the DSMY Marlins previously)

- All swimmers new to the DSMY Marlin **Travel Team and Travel Team Prep** training groups should have completed an evaluation and consultation session with Director of Competitive Swimming Emma Sougstad.
- All swimmers **new** to the DSMY Marlin **Practice Site** rosters (**Walnut Creek, Waukee, and Wellmark/Ankeny**) should have completed an evaluation with the practice site head coach. Returning members do not need to complete an evaluation and should register for their previous roster unless directed to change by their practice site head coach.

All Members

Registration for the Marlins swim team, regardless of start date, commits your swimmer for the **entire Fall/Winter 2023-2024** season. **The swim team is NOT a monthly program.** As a convenience to our families, installment billing is available.

	MINIMUM Season Fee (November and later starts)	September Start	October Start
Walnut Creek, Waukee, Wellmark/Ankeny	\$410 white \$485 purple \$530 blue/bronze	\$615 white \$727.50 purple \$795 blue/bronze	\$512.50 white \$606.25 purple \$662.50 blue/bronze

Travel Team Prep	\$680	\$850	\$1020
Travel Team	\$770	\$962.50	\$1155

- Installments are automatically billed to your account on the first of the month:
September start- registration payment, October, November, December, January, February
October start- registration payment, November, December, January, February
November start- registration payment, December, January, February
- We do not offer refunds, partial credits, or discounts for vacations, missed practices, or leaving before the season has ended.
- A non-refundable registration fee of \$25 will be collected during the registration process. If you have multiple athletes, please register them all at the same time to avoid paying this fee multiple times.
- **A swimmer's season goes from the start date through the swimmer's last qualified championship meet.** Swimmers qualified for championship meets beyond the YMCA Sectional and/or IASI Winter West Regional are expected to participate in those events. Training for championship meets beyond the YMCA Sectionals and/or IASI Winter West Regional will be billed to swimmers account prorated to their last qualified meet.
- Athletes competing with their **high school** team **MUST** register by September 1st to hold their spot and receive prorated billing for the season. Participants not registered by September 1 are not guaranteed a roster spot.
- All members of the DSMY Marlins must be members in good standing of the YMCA of Greater Des Moines to be a part of the swim team. Swimmers will not be allowed to swim in meets if their Team Unify account and YMCA membership are not current.
- The YMCA offers financial assistance to those in need. Please reach out to your practice site Welcome Center for details on how to receive assistance with your YMCA membership. If your family receives financial assistance with your YMCA membership, please notify the [Swim Team Admin](#) to have the benefit applied to your swim team season and tech fees.
- USA Swimming membership is **required** for all Travel Team and Travel Team Prep athletes. USA Swimming (USAS) membership is **optional** for all other roster groups. USAS membership registration is the responsibility of the athlete and will be done through the USA Swimming portal. All swimmers not currently registered with USAS will receive a separate Invitation to Register

email when their DSMY membership is approved. USA Swimming membership must be renewed yearly. Additional resources and information about USAS can be found [HERE](#).

2024 USA Swimming Membership Fees	
Premium Athlete (year-round) DSMY RECOMMENDED	\$84
Seasonal Athlete (150 days)	\$50
Flex Athlete (not valid for championship competitions)	\$30

- **Your account will remain in "pending" status until approved by a coach and the team registrar.** Once the registration is completed, you will be notified of your member status and a secure password will be forwarded to you to allow access to the DSMY Marlin Team Unify website. New members will only be accepted if there is room in their respective group. Roster spots are limited so please register early to secure your spot.
- Upon accessing the DSMY Marlin Team Unify website, please review your account information and make any updates/additions/corrections as needed.
- All families are expected to provide service hours during our hosted DSMY meets located at the Waukee and Wellmark YMCAs. If your swimmer(s) is competing in the meet, you are expected to fill a volunteer position.

When registration is open, click on the green **Continue** button below and proceed through the process. If you are not paying in full, your payment at the time of registration is the first installment of the season dues. **If you have selected the installment payment option, an automatic credit card draft will take place on the first of the month until the balance of the season dues has been collected. The swim team is NOT a monthly program.**

Roll Marlins Roll!