

USA SWIMMING INFORMATION



The Waldo County YMCA Bluefish offers a USA Swimming membership to our swimmers. USA Swimming is a national organization dedicated to swimmers of all abilities and is the national governing body for amateur competitive swimming in the United States. USA Swimming offers year-round swimming opportunities in various events and distances. The swimmer chooses which meets he/she wishes to swim, as well as what events.

There is no separate practice for USA Swimming, only Bluefish practice. The coach of USA Swimming is your YMCA coach. For More information visit: <http://www.usaswimming.org/DesktopDefault.aspx>

USA swimming is not required of WCY Bluefish swimmers, but it is a great opportunity to improve your times, try new events, and swim in some of the most beautiful pools in the state! During the YMCA season, there are at least 7 USA meets within a couple of hours drive from the mid-coast area. If a swimmer is interested in participating in USA swimming, he/she must register with USA Swimming. Registration is done at the beginning of the season only with your swim coach. Our Bluefish Swimmers will be able to compete in U.S. Meets Year round with our coach thanks to the addition of the addition of our Bluefish Summer Swim program.

USA Swimming fees are as follows:

Registration Fee:
\$37.50 (season membership)
\$60 (annual membership)

A portion of this fee goes to our local swim club, Maine Swimming. Membership benefits for each swimmer include: USA Swimming Rules and Regulations, membership certificate, and certificate of insurance. Clubs joining USA Swimming have liability insurance coverage for approved insured activities.

Event Fees: Event fees will be paid prior to each meet. The coach will inform parents of the fees due and payment must be made for those events prior to the meet. If a swimmer registers for a meet and does not attend for any reason, he/she is still responsible for those event fees.