

\*\*\*By registering with the Stingrays Swimming program, you agree to the Service and Financial responsibilities listed in this Commitment Agreement. \*\*\*

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#### 2024-2025 COMPETITIVE TEAM MEMBERSHIP FINANCIAL MATTERS

Since your child is swimming for the Stingrays, we ask that you be aware of the important and various financial commitments that come with membership. Please read the following information carefully and completely. If you have any questions, please email our Business Office at coachian@stingraysswimming.com. Team Billing: 770-325-7292 Ext 0.

All outstanding balances must be paid in full before or during registration.

Stingray billing is done through T4L Swim Team Management, Inc. All payments must be made to T4L.

#### **REGISTRATION FEE**

The annual non-refundable registration fee for NEW members is \$200, payable online through the Stingrays website. For subsequent years, a rolling registration fee for returning swimmers is \$175 each year.

For more than one athlete per family. (Age Group, Youth, Senior, Future, and National groups only) there is a \$20 discount per athlete for the yearly registration.

Additionally, USA & Georgia Swimming require that each athlete registers and pay their fees directly online. **ALL REGISTRATIONS ONCE COMPLETE AND APPROVED ARE NON-REFUNDABLE** 

## **RECURRING CHARGES**

# **TEAM Swim Fees**

The swim year runs from August 1 to July 31 each year. All Swim Fees are non-refundable.

#### **DISCOUNTS 2024-2025 for Swim Fees**

- \*\*\* <u>Multi-Swimmer Discounts</u> for families with more than one swimmer in the Age Group program or above level practice groups are applied as follows (after ordering swimmers from most expensive to least expensive):
- 2nd swimmer = 10% off
- 3rd swimmer=20% off
- 4th swimmer=30% off
- 5th swimmer and above = free

# **Family Commitment Charge**

# There will be a mandatory \$150 commitment/charge per family.

Stingrays Swimming is proud to sponsor and help promote and subsidize USA Swimming programs and fund scholarships, travel, water fees, and team equipment costs for Stingrays Swimming. Stingrays Swimming will host the Annual Swim-A-Thon fundraiser in the fall to help achieve these goals. The Online Fundraiser will be on the website in September so that everyone can start early. The Fundraiser system on our Website offers easy templates for emailing prospects and tracking your donations. Once the program is finalized and active, the coaches will communicate details on the Swim-A-Thon events and prizes on the website. (Note that 5% of the proceeds will go to USA Swimming, and the remainder will go toward scholarships, travel, and team equipment costs.) The family commitment charge is due November 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.



Although the commitment charge is **mandatory**, the Swim-A-Thon allows the swimmer's family to defray costs by raising money that would otherwise have been a direct charge to the swimmer's family. Alternatively, the funds the swimmer's family contributed **may** be **tax-deductible**, in part or whole, as a charitable contribution. Consult your tax professional as Stingrays Swimming is not a tax expert and does not purport to be such.

Should the swimmer's family elect to pay the \$150 charge, the amount can be divided into two installments of \$75 each (November 1st and December 1st). You MUST contact the Billing Department via email by October 25th if you wish for the fee to be split. Email Billing coachian@stingraysswimming.com

If you register after the S-A-T the Family Commitment charge will be assessed to your registration fee

#### **NON-RECURRING MONTHLY CHARGES**

Please review your account each month to ensure you are aware of and prepared to pay the correct amount due. Non-recurring charges such as meet, cap, or special t-shirt fees may be added to your recurring monthly dues and are due in full on the 1st of each month.

A \$20 late fee is automatically billed to any account for which the Total Outstanding Balance has not been received and posted to an account by the 15th of each month.

For each swim meet a swimmer signs up to attend, an \$8 fee to cover Stingray's administrative and club costs at each meet is charged to the swimmer's account in addition to the host team's individual event and surcharge fees. All fees are noted in the notes section when an athlete signs up for each swim meet. Because Stingrays must pay meet fees in advance, these fees will not be reversed if a swimmer fails to attend a meet for which s/he signed up to attend. When the sign-up deadline ends, the athlete is considered for the swim meet, and no refunds will be given.

# MEET Service COMMITMENT (For All Swimmers Participating in Swim Meets) Family Participation Policy (01/2016)

If your child is swimming in a Stingrays-hosted swim meet, your service is required to work each session they compete in. For instance - if your child is swimming in only one (1) session, you will only be required to work one (1) session. In a prelim/final meet, all parents of Stingrays swimmers who make finals will be asked to work during finals in addition to the above requirements.

NOTE: There is no Service Requirement for meets that we do not host.

#### **Notification**

If you do not sign up for the service hours and do not report to the service desk at the swim meet, you will be subject to a \$25 fine per session, which will be invoiced on the monthly billing statement. A record of your service time will be kept.

#### Service Sign up (Job Sign Up)

To streamline the process, volunteer sign-ups are handled via the Stingrays website, www.stingraysswiming.com. Go to the event page, click Job Sign Up, and choose a position to fill.

If your child is swimming in the meet and the Stingrays are Hosting, it will be a (fun) working weekend for you. If you need to decide on childcare to enjoy the experience more fully, please make arrangements beforehand. We only host one (1) swim meet per month at the most in general, so let us make the most of it. Positive attitudes go a long way in making our swimmers feel energized, and our guests welcome.



If you cannot sign up on the website (the list is usually locked out one or two days before the meet), you are responsible for coming to the volunteer desk at the beginning of warm-ups to sign up and fill in where the meet manager needs you.

**NOTE:** If you cannot fulfill your Service Requirement, you must contact Lori Windham at <a href="mailto:raysvolunteers@stingraysswimming.com">raysvolunteers@stingraysswimming.com</a> or Coach Pike at <a href="mailto:coachpike@stingraysswimming.com">coachpike@stingraysswimming.com</a> before the start of the swim meet.

For meet-service questions, please get in touch with Lori Windham at <a href="mailto:raysvolunteers@stingraysswimming.com">raysvolunteers@stingraysswimming.com</a> or Coach Pike <a href="mailto:coachpike@stingraysswimming.com">coachpike@stingraysswimming.com</a>

# **Family Participation Options**

You may choose different ways to fulfill your service obligation. Parents may work one (1) session or a session where their child is not swimming. There are also other jobs behind the scenes (cooking for hospitality, shopping for concessions, moving supplies/trailers, concession runs, etc.) for those looking for something "outside the box." Inquire with any of the meet managers if you are interested in any of these options, or contact Coach Pike at coachpike@stingraysswimming.com

Service credit is only given for Stingrays Hosted Meets.

You can become a GA official and earn credit for each session worked. T4L pays for all training and USA Registration.

Contact Coach Ian at coachian@stingraysswimming.com; he will help get the process going.

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