

LFSC Membership Plans and Options

	Mini Ducks	Mighty Ducks	Yellow, Green, Bronze	HS Prep	Senior, National	College
Annual Membership	No	YES	YES	No	YES	NA
Seasonal Membership	No	YES	YES	No	YES	YES
High School – Sport	No	No	No	No	YES	NA
Session Membership	YES	YES	No	YES	No	NA
Discounted Memberships	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES

Annual Membership Plan The basic LFSC Membership Plan is our Annual Membership. We offer two plans coinciding with the start/finish dates of each swimming season. The Annual Membership Plan offers a significant discount over the combined costs of two swimming seasons annually. Annual Members enjoy locked in rates for the term of membership, more liberal refund/cancellation terms, referral discounts and priority registration for all LFSC programs. Annual Membership Plans are offered for Sept 1st – Aug 31st and Apr 1st – Mar 31st dates of each year.

Seasonal Membership Plan This plan reflects the seasonal aspect of the sport with a Short Course Season (Fall/Winter) and a Long Course (Spring/Summer) plan. Seasonal Membership Plan dates are for Sept 1st – Mar 15th (Short Course) and Apr 1st – July 20th (Long Course). The finish dates of each season are determined by the scheduled dates of Championship Meets and are approximate in this description.

High School Sport Membership Plan This plan is for high school age swimmers participating in IHSA sports during the school year. It is a discounted plan that encourages swimmers to participate in sports at their high school and maintain their membership with LFSC. It is available during both the Short Course and Long Course seasons.

Session Membership Plans Participants in the Mini-Ducks, Mighty Ducks and HS Prep programs are offered special plans for short term participation periods. These plans are intended to offer flexibility and encourage participation. All swimmers in the Mini-Ducks, Mighty Ducks and HS Prep programs are considered full members of the club and receive all benefits and communications from the club. We hope that regular participation in these programs sparks a long term interest in swimming and LFSC membership.

- ❖ **Discounted Memberships** We have a very flexible pricing model that allows us to determine a fee for just about any option you can dream up! There is no barrier to joining at any time during the year; we simply determine your fee with our fee calculator. If you have question about your participation and membership fees please contact us.

LFSC Membership Policies and Payments

Membership Payment Policies

- ❖ All Membership Forms, Waivers and Fees (or the Payment Plan Agreement form) are due prior to participation in practice.
- ❖ We offer a Payment Plan Agreement (for Membership Fees totaling more than \$400). This agreement permits LFSC to charge your credit card for a portion of the Membership Fees on specific dates during the season. A small service charge is added to your account for this service.
- ❖ A Late Fee of \$25 is charged to accounts that are 30 days or more past due.
- ❖ Discounted Membership fees are given to swimmers who join the team after the first three weeks of the season.
- ❖ A pro-rated refund is offered through the first 2 weeks of the short course season and first week of the long course season. No refunds are made after those dates.

Please read the Membership and Payment Plan Agreement forms carefully for more information.

USA Swimming Registration, Meet Entries, Fees and Payments

- ❖ USA Swimming Registration is required for all swimmers participating in LFSC programs. USA Swimming membership includes limited secondary accident insurance coverage and allows entry into USA Swimming sanctioned competition.
- ❖ Swimmers who have previously registered with USA Swimming while representing another team must pay a \$10 processing fee to Illinois Swimming when changing teams.
- ❖ Each meet has an entry fee per event entered. These entry fees vary by meet host and location and usually include a per swimmer surcharge collected by the Local Swimming Committee (LSC). A typical entry fee for a 2-day/8 event meet in Illinois is \$26 per swimmer. Your signed Meet Schedule acknowledges and authorizes these charges to your account.
- ❖ Our Coaches Expenses are billed to each family on a per swimmer basis. Typical charges for local meets are \$15-20/swimmer; charges for overnight meets are typically \$20-25/swimmer. Your signed Meet Schedule acknowledges and authorizes these charges to your account.

Other Important LFSC Policies

Placement in each squad is solely determined by LFSC coaches after pre-season and post-season evaluations. New squad rosters are available on (approximately) March 15th and August 15th.

Additional policies may be included on other forms, distributed in print, or communicated on our website. Please contact our office if you have any questions about LFSC policies.