



SAFE SPORT NEWSLETTER



Child Abuse Prevention Month & Sexual Assault Awareness Month

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month and Sexual Assault Prevention Month. Click below to see what USA Swimming Safe Sport resources are available to you and your club, and check back on www.usaswimming.org for additional Safe Sport content throughout the month.

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Webinar Opportunity: Safe Sport Boundaries & Positive Culture

Tokyo Olympian **Nic Fink** joins this webinar to discuss the importance of setting boundaries and an uplifting culture. The webinar will take place Tuesday, April 12 at 7:30 p.m. ET.



DETAILS

Update on U.S. Center for Safe Sport Courses



The U.S. Center for SafeSport will be updating courses April 20. In order to keep all progress made you must complete courses by April 18. This includes APT, APT refresher and the mandatory reporting course.

All progress on courses not completed by April 18 will be lost. Courses will resume on April 21, but individuals will have to start from the beginning.

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Reach Out to Your Zone Safe Sport Chair

Reach out to your USA Swimming Zone Safe Sport Chair to check in! Take the time to establish a relationship with your Zone Chair and see if they have any recommendations for you.

Remember, each Zone Chair can assist in the training of and dissemination of information to LSC Safe Sport Chairs/Coordinators. It is important to know who your Zone Chair is as they will help guide, support and share information with you throughout the year.

See below for our current USA Swimming Zone Safe Sport Chairs and their email addresses.

Central Zone | Paul Stauder | paul.stauder@att.net

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Southern Zone | Mike O'Shaughnessy | oshaughmdc@gmail.com

Western Zone | April Walkley | iessafesport@gmail.com



Club Toolkit

Be sure to utilize the Club Toolkit page under the Safe Sport section of usaswimming.org. The toolkit includes different policies for clubs to implement, best practices, tips for hiring staff and more. Click below to view the resources within the toolkit.

CLUB TOOLKIT



SafeSport Code Update

The U.S. Center for SafeSport has released its updated SafeSport Code on April 1. Please review the code below.

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Safe Sport Committee Meeting

Take advantage of the virtual Safe Sport Committee Meeting, taking place Tuesday, April 19 at 8:00 p.m. EDT

REGISTER HERE

U.S. Center for SafeSport

Make sure you have the new number saved. It is 1-833-5US-SAFE (587-7233).

REPORT A CONCERN

Safe Sport for Parents

The *Safe Sport for Parents* page on USA Swimming's website can be a valuable asset for swim parents. Feel free to explore the page and share to your membership.

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2022 SSRP Trainings

Safe Sport is committed to creating a healthy environment that is free from abuse for all members. As we continue with virtual learning opportunities throughout 2022, we will be increasing security measures to keep parents, athletes and coaches safe during trainings. **All trainings will require individuals to register ahead of time.**

In addition, we have enhanced our Safe Sport Trainings' security measures and will have the following in place:

- Meetings will be locked
- Athlete attendees will only have access to chat with hosts
- Multiple USA Swimming Safe Sport staff will be on all trainings and will monitor participant video share
- Frequent check-ins with attendees
- Screen share and annotation capabilities will be disabled
- Meetings will require registration and athlete training registrations will be cross-checked with USA Swimming member records
- USA Swimming has enabled the At-Risk Meeting Notifier tool from Zoom. This tool searches the public internet for Zoom meeting information and checks the meeting's security settings. Zoom notifies USA Swimming if a meeting appears to be at high risk for being disrupted. This tool is enabled for all USA Swimming hosted Zoom meetings.

Safe Sport trainings are held monthly, please view upcoming training dates below:

Parent Training:

- Wednesday, May 4 at 8 p.m. ET ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Wednesday, June 8 at 8 p.m. ET ([REGISTER HERE](#))

Athlete Training (ages 12-18):

- Thursday, May 5 at 8 p.m. ET ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Thursday, June 9 at 8 p.m. ET ([REGISTER HERE](#))

Coach Training:

- Friday, May 6 at 3 p.m. ET ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Friday, June 10 at 3 p.m. ET ([REGISTER HERE](#))

If you cannot attend these trainings, athletes and parents can independently complete trainings using the USA Swimming LEARN platform. Click the link below for more info on Safe Sport trainings.

**TRAINING
WEBSITE**

Free Resources & Reminders***Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy***

Stay up-to-date on all things related to MAAPP.

Safe Sport Club Recognition Tips Sheet

Has your club achieved Safe Sport Club Recognition? Use our [Tips Sheet](#) to help spread the word.

Coaching Boys Into Men and Athletes As Leaders Cards

These free, digital cards are available for clubs on [USA Swimming's Safe Sport Team Talk](#) page.

Parent Resource Guide

Although these were sent to every USA Swimming member household, save the digital copy for future reference!

Guide to Child Physical Abuse

Whether you are a coach or volunteer, become familiar with this guide.

Safe Sport Activity Books

You can either [purchase](#) books on Match-Up or download PDF versions for [5-11 year olds](#) and [12-18 year olds](#).