

Southeastern LMSC Meet Incentive Program

This program is intended to encourage Masters Swim teams in the Southeastern Local Masters Swimming Committee (LMSC) start and grow swim meets. The following are the guidelines to receive the incentive from the Southeastern LMSC Board of Directors. Teams also need to be aware of deadlines to earn the incentives specified below.

1. Before submitting a sanction request through the online process, please send a draft of your meet information to our LMSC Sanctions Chair (SESanctions@USMS.org). This allows questions to be resolved and updates to be made before submitting online. Experience has shown this streamlines the process. Please include hotel information in the meet information.
2. The event must be sanctioned by United States Masters Swimming (USMS) via the online system (http://www.usms.org/comp/sanction/request.php?utm_campaign=top_nav&utm_medium=events_and_results) and fulfil all requirements. It is the event director's responsibility to ensure that qualified officials ([USMS Rule Book, section 103](#)) are appropriately briefed and sufficient to fairly and impartially enforce the USMS Rules of Competition ([USMS Rule Book, sections 101 & 102](#)).
3. The host club must pay any and all sanction fees imposed by USMS and the Southeastern LMSC*.
4. The meet must be advertised to all members' teams in the LMSC at least 45 days in advance of the meet. At a minimum, this should involve sending the sanctioned meet information to the Dixie Zone webmaster, Dick Brewer (rdbrewer@gmail.com), and our LMSC Registrar (SERegistrar@USMS.org). They will post on the Dixie Zone website and notify LMSC members about the meet respectively.
5. All participants must be registered USMS members and the host shall be a registered Southeastern Club in good standing.
6. The course of competition will meet all requirements as outlined in the current year USMS rulebook.
7. A minimum of at least 30 USMS swimmers should participate in the meet. At least 15 swimmers should be from outside the host team.
8. One event registrations (form, waiver, and spreadsheet) need to be sent to our LMSC Registrar (SERegistrar@USMS.org), with a check made out to the LMSC for the corresponding amount (or indicate how many paid via our LMSC Square account, <https://squareup.com/market/se-lmsc>). One event registrations must be turned in within 45 days of the completion of the event.
9. Event results and any required pool measurements must be sent to our LMSC Top Ten Recorder (SETopTen@USMS.org) in a timely manner, as outlined in the sanction application requirements. Please also let the Top Ten Recorder know if there were any one event registrations (OEVTs). This applies to both pool and open water events
10. Dual meets by master's teams are not eligible.

The Incentive rewards are as follows:

First pool meet of the year shall be: **\$500.00**.

Second pool meet of the year shall be: **\$250.00**.

Third pool meet of the year shall be: **\$125.00**

First Open Water event of the year shall be: **\$500.00** or the **total cost** of the **national sanction fee**, whichever is **greater**.

The LMSC incentive for Open Water competitions is limited to one event per year. If the event is cancelled for any reason, subvention will consist of USMS and LMSC sanction fee ONLY.

Additional incentives for pool or open water events (limit one per calendar year):

Dixie Zone Championship hosted by Southeastern LMSC team(s) shall be an additional **\$250.00**.

US Masters National Championship hosted by Southeastern LMSC team(s) shall be an additional **\$500.00**.

Co-sanctioned pool meets with USA Swimming are eligible for one half the above outlined subvention amount. At this time, co-sanctioned open water events will be eligible for the full subvention amount described above.

* USMS Sanction fees for all meets after January 1, 2016 are as follows:

All pool events: \$50.00

Open Water events: \$100 plus \$5 per participant fee up to a maximum of \$1000 total.