



Coach Membership Safety and Education Requirements

- = Required
- = Recommended
- = Must complete within 365 days
- = California Residents Only

	JUNIOR COACH MEMBERSHIP ¹	PROVISIONAL COACH MEMBERSHIP ²	COACH MEMBERSHIP	NEW CLUB HEAD COACH ³	SEASONAL CLUB HEAD COACH
SAFETY REQUIREMENTS					
CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK (BGC)		●	●	●	●
ATHLETE PROTECTION TRAINING (APT)		●	●	●	●
CPR/AED CERTIFICATION	●	●	●	●	●
SAFETY TRAINING FOR SWIM COACHES (STSC) [ONLINE]	●	●	●	●	●
SAFETY TRAINING FOR SWIM COACHES (STSC) [IN WATER]	●	●	●	●	●
CONCUSSION PROTOCOL TRAINING	●	●	●	●	●
USADA COACHES ADVANTAGE TUTORIAL (CAT)	●	●	●	●	●
RULES AND REGULATIONS EXAM	●	●	●	●	●
CHILD ABUSE NEGLECT REPORTING ACT (CANRA)		●	●	●	●
EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS					
WELCOME TO USA SWIMMING	●	●	●	●	●
QUALITY COACHING FRAMEWORK (QCF)	●	●	●	●	●
CORE CERTIFICATION		●	●	●	●
CLUB LEADERSHIP BUSINESS MANAGEMENT SCHOOL (CLBMS) [PER CLUB TYPE - ONLINE]				●	

¹ Junior Coaches can be 16 or 17 years of age and must be enrolled in high school. They must be directly supervised by a coach member who is in good standing (one-to-one supervision).

² Provisional coaches are new coach members or coaches with at least a one-year lapse in their previous coach membership. They must be directly supervised by a coach member who is in good standing (one-to-one supervision). One can only be a provisional coach for 3 years. Core is required to upgrade to full coach membership.

³ A Head Coach must have either:
 1) A minimum of four years of head swimming coach experience at a USA Swimming club; or 2) Alternatively, in calculating the required four years of experience, USA Swimming may accept head swim coach experience coaching a YMCA team, a college/university program, or other comparable institution that owns a club team. At its sole discretion, USA Swimming may require additional education based on the coach's experience; Note: High school and summer league coaching experience does not qualify as relevant experience for this section; or 3) A minimum of two consecutive years of swim coaching experience with completion of the following within USA Swimming University: ADM Certification – Age Group or Senior; Head Coach Certification (Bronze Level); Two Legacy Coaching Courses – Jon Urbanek and one of choice.