

Sanctioned by Southern Pacific Masters Association & United States Masters Swimming

Welcome to South Bay Swim Team Masters!

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Adult swimmers of all ages and skill level are welcome!

- Beginners, recreation & fitness lap swimmers, triathletes, competitive pool and ocean swimmers
- We have a fun group of people, and you'll enjoy working out with people who have similar goals
- Our coached workouts are fun, and are designed to maximize the time you spend in the water

When and Where

South Bay Swim Team Masters offers a daily swim workouts at the Hawthorne Aquatic Center – a *great* outdoor aquatics facility in the South Bay located at 12501 S. Inglewood Avenue 90250

• Workouts are Monday thru Friday evenings 6:30-7:30 PM & Sundays 12:00-1:00 PM (Oct-May)

How To Join – Paperwork and Fees

- Complete 'Swimmer Registration' form. We also have a special Covid Waiver that is a requirement of joining at this time. Forms can be completed, signed and scanned back to <u>SouthBaySwimTeam@socal.rr.com</u>
- Once entered into our online team platform, you can enter your credit card for payment. The dues are \$140 (for two months)

Note: We work on a 'two-month' dues structure for payment. Dues will be paid two months at a time (\$140 / \$70 per month x 2 months) on the odd numbered months, January, March, May, July, etc.

If you join the team 'mid-cycle' for dues, we can pro-rate the fee; talk with Kathy for specifics. Then you'll pay \$140 at the next odd numbered month.

• Membership in United States Masters Swimming is required. Click <u>https://www.usms.org/join</u> to join; this covers your insurance in the pool, and offers you the opportunity to participate in swim meets and some ocean races; in addition, after joining, you'll receive "Swimmer" magazine. The annual fee is \$70

Swimmer Equipment

Swimming does not require a lot of fussy equipment – grab your swimsuit and join us!

- Swimsuit
- Goggles

Questions?

Contact Kathy Gore at SouthBaySwimTeam@socal.rr.com or www.SouthBaySwimTeam.org



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Frequently Asked Questions

- **Q.** Masters Swimming? Sounds like retired Olympians but, can I join?
- **A.** YES! Masters swimming just describes coached group training for **adult swimmers** that's anyone 18 or older. We have swimmers of all skill levels and backgrounds on the team.
- **Q.** I can't swim on a regular basis do you have a drop in fee or other payment plan options?
- **A.** We cater to members who can regularly participate in our workouts. So, we currently do not have options for drop in swimmers.
- **Q.** What are the workouts like?
- **A.** SOBA Masters workouts are creative and motivating. Beginning with warm up, then, progress through swim sets, sometimes drills, and end with warm down. Coaches maximize your training time with the best in aerobic exercise and will help you to build your speed, strength, pace, form, and understanding of the sport. Our experienced coaches help make the most of your workout time.
- **Q.** What Are The Coaches Qualifications?
- **A.** The South Bay Swim Team professional coaching staff is certified by United States Masters Swimming, and trained in various levels of coaching and instruction. Our coaches have decades of experience as coaches and as athletes
- **Q.** How Do We Know What's Going On with the Team's Activities and Schedule?
- **A.** We have a team website that is updated regularly: www.SouthBaySwimTeam.org The 'Events' tab of the website includes a schedule for upcoming team activities. We send announcements via email.
- **Q.** How does it work to pay the semi-monthly swim team dues?
- **A.** Dues are payable on the first of each odd-numbered month. Payment is via credit card online with AutoPay
- **Q.** Where Can I Purchase Swim Equipment?
- **A.** The best local option is 'The Swim Guy' store: 15900 Inglewood Ave. Lawndale 90260. Other team logo-ed items such as t-shirts, sweatshirts, caps, are available from the team.
- **Q.** What safety measures do you have in place given the Covid-19 Pandemic?
- **A.** Several safety protocols have eased now that vaccines are available: The City still requires face covering before/after swim, social distancing encouraged, and swimmers are allowed to start at both ends of the pool to space.