



Northwest Aquatic League - New Team Application

This application must be completed and returned to president@nwal.org by October 1st of the year prior to the year you plan to begin swimming. See Additional instructions on the last page.

Team Name (Community, Club, City): _____ **Date:** _____

Team Contact (email and phone numbers required):

Name: _____ **Email:** _____

Phone(s): Home: _____ **Cell:** _____

Mailing Address: _____

I: Board of Directors – Attach a list of the Board of Directors for your team indicating title and what NWAL experience they have, (Include name, phone number, and email information)

II: Swimmer Eligibility Status – See additional instructions at the end of this document.

_____ Com-open = Community Team (members from your community and open area)

_____ Com-closed = Community Team (members limited to your community only)

_____ Club-closed = Private Club Team (private club members only)

_____ Club-open = Private Club Team (club members and swim only members from open areas)

_____ Other - Explain: _____

of homes from which your community or private club draw (current / build out): _____/_____

List Geographic Boundaries for Community Team: _____

How do families become members of the recreation facility where the pool is located?

_____ owning or renting _____ private club – pay membership fee

_____ own/rent & pay membership fee

_____ other (explain) _____

Are there swimmers presently swimming on other NWAL teams that live in the area covered by your proposed team. No _____ Yes _____ how many / which team? _____

How many swimmers do you anticipate? _____ How many are committed now? _____

III. Experience For the following positions how many parents have NWAL experience?

Officials: _____ Computer: _____ Ready Bench: _____ Other: _____

List near-by teams that you could work with (join temporarily) to gain experience before forming a new team: _____

IV. Financial Resources – List anticipated source of income of your team (dues, fundraiser, sponsors)

List Equipment purchases you anticipate for the first season:

V. Pool Facilities – Address: _____

Who owns the pool? _____ Do you have an agreement to use it? _____

If not, how do you plan to get use? _____

A member of the league will usually come out to inspect your pool. Please provide as much information as possible and the rest can be filled in by that person. Please attach Diagram of Pool Area.

Who made the measurements? _____ Phone: _____

Dimensions: Exact length (touch to touch) _____ feet _____ inches. Width _____ ft _____ in.

Pool is considered _____ meters _____ yards

Depth next to blocks _____ Depth at other end _____

Starting Blocks: Permanent _____ Removable _____ Homemade _____ or Brand _____

Top of Blocks: 20" square _____ Non-skid top _____ Slope no greater than 10 degrees _____

Flush with Pool _____ Backstroke grips .3 to .8 above surface of water _____ Lane #'s _____

Block Height: _____ (30" max: or 18" max if pool depth is less than 4 feet)

Lanes: Number: _____ Width of Lanes: _____ (> 5ft)

Lane Lines: Width of Line: _____ in center of lane _____ yes _____ no

T marking on end of the line _____ yes _____ no Distance of T from Wall _____

Top edge of pool (tile) contracting color? _____ yes _____ no

Lane Rope: Width of Rope _____ islet for rope _____ yes _____ no

Rope at water level _____ ropes change color 15 feet from wall _____

Recall rope: 36 ft from start _____ Higher than 4 feet at lowest point _____

Backstroke: Flags 15 ft from each end of pool _____ 7feet above surface of the water _____

Obstacles? Where / How avoided

Introduction

NWAL is the 2nd largest summer league swim program in the nation and has over 40 years of experience, about 100 teams and over 15,000 swimmers. Our size, experience, and willingness to train new parents make it easy to expand or league. However, teams wishing to join the league must demonstrate stability by providing enough swimmers, experienced NWAL parents, and sufficient facilities to host a meet.

If your team is deficient in one of those 3 categories, the league will ask you to work with another team for 1 or more years until you are ready. This will allow your parents to work side by side with officials and other trained volunteers until you are ready to form a stable team.

If your application is accepted by the league officers, you will be invited to the NWAL October Board meeting so that the full board can discuss the possibility of granting your team access to the league. If your team is approved a \$100 non-refundable application fee will be collected. The league may also suggest you work with another team as discussed above and then consider your application in the future.

Additional Instructions:

Please see the NWAL.org website for the NWAL By-Laws and the Rulebook. This will also give you greater insight into the league. Please also look at Eligibility in the rulebook as this is a very important area for new teams joining the league.