

Operation Guidelines & Safety Protocols for Petaluma Swim Center **in Accordance with USA Swimming Policy for** **Teams and Organizations**

Health/Wellness Checks:

- If you are not feeling well and/or suffering from COVID 19 like symptoms, you are required to stay home. We will post County Guidelines and current information by CDC.
- A health care professional will serve as a COVID 19 liaison. This will include daily communication and updates from Kim French, RN/BSN/PHN, head of Nursing at Novato Community Hospital
- Review and comply with OSHA COVID 19 return to work guidelines
- All athletes and/or family members accompanying them will be checked for fever before entering facility by staff, and a record log will be kept.
- If staff determines any person exhibits symptoms at the swim center, they will be quarantined until they can safely leave. A closure of Facility up to 14 days will go into effect, or the amount of time consistent with current health order guidelines.

Staff Guidelines:

- All employees, including Manager, lifeguards, reception, pool techs will wear mask and gloves.
- Staff will follow social distancing and occupant capacity based on the square footage of the facility grounds. This includes pool, deck, and grass area.
- The pool will be set up Short Course Yards with as many as 20 lanes available

Entering/Exiting the Swim Center:

- Entrance will be through South gate (skate park side), 6 feet apart upon arrival. This distance will be clearly marked.
- Exit will be through the North gate (classroom side).
- Hand sanitizer will be at the entry and exit points.
- The deck will be marked clearly in one-way directions to avoid two-way foot traffic (facility diagram attached)

Parent Interaction:

- One family member per athlete will be allowed on deck and will adhere to social distancing.
- All athletes and/or family members accompanying them will not be allowed entry unless they are wearing a mask. The mask may be removed once water activities begin.
- A family member may bring in their own chair. Facility lounge chairs and deck chairs will not be available for use.

Locker Room/Restroom Use:

- No locker room use while at facility.

- Restrooms may be used by request, one person at a time and will be sanitized after use.
 - All patrons will be encouraged to use the restroom at home before/after their swim.
 - Restrooms will remain locked, and patrons must request a staff member unlock and let them in.
 - One stall will be marked for patron use, and sanitized after each use.
 - One stall will be marked for employee use, and will be sanitized after each use.

Athlete Behavior:

- Social Distancing 6 feet is mandatory and will be enforced in and around pool deck area
- Athletes will need to arrive and exit in swim suits, bring their own towels and gear
 - Shared use of equipment is not permitted.
- Athletes will not be allowed to share food/drinks, towels or equipment.
- No extra-curricular activities shall take place or congregation after practice.
- Only athletes of the same household and/or siblings are allowed to share a lane.
- Athletes will be assigned lanes upon arrival. Coaches/supervisors will work with Manager and staff under the guide of USA Swimming protocol.
- Interval stops or resting points to be determined by coaches and/or supervisors using USA Swimming guidelines for configuration of pool.
- No social kicking (side by side in lanes).

Communication with Swim Teams:

- Email notifications will be sent weekly or daily as necessary to update conditions, closures, schedule changes and/or updates

Sanitation/Disinfecting:

- An hourly and daily plan will be implemented for sanitation and disinfecting of common use areas, handles, and doorknobs.
- 20-minute sanitation/disinfecting and preparation break between rental groups

Pool Chemistry:

- Pool chemistry will be checked and visibly posted every 1 hour to ensure proper chlorine levels of 3.0 PPM or above at all times

This safety guideline was constructed using USA Swimming Facility reopening and planning document (attached)