

At the April 24 USA Swimming Board of Directors meeting, the board approved the following changes regarding membership:

- The changes to the Flex membership approved in January for implementation in September 2020 for the 2021 Membership Year, will now begin in the 2022 Membership Year.

**What does this mean: Flex will remain as is for 2021; Optional for LSCs and clubs, \$10 USA Swimming Fee and up to \$10 LSC fee, limited to 2 Sanctioned meets**

- For 2020, individuals applying for calendar year membership on or after June 1, 2020 will receive membership valid through December 31, 2021.

*This action extends the 2021 membership year earlier and amends bylaw 2.4.6 regarding INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP: Each class of membership (except life membership, seasonal membership, and single-meet open water membership) is for a calendar year period. Individuals applying for calendar year membership on or after September 1 will receive membership valid through December 31 of the following year.*

**What does this mean: The 2021 registration year will start June 1, 2020. This applies ONLY for Premium, Flex, Outreach and Non-athlete (Coach, Official, Other) memberships. SWIMS will be updated with the necessary programming. Registration applications will be updated and sent to LSC registrars. Additionally, details regarding the general end of the year instructions for LSC registrars will be provided within the next few days.**

- Seasonal Membership Extension: Seasonal memberships (Season 1, Season 2, and Individual Season) that expired on or after March 16, 2020, are permitted to be extended to August 30, 2020. LSCs registering or renewing any seasonal memberships may set the athlete's expiration date to no earlier than August 30, 2020, but no later than December 31, 2020, as long as the membership does not exceed 150 days after USA Swimming lifts the national moratorium on meet sanctions

**What does this mean: LSCs that offer Seasonal membership (Season 1, Season 2, and Individual Season) will be able to extend their seasonal membership to August 30, 2020. Any members who registered as a Seasonal member that expired on or after March 16, 2020 can be extended to August 30, 2020. Seasonal expiration dates will be set based on when USA Swimming lifts the national moratorium on meet sanctions, not to exceed more than 150 days after this date.**

