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**Swim Club**

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### **Survey Q & A**

Q: My main questions are regarding logistics of using different entrances, scheduling swimmers when you can only have one per lane, etc.

A: We will have a better handle on this once we get into the building and can map out how swimmers will enter and exit safely. In the beginning we will have to have condensed workouts ie: 6-8 swimmers for 30-40 minutes, then the next group comes in. Our hope is to offer close to the same number of hours of programming which will initially be mixed with educational Zoom sessions and an increase in dryland/mind training.

Q: How are you going to maintain safety protocols

A: We will work with the facility, and ensure all coaches, swimmers and parents are aware of the return to swimming plan and what to expect once we are back at the pool.

Q: When is registration for next year and when will the new rec Center open?

A: We aren't sure yet when we will offer registration, we want to make sure we have as much information as possible before putting together the registration packages. The hope from the city is to open this fall.

Q: Regarding competitive and fitness swimmers, is there any consideration to changing up our grouping format, i.e. Muskoka with their fit for life program and competitive program, as there will be a challenge due to Covid with lane time for all swimmers.

A: We have thought of this option in the past, for now we will focus on planning for the safe return to training, adjusting to a new pool setting and will explore a recreation option later. We will need to regularly evaluate how things are going and potentially make adjustments along the way.

Q: Will fees increase if there is fewer swimmers per lane?

A: It is our hope we will not have to increase the fees

Q: We are interested in what the scheduling will look like/how many swimmers in the pool at a time.

A: This is forever changing depending on what is allowed through Public Health/ Swim Canada/ Swim Ontario-in the beginning step 1, clubs are allowed to have either one swimmer per lane OR 4 swimmers per double lane. That depends on the local health unit and the facility. This has been approved by Swim Canada, but ultimately the Health Unit and the facility have the final say. Coaches are working on the schedule, as you can imagine it is going to be a very challenging process. We will do our best to get the information out to everyone-we may offer Zoom meetings to explain what return to swim will look like.

Q: Per meets, understanding that they will initially be virtual (basic time trials), what is the plan for long course times. As we lost our long course season for 19/20 it is reasonable to wonder what would the plan be so competitive swimmers can acquire up to date I.C. times which are required to be able to eastern,

national and provincial goals. Does Swim Ontario or Swim Canada have any plan to amend I.c. time requirements?

A: Swim Ontario is planning to have a Sport Management Committee call early July and be able to follow up with a tele town call with the coaching and club membership mid July to give an overview of how programming will look like, with the intent to cover topics such as yours.