



LSC FEES AND FEE POLICY 2023/24

Leatherhead Swimming Club is a not-for-profit members club managed by volunteers. Fees are used primarily to support the development of swimmers through the provision of pool hire, teaching and coaching, support at galas and insurance.

This policy explains what fees are charged by the club and our policy on providing credits. Fees and the fee policy are subject to annual review by the LSC Committee.

Joining, Club Membership and Swim England Fees

- For new members, a one-off joining fee is payable for all squads (except Swim Academy and Masters)
- A club membership fee is payable each year, with 1/3 of the cost charged with each term's squad fee. The membership fee will be added to your Team Unify account each term.
- Every swimmer at LSC is also required to hold membership of Swim England and an annual fee covering registration and insurance will be payable at joining or in January each year. There are two categories of Swim England membership for swimmers:
 - Club Train (formerly Category 1) for swimmers who are learning to swim and who do not compete in open competition; and
 - Club Compete (formerly Category 2) for swimmers who compete in open competitions.
- The Swim England fee is fixed and charged by Swim England/Swim South East region (variable annually) and it is not possible to pro-rata this payment which will be added to your Team Unify account in January.

Joining and Membership Fees		
Joining Fee	A one-off payment for administrative purposes for all Squads (except Swim Academy and Masters)	£40.00
Swim England Membership Fees 2023	Club Train	£17.35
	Club Compete	£40.70
LSC Membership Fees	An annual payment of £90.96 payable £30.32 per term for all Squads (except Swim Academy)	£90.96

Squad fees

- Squad fees cover the costs of pool hire and teaching/coaching fees for each squad and are added to your Team Unify account on 1st of the month before each term starts (1st September, 1st January and 1st April). Sometimes training sessions are cancelled for reasons and circumstances outside of the club's control. Where possible, the head coach will endeavour to provide alternative pool time, including at other pools, or land training sessions (where appropriate).
- Standing LSC policy is that all fees, including the termly portion of the membership fee, are payable termly in advance and any swimmer entering the water at the start of term will be liable for a full term's fee.
- If fees are not paid within 14 days of the start of term a late payment fee of £35 will be charged.
- The squad fees provide access to membership of that squad and delivery of a training programme suitable for that squad and not for a contracted number of hours teaching/coaching per year.
- **The club operates a strict no refund policy.** Where there have been a significant number of cancelled sessions (15% of timetabled sessions over the course of the term) for which alternative provision has not been possible, the Committee may at its discretion offer a credit. However, the circumstances in which a credit may be available are likely to be exceptional, such as during the pandemic when it was not possible to make alternative arrangements to deliver the training programme.
- If a swimmer sustains a long-term injury or serious illness which means they are unable to swim for 6 weeks or more, they should notify their coach and the LSC Accounts and Finance Officer immediately the swimmer is unable to attend teaching/coaching sessions. Credits may be given for the squad fees. A medical certificate will be required before any credits can be applied for the time out of the water. No credit can be given retrospectively.
- For Swim Academy members only, where the option to offer alternative sessions is more limited, a credit may be added to accounts if a session is cancelled.
- No credits will be given for any other period of absence, including everyday illnesses and ailments, exams, or if a swimmer goes on holiday or has any other commitment which means they are not able to swim.
- Swimmers are not permitted to swim at other sessions (outside of their timetabled sessions) or with other squads if they miss a session, for any reason.

Leaving LSC

- Any swimmer who wishes to leave LSC must give written notice to the Membership Secretary (lscmembership1975@gmail.com) and the Accounts and Finance Officer (lscswimmingclub@gmail.com) 6 weeks before the end of term or such other date as may be specified in any request from the club for advance notification of intention to leave.
- The club reserves the right to charge one term's squad and membership fees in lieu of notice.

Additional Charges

There are some additional costs that you will need to pay as a competitive swimmer with LSC.

- All galas (swimming competitions) charge entry fees for each event you enter. LSC pay the host club at the time of entry, and your entry fees will be added to your account on TeamUnify.
- Refunds for galas will not be given if you leave the club or are unwell or have alternative plans on the day of the gala etc
- For away meets you will be responsible for your own travel and any accommodation costs, although for some team events (such as Arena League competitions) the club may provide coach transport.
- Club kit – the charges are added in arrears and are due for payment no later than the start of the next term.
- Courses, training and 'tickover' sessions – the club may offer additional training such as specialist courses or tickover sessions during holiday periods. The charges for these will be specified at the time of booking and are added to the Team Unify account in arrears.

2023-24 Fees – per term

Squad	Squad Fee	Membership Fee	Total Termly Fee	Annual Swim England Fee (2024)*
Swim Academy (30 mins)	£146.25	N/A	£146.25	£17.35
Swim Academy (60 mins)	£198.75	N/A	£198.75	£17.35
Junior Club Squad	£197.38	£30.32	£227.70	£17.35/£40.70
Club Squad	£252.26	£30.32	£282.58	£17.35/£40.70
Masters	£180.73	£30.32	£211.05	£17.35/£40.70
Transition	£180.50	£30.32	£210.82	£40.70
Development 2	£221.30	£30.32	£251.62	£40.70
Development 1	£279.07	£30.32	£309.39	£40.70
County Squads	£320.15	£30.32	£350.47	£40.70
Regional Squad	£345.81	£30.32	£376.13	£40.70
National Development Squad	£408.50	£30.32	£438.82	£40.70
National Squad	£447.81	£30.32	£478.13	£40.70

*Swim England fees are set by Swim England and payable annually in January each year so this is subject to change

For further information or if you have any questions, please contact Cathy Stansfield, LSC Accounts and Finance Officer (lscswimmingclub@gmail.com) or Clare Barras, LSC Chair (leatherheadswim.chair@gmail.com)

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