

## Safe Sport June 2020 Update

Six CSI teams have now been awarded the Safe Sport Recognized Club status with USA Swimming Safe Sport. They are: Thames Aquatic Club, WHAT, Wilton Y Wahoos, LEHY, Cheshire Y and Weston Swimming. I am working with several more coaches on the application process.

Last week in the National Safe Sport meeting they announced that they want 100% of teams to achieve Recognized Club status by the end of 2021. While they have not set an end date, in the future they will be requiring all teams that host a USA Swimming sanctioned meet to be Recognized Clubs. To that end USA Swimming will be offering \$500 to the first 1,500 clubs to achieve SS Recognized Club status. Approximately 400 USA Swimming clubs have achieved this already.

If you don't know how to get started I have outlined five steps below:

1. Read through the SSRP webpage <https://www.usaswimming.org/utility/safe-sport-recognition-program>
2. Find your club type in the 'Guidelines' section, click the link and read through the application requirements
3. Identify the missing requirements and a plan to collect evidence for all requirements
4. Obtaining the Parent training requirement is difficult, direct your athlete's parents to the weekly USA Swimming online parent training class. <https://www.usaswimming.org/docs/default-source/safe-sportdocuments/safe-sport-recognition-program/ssrp-training-resources.pdf>
5. Complete all requirements, submit them through the Club portal and work with USA Swimming Safe Sport to respond to gaps and questions

As always, let me know if you need help.

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