

Welcome Swimmer!

Different Strokes Calgary - 2019 - 2020 Season

Thank you for your interest in swimming with Different Strokes Calgary this swim season. Different Strokes is a Masters Swim Club that operates under the provincial chapter of Masters Swimming Canada. It is limited to those swimmers that are 18 years of age or older. The regular season runs from September 2019 through June 2020. There is a summer season that follows in July and August 2019.

As you know, Different Strokes Calgary (DSC) is a non-profit, volunteer run swim club inclusive of LGBT swimmers and their supporters, dedicated to the masters swim program philosophy of "fun and fitness for life" in an environment that is both positive and supportive.

Swim practices are held at the Repsol Sports Centre, which is located just south of downtown Calgary along Macleod Trail, at 2225 Macleod Trail South. Practice times are Friday from 6:00 to 7:00 pm, and Sunday from 6:00 to 7:00 pm. There are no practices on the Sunday of long weekends.

Free parking is available, and is generally plentiful, but sometimes events being held at the sports centre can make finding parking a challenge.

There are two fee structures available:

- An annual pass for **\$350** (includes Swim AB, GST). This pass covers from September through August.
- Drop-in blocks of 10 for **\$137** (includes Swim AB, GST). Swimmers using the drop in fee structure will receive emails from the membership registrar (Cinthya Caicedo) when their balance falls below \$20. **10 passes must be used within 12 months of purchase.** Subsequent passes in the same season just payments of \$100.

The Swim Alberta/Canada fee collected by Swim Alberta for \$37 includes club/swim/coach registration and insurance for our swim club.

For students in the current academic year starting September, with a valid Student ID, there is a 50% discount on the annual fee. The Swim Alberta fee remains full price, since that is set by Swim Alberta. Purchase price for student annual pass is \$193.50 (includes Swim AB, GST).

Payments:

- Cash or cheque ("Different Strokes Calgary")
- E-transfer fees@differentstrokescalgary.org

Membership forms

- Email to info@differentstrokescalgary.org

The membership registrar is Cinthya Caicedo and can be reached at info@differentstrokescalgary.org for membership inquiries.

For general information, consult our website at www.differentstrokescalgary.org.



The next page is a welcome note from Swimming Canada.



Dear Registrant/Swimmer/Parent/Guardian

Welcome to the 2019-2020 swimming season! Please take a moment to review this brief explanation of the registration process required of all swim clubs and individual registrants.

Each swim club in the province of Alberta is a member of the national governing body for swimming called Swimming Canada and the provincial governing body called Swim Alberta. In return for government sport funding, all governing organizations are required to report on membership. Non-identifying statistics are obtained directly from the data collected in the Registration system. With your assistance to provide accuracy, we can comply with our requirements and continue to benefit from strong government support, virtually all of which is directed towards the support of swimmers, coaches and clubs. All swim clubs are required to process all registrations to Swim Alberta and Swimming Canada via the online registration system

In compliance with PIPEDA and Provincial Legislation, consent to the collection and use of personal information is required. All registrants are therefore required to complete the PIPEDA Registration Consent Form giving consent to the collection and use of personal information as described in the form. The club will provide this form at registration.

Officials' Registration: Upon activation of the registration of an Official an email notification will be sent to the Official giving access to the registration account, to confirm the contained personal information, and refresh the username and password for re-entry. The email will be from systems@swimming.ca and the subject line will be titled: *Registration of Swimming Officials or Official Registration - Activated*. Contact your club's Officials Administrator for assistance.

Swimmer Registration: The final step of registering with the swim club is the confirmation of primary contact and demographic information related to your family and swimmer(s) in the registration system. When the club Registrar creates a swimmer registration invoice an auto-email is generated to the primary contact email address asking for review and confirmation of the submitted information. This email will be from registration@swimming.ca and the subject line will be titled: *Swimmer Registration Confirmation*. The link can be accessed once and you will have the option to create your own username and password for re-accessing the account. It only takes a couple of minutes to review and update your contact information and swimmer details. If you require assistance with this confirmation step, your club's Registrar is the person who can assist you.

This registration step includes answering four questions: (i) Indigenous Descent; (ii) Para-Swimming; (iii) Citizenship; (iv) Hard of Hearing. Providing this information is voluntary and will be used for statistical and informational purposes. It will not be used by your Provincial Section or Swimming Canada for any prohibited purpose as per The Canadian Human Rights Act and Provincial Human Rights legislation.

(i) The voluntary Indigenous Descent question is being asked so that Swim Alberta knows which swimmers are eligible for the North American Indigenous Games and to perhaps direct families and/or clubs toward any event or funding opportunity within the Province. In some Provincial jurisdictions, these statistics are also required as part of government funding reporting requirements. For the Aboriginal Ancestry question, you have 4 options to choose from: 1) Status/Treaty, 2) Non-Status, 3) Métis or 4) Inuit.

(ii) Answering the Para-Swimming question will help Swimming Canada, Swim Alberta, and your swim club to direct opportunities that are specifically targeted to swimmers with a disability (Para-Swimmers) (refer to: <https://www.swimming.ca> see: *RESOURCES/PARA-SWIMMING*). For the Para-swimming question, you have 3 options to choose from: 1) Physical, 2) Visual or 3) Intellectual.

(iii) Answering the voluntary Hard of Hearing question is to assist in identifying individuals who may be eligible for participation in events specifically targeted to swimmers who are deaf/hard of hearing.

(iv) If the registrant is not a Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident (Landed Immigrant) please indicate this. Canadian citizenship question is asked to identify individuals who are not eligible to set National records or represent Canada in an international competition. The default is Canadian citizen.

NOTE: It is only upon completing the online registration that you/your swimmer are considered officially registered and a member of Different Strokes Calgary and covered by the insurance policy. Similarly, this registration process must be completed before entries into a swim meet can be submitted and accepted. Registration must be completed within two weeks (14 days) of commencing participation. Your information is held by the Club, Swim Alberta and Swimming Canada in compliance with the [Swimming Canada Privacy Policy](#) and the [Swim Alberta Privacy Policy](#).

Thank you and have a great swimming season!

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Different Strokes Masters Swim Club Registration Form - 2019-2020 Season

Different Strokes Calgary Masters Swim Club collects personal information from prospective members for the purposes of administering the Club's functions. Specifically the personal information we collect from you on this form is collected, used and disclosed for the following purposes: confirming eligibility, club registration requirements, registering with Swim Alberta, swim meet registration and programming, facilitating membership communication related to club administration and upcoming events and activities, delivering requested Club products and services, processing payments to the Club, and organizing volunteers for the Club's swim meet and other activities. If you have any questions about the collection, use or disclosure of your personal information, please speak with or email the Membership Registrar at info@differentstrokescalgary.org.

First Name: _____

Surname: _____

Street Address: _____

City/Town: _____ Postal Code: _____

Email Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Date of Birth(YYYY-MM-DD): _____

FINA Membership

In order to participate with Different Strokes Calgary Masters Swim Club, each member must be registered as a masters swimmer with a FINA affiliated organization.

___ Please register me as a masters swimmer with Swim Alberta. I have paid the Swim Alberta set annual fee.

___ I am already a FINA masters member for the current season through the following organization: _____.

Club E-Mail List

The club maintains an e-mail distribution list to keep members informed of Club activities or things which may be of interest to members.

Please check your preference:

___ I would like to receive club e-mails. Please include me on the e-mail list.

___ I do not want to receive club e-mails. Please exclude me from the e-mail list.

Photographs

Anyone in attendance during Different Strokes Calgary Masters Swim Club activities and other related events may take photographs of individuals or club members at an activity or event. Before the Club uses or discloses any photographs of its members, we will tell members what will be done with the photograph and will ask for permission to use and disclose the photograph for the purpose(s) identified.

Assumption of Risk

As a registrant with Different Strokes Calgary Masters Swim Club, I acknowledge that:

1. Swimming, like other sports, involves hazards and risks that can result in personal injury to me, including death.
2. It is my responsibility to discuss any health conditions or concerns I have with a health care practitioner to determine their impact on my ability to safely participate in a masters swimming club such as Different Strokes Calgary Masters Swim Club.
3. If at any point during any Different Strokes Calgary Masters Swim Club practice or swim meet I believe the work out/activity is beyond my own abilities and that I cannot safely participate, I will inform the coach and will stop participating immediately.

I hereby agree not to sue Different Strokes Calgary Masters Swim Club, its officers, employees, volunteers or agents as a result of any injury, including death, suffered by me because of my participation in the Club.

I hereby also consent to Different Strokes Calgary Masters Swim Club using and disclosing the information collected on this registration form for the purposes outlined on the form.

Member's Signature: _____ Date: _____

For office use			
Annual Membership	Yes	No	
Initial Fee paid	\$	_____	
	Cheque	Cash	Electronic
Electronic payment to	_____		
Payment is joint with	_____		
Payment to accounting	Yes	No	



Personal Information Protection & Electronic Documents Act Swimmer Registration Consent Form



Club Name DIFFERENT STROKES CALGARY

Registrant Name _____

Please Read Carefully; complete and sign this form.

A Parent or Legal Guardian must sign for those registrants under the age of 18.

The Canadian Personal Information Protection & Electronic Documents Act (and equivalent provincial legislation) requires that consent be obtained prior to the collection and use of all personal information.

The personal information you provide to the Club from this registration will be used for the purposes reasonably associated with the swimming activities conducted by the Club, Swim Alberta and/or Swimming Canada. These purposes include national, provincial and event registration, insurance coverage, training and competition participation and competition result publication, and:

- a) Ensuring swimmers train and compete in an age appropriate environment;
- b) Establishing athlete eligibility for selection to swim teams;
- c) Establishing pertinent medical records and baseline performance data to assist coaching decisions in a national team competitive or training setting;
- d) Reporting non-identifying, demographic and participation statistics to funders, sponsors and other authorized third parties;
- e) Reporting and publishing athletes' name, gender, age, club affiliation on Swim Alberta and/or Swimming Canada web pages or in results, news releases and ranking reports and;
- f) Making direct contact with registrants, volunteers and staff as necessary for the operations of the club, Swim Alberta, and Swimming Canada.

Swimming Canada complies with the obligation and responsibility to the World Anti-Doping Agency - WADA (or its agents) to provide information upon request.

Additional personal information may be collected from time to time. Consent for the use of this personal information may be inferred where its uses are obvious and it has been voluntarily provided. When not obvious, the purposes for collection will be provided prior to, or at the time of collection; either orally or in writing.

Complete texts of the Privacy/Personal Information Policies (variously the "Policy" or the "Policies") are available for [Swimming Canada](#) and for [Swim Alberta](#).

Should a registrant wish to review their personal information held by the Club, Swim Alberta, or Swimming Canada they must make a request to the appropriate organization pursuant to that organization's Policy. Further, registrants may withdraw consent to use their personal information pursuant to the Policies. Such a withdrawal however, may require the cancellation of registration with and suspension of activities with the Club, Swim Alberta and Swimming Canada. All registrants or their legal guardian must sign a copy of this form each season.

I hereby consent to the collection and use of personal information as described above.

Signature of Registrant (age 18 or older)
or Parent/Guardian

Date

Govern, lead, and support competitive swimming.