



Dear Club member, Parent/Guardian

Despite the year we have had, we hope you are well and are looking forward to returning to the pool, training and competing as soon as we can.

It's that time of year that we look towards membership renewal. This year has been a difficult one and, considering the latest guidance and tier for our area, we have decided to put **Chorley Marlins annual membership of £30 on hold until training resumes**. The £5 retainer fee paid in January will be deducted from this fee.

The Chorley Marlins annual membership you contributed in 2020, which we are very grateful for, has enabled us to continue with developing our coaches, with online courses attended by our support team and older swimmers throughout lockdown. We have also had three of our swimming members qualify as level 1 coaches and two qualify as level 1 swim teachers ready for when our season resumes.

We have been contacted by Swim England (SE), who have confirmed the renewal fees for 2021 **are due before 14 February 2021** (the statement from SE is below for your information). SE membership is an annual fee, which includes the Club's insurance for swimmers, affiliation and support from the Northwest Region and Lanc's County to which the club is affiliated. All members of swimming clubs need to be registered with SE. Members are allocated to categories according to their age or association to the Club as follows:

Category	Description	SE Annual Fee for 2021
CAT 1	SE members who are under the age of 9	£16.20
CAT 2	SE members who are over the age of 9 years of age or <i>turn 9 years old in 2021</i>	£34.75
CAT 3	SE members who are non-swimmers, Club officials, coaches, teachers and volunteers	£12.20

Please note that if your swimmer turns 9 years old in 2021, CAT 2 fees below will be payable this year.

Please complete the renewal form for each swimmer and return by email to memberships@chorleymarlins.org.uk and make the appropriate payment before 14 February 2021.

All payments should be paid electronically to the account details below.

Sort Code: 20-69-85

A/c Number: 73040828

A/c Name: Chorley Marlins ASC

Please add the swimmers name as reference

Once we have returned to training, details for Chorley Marlins Club Membership will be sent out. If you have any queries regarding renewals please email us at memberships@chorleymarlins.org.uk or treasurer@chorleymarlins.org.uk.

Wishing you all well
Chorley Marlins Committee



Statement from Swim England explaining the reasons for 2021 membership fees

2020 has been a tough year for Swim England clubs up and down the country. We thank you and all the club's for the exceptional efforts and support in these challenging times.

As announced last month, and in recognition of the difficulties faced by clubs, Swim England membership fee for 2021 has been frozen.

We are committed to continuing to deliver strong membership and club support services to you as well as preparing for a return to all levels of competition in 2021.

The membership fees we receive from your club will help us deliver the return to competitive action we are all so desperate for, support our clubs and continue to be the loud voice fighting for the support our pools and clubs need going forward.

If you have any questions, please email the Swim England team at renewals@swimming.org

Kind regards

Swim England Membership Team