



TEAM TRAVEL/POLICIES

Meets for the upcoming year are determined at the beginning of each swim season and are posted to the team website.

For travel meets, we may offer Arranged Team Travel Meets, as well as Mandatory Team Travel Meets, which are determined at the beginning of each season.

Team Travel is offered to athletes 11 and over, however, 10 and under athletes may also participate in Team Travel with the restrictions noted below.

MEDICAL INFORMATION FORMS

All athletes participating in team travel must complete a medical form prior to attending their first team travel meet of the season. The information provided in the form will be used to help ensure the safety and well-being of the swimmers.

TEAM TRAVEL MEETS

Planning for team travel meets, including arranging chaperones, accommodation, meals and transportation will be done by the Team Manager in consultation with the Head Coach or Coach assigned to the meet.

ARRANGED TEAM TRAVEL (ATT) MEETS

- Parents have the option to register their 12 and over swimmer to attend ATT meets by a pre-determined deadline.
- Registering athletes for ATT commits them to ALL travel arrangements and associated costs (transportation, accommodations, meals and chaperone costs) for the duration of the meet.
- Once the sign up deadline has passed, no additions or non-medical withdrawals will be made unless approved by the Head Coach.
- Non-medical withdrawals after the sign-up deadline may result in the same cost to the family as if the swimmer had attended the ATT meet.

MANDATORY TEAM TRAVEL (MTT) MEETS

Certain meets throughout the season, including the senior meets requiring air travel, will be designated as mandatory team travel.

- Athletes 12 and over attending the meet must commit to MTT by a pre-determined deadline.
- Registering athletes for MTT commits them to ALL travel arrangements and associated costs (transportation, accommodations, meals and chaperone costs) for the duration of the meet.
- Once the sign up deadline has passed no additions or non-medical withdrawals will be made unless approved by the Head Coach.
- Non-medical withdrawals after the sign-up deadline may result in the same cost to the family as if the swimmer had attended the MTT meet.
- In the event that an athlete wishes to be excused from team travel, a formal exemption request must go to the Head Coach.
- **Athletes may attend one day bus meets. These meets will be mandatory for all athletes participating, regardless of age, unless otherwise noted.**

11 YEAR OLD POLICY

When team travel is offered, 11 year old athletes achieving meet qualifying standards will be given the option to:

- travel and eat with the team and stay with their parents;
- attend the meet with their parents; or
- upon approval of the head coach, participate fully in all aspects of team travel and will stay, eat and travel with the team.

10 & UNDER POLICY

When team travel is offered, athletes 10 and under will be given the option to travel and eat with the team, based on seat availability, but must stay in the hotel with their parents.

Once travel arrangements for swimmers have been finalized, any changes to the arrangements are to be made by the Team Manager ONLY, upon consultation with the head coach. **Under no circumstances are parents to modify travel arrangements.**

If you have any questions about team travel, please contact the Team Manager at:
teammanager@goldfins.ca.