## **Registering Swimmers**

## The USMS Permanent ID and its Importance

Each member of USMS is assigned a membership number. For a member whose ID number is 140B-01NT3, this number is made up of the following components:



The swimmer's permanent ID is used to track him throughout the USMS database. Meet results, for example, can be tied to a person even if she changes her name. A swimmer can register with a slightly different name from year to year, which is fine as long as she is tied to that permanent ID. One of the registrar's **most important functions** is to help ensure that a swimmer is not already in our database before adding her as a new member (and assigning a new permanent ID).

## **Registering a New Swimmer**

Let's say you receive a paper registration form from Michael J. Smith, birthdate 6/18/1972. You must first check to see whether he is already in our database.

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You can search on various fields. The more fields that are filled in, the more the search will be restricted. It's better not to restrict the search too much, unless the swimmer has a very common name. In our particular case, "Smith" is such a common last name that the entire first name of Michael will be included in the search.

Search Member	s
Swimmer ID:	
Last Name:	Smith
First Name:	Michael
Email Address:	
Phone Number:	
Birth Date:	(MM/DD/YYYY)
Forums User:	
Limit to LMSC:	
	Search Members

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Men	ber Search Results					
	Last Name, First	Club	LMSC	Reg. Year	USMS Number	Bir
1	Smith, Michael J	PNA	36	2009	369V-065MW	07/
2	Smith, Michael R	WMAC	20	2003	203P-01RFS	02/
3	Smith, Michael D	FACT	14	2013	143B-02S6T	02/
4	Smith, Michael A	BMST	55	2012	552U-07RBA	03/
- 5	Smith, Michael A	SERC	38	2008	388J-05YZH	09/
6	Smith, Michael	IMSC	26	2005	265V-0075G	07/
7	Smith, Michael J	UNAT	21	2011	2117-07AGP	06/
8	Smith, Michael	NAAC	9	2013	093Z-077BS	07/
9	Smith, Michael R	UNAT	50	2004	504J-0282G	03/
10	Smith, Michael D	RMST	10	2013	103Z-036G7	12/
11	Smith, Michael A	CTM	33	2009	3393-06DG3	04/
12	Smith, Michael A	NIAG	4	2012	042H-01X8J	01/
13	Smith, Michael P	TBAM	14	2013	1436-02U1Y	03/
14	Smith, Michael	PNA	36	2009	369P-064ZV	07/
15	Smith, Michael P	NMMS	42	2004	424B-01KNJ	08/
16	Smith Michael B	EYCM	10	2013	103T.07CET	10/

Below are the results of the search (birthdates have been hidden). There are two Michael J. Smiths, and neither is a current (2010) member. Compare their birthdates to what is on the registration form.

If neither birthdate is a match, try a search on Mike Smith. Many members register with a shortened version of their names.

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Memb	er Search Results					
	Last Name, First	Club	LMSC	Reg. Year	USMS Number	Bir
1	Smith, Mike J	AQUM	38	2012	3820-06FNJ	01/
2	Smith, Mike	UNAT	33	2005	335R-03E59	08/
3	Smith, Mike	MICH	19	2013	193W-07M7B	12/
4	Smith, Mike	NEM	2	2013	0233-066WS	10/
5	Smith, Mike J	CATM	14	2006	146K-02U5R	03/
G	Smithere Mike		26		00PMM	10/

The search on Mike Smith produced five more names, two of which have "J" as their middle initial. Again, check their birthdates.

Let's pretend that none of the names in the database appear to be "our" Mike J. Smith. In that case, you would add him as a new member.



Fill in the swimmer's address and birthdate information. This particular swimmer wants to be registered with the Illinois Masters club (IM). All registered clubs appear in a pull-down list.

Member Ide	ntification	Mailing Infor	mation		Contact Informa	tion
First Name:	Michael	Country Abbr:	US Search Countries		Primary Phone:	212-555-1212
Middle Initial:	J	Street:	1313 Mockingbird Ln		Contact via Text?	
Last Name:	Smith	City:	Mockingbird Heights		Secondary Phone:	
Suffix:		State:	Illinois (IL)	-	Contact via Text?	
Birth Date:	06/18/1972 <b>41</b>	Zip Code:	77777		Alternate Phone:	
Gender:	Male  Female				Contact via Text?	
					Email Address (P):	email@email.com
					Email Address (S):	
Club Inform Print Card? LMSC: Club:						nming official
	Chicago Masters Swim C Danville Y Silver Dolphin Decatur Swim Club (DSC Elgin Blue Wave Swim T Galter Swim Club (GLTR) Illinois Masters (IM) Illinois Valley YMCA Whit Joliet Park District Blue T Libertyville Masters (LIB) Life Time Illinois (LTIL) Mt Greenwood Masters S	s (DANY) ) eam (ELG) te Caps (IVWC) ides (JPD)		are selecti lub	ng the	Member Update

This club has registered workout groups. The swimmer swims with the Fossil Fish (FF) workout group. Choose the workout group from the pull-down list.

Club Inform	ation		
Print Card?			
LMSC:	Illinois		
Club:	Illinois Masters (IM)		
WO Group:		-	
	- East Bank Club (EBC)		
	Evanston Northshore Masters (EVM)		
	Flying Carp Swimming (FCS)		
	Fossil Fish (FF)		
	Glenbrook Aquatics (GA)		
	Gold Coast Aquatics (GCA)		
	Gray Sharks Leaning Tower YMCA (GS)		
	Harbor Hurricanes (HH)		
	Independent (IND)		
	Lakeshore Athletic Club (LSAC)		
	Lattof YMCA Masters (LATT)	=	

When you are done with this page, click to advance to the Payment page.





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Note the "Date of Registration" box. If you know that the swimmer registered as part of a deck entry at a swim meet, enter the date of the swim meet in the box. This is IMPORTANT for insurance and meet results reasons. If you leave the date as the default (the day you enter the registration) it will look like the swimmer was not a member when he swam in the meet.

When you are done entering information, click the "Register" button.

For someone with a common name, or with a birthdate that matches someone already in the database, you may be asked to verify that the person you are entering is really a "new" person and not someone already in the database. The screen will look like this (some personal information is not shown for privacy reasons):



Once you have submitted the member's data, you will be taken back to the initial registration screen. Note that the new swimmer's name is now at the top of the list of recently-modified members. Note that his new USMS number is displayed (213F-0902E):

Michael S	mith h	as been succe	essfully	REGIS	STERED.	
Sea	rch Me	mbers				
	Swimm	er ID:				
	Last N	lame:				
	First N	lame:				
E	mail Ado	dress:				
PI	none Nui	mber:				
	Birth	Date:	(MM)	DD/YYY	Y)	
The new member's			(		.,	
name and USMS number appear here	orums	User:				
	nit to L	MSC:				
		Search N	lembers	)		
Members With Recent Activ	ity					
Last Name, First		USMS Number	Club	LMSC	Birth Date	Reg. Date
1 Smith, Michael		213F-0902E	IM	21	06/18/1972	9/5/2013
2 Vander Jeugdt, Dan		217 -0002X	IM	21	04/10/1900	

## Renewing a Swimmer who was Previously Registered

If you know the swimmer was previously registered, and you have the swimmer's previous USMS number, you can search on the USMS ID.

Search Members Swimmer ID: 02REY	Search on previous USMS number
Last Name:	
First Name:	
Phone Number:	
Forums User:	
Limit to LMSC:	
Search Members	

Or, you can search by birthdate...

Search Member	's	
Swimmer ID:		
Last Name:		
First Name:		Search on birthdate
Email Address:		
Phone Number:		
Birth Date:	06/18/1972 (MM/DD/YYYY)	
Forums User:		
Limit to LMSC:		
	Search Members	

Search Member	's		
Swimmer ID:			
Last Name:	Smith		If you know the
First Name:			swimmer was last
Email Address:			registered in your LMSC, you can restrict
Phone Number:			the search to only your LMSC. This will provide
Birth Date:	(MM/DD/YYYY)		fewer results.
Forums User:		Γ	
Limit to LMSC:			
	Search Members		

Once you find the member's record, it will be populated with the data from the last time he was registered. The process from here is similar to that for a new swimmer.

If a valid email address was entered as part of the registration, a receipt will be automatically emailed to the new member. Here is what the receipt looks like:

Transaction ID #530	for Individual Registration on 09/05/2013.
	Michael J Smith
Contact Information:	1313 Mockingbird Ln Mockingbird Heights, IL 77777 USA
Description of Purchase:	
Transaction ID:	#530
Date/Time Processed:	09/05/2013 11:54:19am
Payment For	Charge
USMS Registration Fee	\$28.00
Hall of Fame Donation	\$3.00
LMSC Fee	\$5.00
Total	\$36.00