

BELCHERTOWN STINGRAYS SWIM TEAM

HEAD COACH JOB DESCRIPTION

QUALIFICATIONS

The Head Coach must be at least 18 years of age and have past experience in competitive swimming. The Head Coach must have a current US Swim Certification in addition to CPR certificate (adults and children) and a current First Aid certificate. It is expected that the Head Coach be committed to the entire season. Lifeguard certification recommended but not required

COMPETENCIES

The Head Coach should possess demonstrated competencies in the following areas:

- Water Safety Instruction
- Coaching background in competitive swimming
- Knowledge in teaching stroke techniques
- Experience working with children of various ages
- Good communication skills
- Organizational and planning skills
- Supervisory skills
- Teamwork
- Motivational techniques
- Patience

IT IS PREFERRED THAT THE HEAD COACH POSSESS EXPERIENCE IN U.S. SWIMMING AND HAVE AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE ROLE OF NUTRITION IN COMPETITIVE SWIMMING.

JOB FUNCTIONS

The Head Coach is responsible for:

- PLANNING THE SEASON, INCLUDING:
 - Planning each practice and determining the emphasis for each practice session
 - Planning age group assignments per time slots
 - Determining swimmers' pace
- COACHING SWIMMERS, INCLUDING:
 - Lane assignments
 - Instruction and correction of stroke techniques
 - Motivating swimmers
 - Recognizing the strengths and weaknesses of each swimmer and helping each individual to reach his/her potential
- COORDINATING MEETS, INCLUDING:
 - Swimmer assignments. It is expected that each swimmer will swim every stroke or event during the season.
 - Model and teach good sportsmanship and the importance of fair play
- PROVIDES SUPERVISION TO THE ASSISTANT COACH AND THE COACHES AIDE.
- COMMUNICATES WITH AND WORKS FOR THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT AQUATICS COORDINATOR.