

# USA SWIMMING COACH CERTIFICATION CHANGES

- **AS OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2008 CRITERIA FOR SAFETY TRAINING FOR SWIM COACHES WILL CHANGE:**

\*\*\*\*If you are at this time current with your Safety Training for Swim Coaches/Lifeguard certification this change will ONLY affect you upon renewing that specific certification.

Two options will be offered:

1. Complete and pass the American Red Cross Safety Training for Swim Coaches class.  
OR
2. Complete and pass a USA Swimming accepted Lifeguard class (approved list attached) **AND** take and pass the online American Red Cross Safety Training for Swim Coaches test. You must then submit the email letter stating you passed the test and your current Lifeguarding certification. Your expiration date will be the earlier of the 2 dates (your lifeguard cert or the STFSC online test). If you submit another Lifeguard certification in the future, you will have to submit your email letter AGAIN about passing the online test for STFSC as that would then be your earlier cert expiration date. IN Swimming offices will not be responsible for keeping this online test result date if it's later than a Lifeguard cert date.

- **AS OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2008 THE FIRST YEAR EDUCATION REQUIREMENT (USA SWIMMING'S FOUNDATIONS OF COACHING) WILL BE BASED ON THE NEW DVD AVAILABLE ON LINE FROM USA SWIMMING. THE BOOK TEST WILL NO LONGER BE AVAILABLE. REMINDER THAT ASCA LEVEL 1 IS NOT ACCEPTABLE FOR THIS USA SWIMMING EDUCATION REQUIREMENT.**

ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THE ABOVE PLEASE CONTACT : Lynn Kinstler – [lynn@inswimming.org](mailto:lynn@inswimming.org)

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