

**REGISTRATION FORM PACKET
(NEW and RETURNING ATHLETES)
Western CT YMCA MAKO Swim Team
2009 – 2010 Swim Season**

RETURNEES

- **PLEASE RETURN ALL FORMS and PAYMENT BY AUGUST 28, 2009** to ensure priority enrollment during the “in house” enrollment period.
- Your practice group placement has been / will be emailed to you along with your meet account balance information.
- Enroll any **new siblings** during this period as well. See the section below for placement instructions.

NEWCOMERS

- We welcome new Mako swimmers aged 6 and older on a space available basis. New swimmers are enrolled on a first come – first served basis after a limited in house enrollment period.
- Your priority will be established based on the date that your fully completed registration packet is returned to the Y with payment.
- You must be a full YMCA member to be on the swim team. We recommend monthly drafts and youth or family memberships are available. If you are not already a full YMCA member, you may wait to confirm that your swimmer is placed on the team before taking out a membership.
- Mako Practice Groups are usually as follows, using your age as of December 1, 2009. Note age is not the only basis for placement – skill level and training needs are also considered:
 - a. 8 & Under – Silver Practice Group
 - b. 10 & Under – Blue Practice Group
 - c. 13 & Under – Age Group 2
 - d. 15 & Under – Age Group 1
 - e. Senior Practice Groups (pSr, SR2, SR1, National Focus) – by coach placement
- Newcomers only - please provide all needed information using the “Waitlist / New Swimmer Data Form” at the end of this packet and your practice group will be emailed to you with registration information. Email the form to Team Administration at patholahan@yahoo.com or mail or bring them to the Y. If you need to fax the form please fax to (203) 740-9289, Attention Swim Team.
- Newcomers with no prior competitive swim experience are eligible to join the team provided that they have a sufficient minimum skill level. The coaching staff will make this determination. If the swimmer is judged not to be ready for the team a full refund of all registration fees will be given and an alternate development plan will be suggested. The Mako Team is known for development of novice level swimmers - perfect technique and conditioning is not expected of new swimmers. Call Coach Roger Simmons for an evaluation appointment or with any questions at (203) 775-4444 X 124.

LIST OF FORMS

1. **WCYM USA & YMCA Swimming 2010 Athlete registration application** - We need this information for our swim database as well as for USA registration. See the REGISTRATION INFO PACK to learn about USA Swimming. Please complete **one form per family**.
2. **Swimmer Medical Information Form** – fill this in completely – **one form per family**
3. **Payment Worksheet Form** – **one form per swimmer** – unless they are in the same practice group - or if their practice groups are on the same fee calculation page. Please look at these carefully before you begin filling them in – the forms have different price structures depending on practice group assignments. You may fill out one check for the entire family, or if paying by credit card, fill in just one payment data section.
4. **WCYM Team Apparel Order Form**

EXTRA FORMS

1. **CT Swimming Transfer/Release Form** – only needed if you are transferring to Mako from another team where you were registered with USA Swimming. One per Swimmer
2. **Waitlist / New Swimmer Data Form** – use to submit data and swim history for new swimmers if you have not already done so – needed for practice group placement – you cannot fill out a Payment Worksheet without a practice group assignment. Don’t forget to include as many best swim times (as many events as you can) from prior teams – look on the back of ribbons if you do not have a summary available.