

The Athens Bulldog Swim Club

—A USA Swimming team based in Athens, Watkinsville, & University of Georgia's Gabrielsen Natatorium

ABSC Financial Policy 2025-2026 Season

Overview of Fees. There are both annual and recurring fees to consider.

- **Annual Fees:** ABSC registration fee and USA Swimming registration. Both are paid once annually.
- **Recurring Fees:** Practice group tuition (paid monthly or by semester), and swim meet fees, billed upon participation.

All fees are laid out in the coming pages, starting with practice group fees.

Practice Group Pricing

Practice Group	Monthly Fee - No refunds or prorations offered if full month is not completed	Semester/Trimester Fee (5% discount) Please note no refunds or prorations will be offered for this option
Gups	\$130/mo. 11-month** schedule.	\$450/ Trimester** after discount
Pups	\$145/mo. 11-month** schedule.	\$505/ Trimester** after discount
Superpups	\$190/mo. 9-month schedule.	\$810/ Semester after discount
Dawgs 2	\$215/mo. 9-month schedule	\$920/ Semester after discount
Dawgs 1	\$240/mo. 9-month schedule	\$1025/ Semester after discount
Senior & Dawgs Flex	\$175/mo. 9-month schedule	\$750/ Semester after discount
Senior 2	\$240/mo. 9-month schedule	\$1025/ Semester after discount
Senior 1	\$270/mo. 9-month schedule	\$1150/ Semester after discount
Masters	TBD	TBD
Homeschool Junior	\$130/mo. 9-month schedule	\$555/ Semester after discount
Homeschool Age Group	\$145/mo. 9-month schedule	\$620/ Semester after discount
Senior Home School	\$175/ mo. 9-month schedule	\$750/ Semester after discount

****Gups, Pups, and Masters** operate on an 11-month billing schedule. Therefore, their discounted option is a “Trimester” option rather than a “Semester” option.

Monthly Calendar

ABSC operates on an 11-month fiscal calendar, September – July each year. August is off.

- With our monthly billing setup, you can start or stop your billing any month.



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ABSC Annual Registration Fee and USA Swimming Membership fee:

1. **ABSC Annual Fee.** Each ABSC swimmer will be charged a non-refundable Annual Registration Fee of \$125 for ABSC. Fee covers each swimmer's team T-shirt, swim cap, and software processing fees.
 - **Multi-swimmer discount!** The fee drops to \$50 for the 2nd swimmer and beyond in a family.
 - **Late Season Discount!** On February 1st, each year, this fee will drop to \$80 for the first swimmer for all groups, and \$20 for subsequent swimmers.
2. **USA Swimming Registration Fee.** The fee goes to USA Swimming and covers your swimmer under USA Swimming insurance. Required for all groups except for Masters, which registers with USA Masters Swimming.
 - a. Gups, Pups and Homeschool Junior: USA Swimming Flex Membership \$30.
 - b. Superpups, and all middle and high school groups: Premium Membership \$89.

Monthly Invoices:

- Monthly tuition for **Superpups, Dawgs 1, Dawgs 1, Senior 1, and Senior 2, Senior & Dawg Flex, and Home School** are billed **in 9 monthly installments (September-May)** or further if membership is suspended or started later). This includes 11 months of membership (we typically take August off). If all monthly fees have been paid from September – May, then June and July are free. If one month was missed, then only July is free.
- **Gups, Pups, and Masters:** monthly tuition billed **in 11 monthly installments (Sept. – July).**

Pay by Semester/Trimester option:

Families will also have the option to pay by semester (Supers and above) or trimester (Gups, Pups, & Masters) for a 5% discount in fees off each bill. (note** Masters is larger than a 5% discount for pay by trimester).

- **There are no refunds if you decide to stop swimming before the end of a semester.**

Billing Dates and Payment Deadlines:

All monthly invoices are created at 12:00am on the 1st day of each month. Each month's invoice must be paid by the **10th of the month.**

- Pay by trimester billing dates for Gups/Pups/Masters: Sept 1, Jan 1, May 1.
- Pay by semester billing dates for Supers/Dawgs/Senior groups: Sept 1, Jan 1.

Payments:

Billing invoices can be paid one of two ways:



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- Pay with master/discover/visa card. A valid card, which must be added to your account, can be processed automatically on the 1st day of each month for tuition dues and any meet fees from the previous month (if applicable).
- Pay with a checking/savings account (ACH Direct Draft). A bank account can be added to your account to be drafted on the first day of each month for tuition dues and any meet fees from the previous month (if any). There is NO convenience fee for this electronic payment method.

Electronic payment requires being enrolled in the Auto-Pay system (Visa/MasterCard/Discover Card or ACH Direct Deposit Bank Account). **Athens Bulldog Swim Club does not accept partial payments.**

Multi-swimmer Discount!

Families with multiple active paying swimmers will receive a discount on the additional swimmer's monthly dues. All swimmers must live in the same household and share one account.

- 2nd swimmer in the family: 10% discount to the 2nd swimmer
- 3rd swimmer: 20% discount to the third swimmer,
- 4th swimmer and beyond: 100% discount.

Discounts apply to the swimmers paying the lesser amount each month.

Meet Fees:

Families will be auto-billed all meet fees once registration closes. *Once a swimmer is committed online for any swim meet or team event; and the online commitment withdrawal/sign-up deadline has passed, the account holder of the swimmer is financially responsible and will be billed. Specifically note swim meets missed for illness, or any personal issues, will not be credited for any reason; fees are incurred prior to the meet and cannot be refunded.*

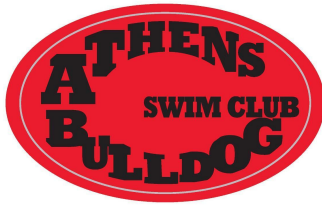
- Your meet fees will be automatically billed to your account on the **first of the following month.**

Changing Roster Groups:

If your swimmer moves to another roster group mid-season, your new monthly rate will be reflected on the following month's invoice. (ex. Henry moves from the Gups group to the Pups group on October 15th. His Pups group rate will first appear on the next billing period, Nov. 1st).

Suspend/Reactivation for Registered Members:

- To suspend membership, **Team treasurer Clayton Foggin must be notified via EMAIL (Clayton@athensbulldogs.com) before the 27th day of the month PRECEDING the month you wish to suspend your swimmer's membership.** (ex. If Johnny wishes not to swim in the month of February because he's taking a month off to play basketball, Clayton must be notified by email before January 27th).
 - **Note: Those who fail to notify by the 27th will owe a 5% "refund fee" to cover our expenses.**



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- Account balances must be paid in full to suspend a swimmer's membership. Suspended members may not participate in Athens Bulldog practices or meets.
- Please email clayton@athensbulldogs.com with your and your swimmer's full name as well as the desired month(s) to suspend your registered member. Your account will be invoiced for the full month's dues for the month your swimmer returns.

Canceling Memberships:

To cancel team membership, send an email notice to Clayton Foggin (Clayton@athensbulldogs.com) **and your lead group coach by the 27th of the month** to ensure billing is suspended for the following month.

Holidays / Breaks:

We take spring break off in March or April each season, in alignment with local public school districts, and a couple of days around Christmas and Thanksgiving. **Tuition for those months will not be prorated.** Furthermore, the monthly rate cannot be adjusted due to individual vacations or absences.

For any further questions, please email Clayton Foggin at Clayton@athensbulldogs.com, or contact Coach Mike Radford at Mike@athensbulldogs.com.