



Potomac Valley Swimming Update – Saturday, June 20, 2020

Potomac Valley Swimming has three new Safe Sport Recognized clubs this week. I would like to recognize and congratulate our newest Safe Sport Recognized clubs, Riptide Swim Team, Mason Makos Swim Team and the Potomac Marlins. This makes 16 PVS clubs that have achieved the recognition and are demonstrating their commitment to keeping our athletes safe. I know other PVS clubs are still working on the certification process. Parents and athletes can take the required training with USA Swimming. These [training opportunities](#) for parents and athletes have previously been reported. I attended the USA Swimming parent training this week and can report that it is well worth the time.

USA Swimming [announced this week](#) that they are allowing meet sanctions in July in areas where local restrictions will allow for them. PVS still does not have pool open in all of our jurisdictions yet, although we are getting closer every week. Because of the restrictions on numbers of swimmers in the pool at one time and the fact that our swimmers have been out of the water for months, we are no where near ready to have sanctioned competitions. The PVS Board, in consultation with the PVS coaches will decide when and how competitions can take place. Please be patient.

As swimmers get back into swimming routine, and jurisdictions allow larger numbers at a time to swim, please continue to follow the guidelines and protocols put in place by your club. This is how we will keep all our athletes and their families safe and healthy.

While you are still spending lots of time at home, don't forget the webinars and podcasts provided by [USA Swimming](#) and [other swimming organizations](#). We can always learn something new about our sport.

The PVS Board and I are ready to help and are as anxious as you to resume swimming activities. I am always available for your questions and comments.

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Potomac Valley Swimming Mission Statement

PVS supports and promotes excellence for all through competition, education, innovation and leadership.