

This Week in Swimming & Diving

May 22, 2020

Updates were sent to member school administrators on May 15 and May 21 and can be accessed below:

May 15: <https://ohsaaweb.blob.core.windows.net/files/BulletinBoard/20200515Update.pdf>

May 21: <https://ohsaaweb.blob.core.windows.net/files/BulletinBoard/20200521AdministratorUpdate.pdf>

Important information from these memos pertaining to swimming and diving and other updates are below:

May 26- No-Contact Period will be Lifted

The no-contact period currently in place for school coaches will be lifted for swimming and diving coaches on May 26. You may begin working with your athletes at that time and can have unlimited contact as long as participation is not mandatory.

School Athletic Facilities

For anyone who didn't see the Governor's press conference yesterday, Lt. Governor Husted announced that the opening of school athletic facilities is a decision to be made by individual school administrators. Please consult with your school administration to determine if your athletic facilities are open for use.

May 20 Board of Directors Meeting-Approval of Swimming and Diving Regulations

On Wednesday, the regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting took place with Presidents of each Coaches Association permitted to attend. Several items to note from that meeting:

- All sport-specific regulations were approved.
- No changes were made to the swimming and diving regulations.
- The regulations will be posted on the swimming and diving page in the upcoming weeks.

Out of State Travel Bylaw Adjustment

The Out of State Travel Bylaw has been adjusted. You can continue to travel to contiguous states with no limitation. The adjustment was made when traveling to non-contiguous states. It is still a one-time permission per season but previously, you were not permitted to miss school time for travel or competition. This stipulation has been removed and it is now a school decision on whether you may miss school time.

Governor's Guidance

The Governor's Office released guidance last week on Local and Public Pools and Aquatic Centers. Although this is not our guidance and we have no authority to oversee or enforce these regulations, I wanted to share the document:

<https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/static/responsible/Pools-Aquatic-Centers.pdf>