

Training Log Book

Belonging to: <u>Season /</u>

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What is a log book?

A log book is a diary of your swimming, you use it to record information about yourself, about what training you have been doing and how well you perform in competition.

Why do you need a log book?

In its simplest form it is somewhere to go and look for your personal best times when filling in meet entry forms. Far more useful it is a record of how well you are doing across the year, you can look back to when and where you swam well and try to work out why. You can look at your training schedule and track how much training you are doing in the build up to competitions. You can check to see if you are improving during test sets and maybe compare this to the times of the year when you are putting on a growth spurt.

What information should a log book contain?

All serious swimmers will keep a log book and the more you get involved in swimming the more information you should try to record, after all it's really rewarding to be able to track how much you have improved.

How to use this log book?

- Swimmer Details Not only a record of who you are but you can include useful information such as coaches contact details for emergencies.
- Growth Record This is really important, check your height and weight at least once a month, you will be surprised how much a growth spurt can affect your training, your performance in galas and even explain those aches and pains.
- Goal Setting Talk with your coach about this, having realistic and attainable goals gives you the motivation to improve your performance.
- Training schedule Print a copy of the training schedule from the website, it will remind your parents when and where you are meant to be.
- Pre Race Warm Up Talk with your coach about this, it helps a lot to have thought about what you are going to do in advance and having a regular warm up routine helps you focus on the coming swim.
 Post Race Swim Down -, you may want to talk to your coach on how this could be adapted for your swimming when a swim down pool is available.
- Performance Record Keep track of where and how well you swim in galas.
- Short / Long Course Personal Best Times Keep a record of when and where you set personal best times. Print a new sheet each time you set a PB and add it to your log book so that you can track your progress.
- Session Record Keep track of your training. Especially useful is a note about what you did as a main set and your comments on how that main set went, what your target for the set was, what you were trying to improve, etc. Also keep a record of the meterage covered during each training session. (Print extra sheets from the club web site as you need them).
- Weekly Meterage Recording Sheet Transfer your weekly distance totals to these sheets to track your progress across the year, it is also a good place to show when you took part in competitions so that you can see the 'cycle' of training. Notes on illness or injuries will help explain 'blips' in training when you look back at the record.
- Illness / Injury Record Hopefully you will not need to use this sheet, but looking back at it will help you track low points in your training. Keeping it up to date will also remind you to check that the medication is permitted under the doping regulations.
- Test Set Record Sheets Whenever you do a test set during training transfer your results from your laminated sheet to these recording sheets. Also make a few notes about how well the test

went so that you can plan how to improve next time. These records are probably your best way of checking progress during training.

- Fixtures Programme At the start of the season download the fixtures list from the website and plan which galas you think you will compete in, again it may be worth asking your coach for advice but do make sure that you plan when and where you will compete.
- Diary / Notes This is a space to add anything that you want to, from favourite pools to letting off steam about your swimming.

The log book is available from the Club Web Site (www.laserswimming.ca/) so download a copy and use as much or as little as you want to, then print off extra sheets as you need them. You could even keep the log book as a typed document rather than filling it in by hand.



Swimmer Details

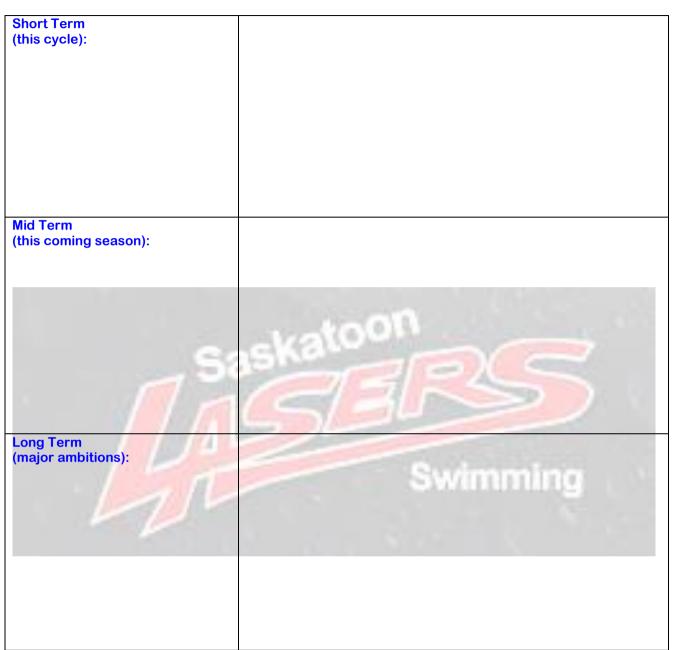
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Coach	
Coach's Contact Telephone Number(s)	
Medication and Supplements Information (record any prescribed medication, e.g. for asthma, vitamin supplements taken)	

Growth Record

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Goal Setting

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Training Schedule – Download a copy of the current training schedule from the club's website

My Pre-Race Warm Up for my Main Events

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Record below your pre-race warm up.



Performance Record

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Session Record Sheet

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Weekly Meterage Recording Sheet

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Test Set Records

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Diary / Notes



Fixtures List

Download the current fixtures list from the club website and keep a copy in your log book

Drugs Information

Drugs in Swimming

The use of performance enhancing drugs in sport is cheating, also they are associated with serious medical complications, above all their use is illegal. Punishment for the abuse of drugs may vary widely between a warning letter to a lengthy ban from training and competition, so it is important that every competitor in the sport is aware of the problems that they may face and what they should be doing to avoid it.

Some drugs are permitted if they are declared in advance for a specific condition, many competitors have asthma and the majority of the drugs used for asthma are perfectly legal. It is important, however, to remember that they are only legal if taken by inhaler. <u>All competitors, who have asthma and are taking such medication, must declare it in writing</u>.

To sum up, it is <u>YOUR</u> responsibility to check that any medication that you are taking is permitted, ask your GP or Swim SASK to check if a preparation is legal. If they do not know, they will be able to find out and, <u>if in doubt, don't take it</u>.



Coach's Feedback

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Alternative Session Record Sheet

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