

PRE-CAMP SWIM CLASSIFICATION RECORD
CAMP SQUANTO
OLD COLONY COUNCIL

Troops may elect to take swim tests before arriving at camp by conducting their own testing in accordance with the principles of the BSA Safe Swim Defense Program and the BSA Guide to Safe Scouting. It is the Scoutmaster's responsibility to make sure BSA guidelines are followed. Additionally, a currently certified lifeguard must perform this testing and a copy of the lifeguard's certification must be included with the Pre-Camp Swim Classification Record for it to be accepted at camp. The Camp Aquatics Director reserves the authority to review or retest any applicants wishing to use the aquatics facilities at camp.

When completing this record, only list those scouts who are participating in your swim test. Test participants may choose from the following four classifications: Non-Swimmer, Beginner, Swimmer 1, or Swimmer 2. It is not necessary for participants to pass all lesser tests before completing their desired test. Participants are expected to complete the test in a strong manner without resting. Swimming underwater, dog-paddling, and frequently interrupted strokes are not permitted. Each swimmer must enter the water and begin swimming without any aids. Walking in from shallow water, easing in from the edge or down a latter, pushing off from the sidewall or gaining forward momentum by diving do not satisfy the requirements for any of the tests. Always give the test as it is written—add nothing and omit nothing.

CAMP SQUANTO SWIM CLASSIFICATIONS:

Non-Swimmer: No Test or did not meet the Beginner classification in swimming ability.

Beginner: Jump feet first into water over the head in depth, re-surface, and swims on the surface of the water for 25 yards in one direction, stops, turn sharply and swims on the surface of the water back to the starting point.

Swimmer 1: Jump feet first into water over the head in depth, re-surface, swim 100 yards as follows: First, swim 75 yards in a strong manner using one or more of the following strokes: side, breast, trudgeon or crawl; then swim 25 yards using a restful backstroke; show you can float, or if not buoyant, with just enough motion to stay afloat.

Swimmer 2: Jump feet first into water over the head in depth, re-surface, swim 150 yards as follows: First, swim 100 yards in a strong manner using one or more of the following strokes: side, breast, trudgeon or crawl; then swim 50 yards using a restful backstroke; show you can float, or if not buoyant, with just enough motion to stay afloat.

