Club Registration Fee Proposal for 2026 Florida LMSC Budget

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I propose that some of these funds be used in the 2026 LMSC budget to pay for the **automatic club registration renewal** of all clubs registered in the LMSC during the 2026 year, that have five or more registered members as of September 1, 2026, when it is time to renew those clubs **for the 2027 registration year** (in October, 2026).

This line item in the 2026 Florida LMSC budget would be \$3,375.00.

The current fee to register a club with USMS is \$75.00.

Based on the 2025 club and member registrations, there would be approximately 45 clubs that would meet this requirement (at least five registered swimmer members) in 2026. See chart at the end of this document.

45 clubs x \$75.00 per club would be equal to **\$3,375.00 total** paid by the Florida LMSC to renew the clubs for the 2027 registration year.

Some other LMSCs do this (bulk club renewal and payment) and based on correspondence with Bethany Burchill at the USMS national office, here is how the process works:

- August 2026: The LMSC would contact all clubs with five or more members to verify that they want to renew their clubs for the 2027 registration year
- September 2026: The LMSC (membership coordinator and/or chair) would send a list of all clubs that should be bulk renewed by the national office, confirming that the LMSC will pay the renewal fees for each of the clubs on the list
- October 1, 2026: The USMS national office renews the clubs on the list that was sent by the LMSC
- October or later, 2026: The USMS national office bills the LMSC for the total number of clubs renewed

This proposal would apply to already-registered (2026) clubs, not brand-new clubs that are registering for the first time in 2027. The idea is to encourage established clubs to grow, which benefits the LMSC by growth as well.

Another advantage to the bulk renewal process is that the majority of the 2026-registered clubs will be renewed prior to the November 1, 2026, opening date for individual member renewal for the 2027 USMS membership year.

The chart on the next page contains data pulled from the USMS website on October 12, 2025. It shows the number of registered members for each of the 65 clubs registered in the Florida LMSC in 2025 and is sorted by club size (largest to smallest).

Members by 2025 Club in the Florida LMSC as of October 12, 2025

Club	NumMembers
SHARK	306
SPM	228
MELB	178
CAM	93
T2NM	69
SWAG	58
BDO	55
LG	52
LMSC	51
LHM	50
SWOUT	50
VMAS	45
BSS	44
JWS	42
FACT	35
SRQM	35
ATAC	34
NFS	33
SLAP	33
GSC	32
SRA	30
GCST	27
BOLTS	23
SYMS	22
TYSM	22
SPCO	21
SWIM	20
TTM	18
BMAC	15
WAHOO	15
AVSC	14
TCA	14
HYDRO	13

Club	NumMembers
FFST	12
TEAM	10
SPBA	8
TMC	8
USC	8
WFLM	8
GTSA	7
SARS	7
FLCNS	6
PALB	6
4SWM	5
SCCS	5
ADEM	4
BGJCC	4
PCSC	4
AQNT	3
FLA	2
STRT	2
TMSC	2
TWFL	2
CVMST	1
JCM	1
SFYH	1
A4P	0
DREAM	0
MSSA	0
PPT	0
SDAMS	0
SJAC	0
TMST	0
UNAGI	0
VGST	0