

Council Activity Swim Classification Record

THIS FORM MUST BE USED FOR ALL PRECAMP SWIM TESTS AT MICHIGAN CROSSROADS COUNCIL CAMPS AND COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

(Changes and/or corrections to the following chart must be initialed and dated by the test administrator.)

Unit Number _____

Date of Swim Test May, 2026

	Full Name (Print) (Draw lines through blank spaces)	Medical Recheck Parts A-B	Swim Classification		
			Non-Swimmer	Beginner	Swimmer
1					
2					
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The swim classification test performed for Council level activities (such as Summer Camp), must be conducted by a **Council Approved Swim Test Administrator** and they must attach their current Approval letter to this Form.

Test administrators should utilize chapter 5 of the [Scouting America Aquatics Supervision Guide](#).

NAME OF SWIM TEST ADMINISTRATOR

Print Name
Mahican District Corps 5 Swim Program

DTamsen@aol.com or MahicanCorps5@gmail.com

Email

Signature

313-300-3057

Phone Number



SWIM CLASSIFICATION PROCEDURES

The swim classification of individuals participating in a Scouting America activity is a key element in Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat. These swim classification tests are a foundational unit of the Aquatics Continuum.

All persons participating in aquatic activities are classified according to swimming ability. The classification tests and test procedures have been developed and structured to demonstrate a skill level consistent with the individual's circumstances in the water.

SWIM TESTS FOR COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

Swim tests for ***council activities*** are conducted following the procedures approved by the Council Aquatics Committee. In the Michigan Crossroads Council, all Swim Test Administrators must be an approved administrator. To become an Approved Administrator must be 21 years or older and go to michiganscouting.org/aquatics-committee

SPECIAL NOTE: When swim tests are conducted away from camp, the camp aquatics director retains the right to review or retest any or all participants to ensure that standards have been maintained.

REGARDLESS OF WHERE OR WHEN THE SWIM TEST OCCURS THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES APPLY:

The test is given one-on-one. The test administrator and the swimmer are buddies during the administration of the test.

Each component of the test is important. The test must not be changed either to assist the Scout or to expedite the process.

The test must be completed without aid or support. Aid includes lifejackets, wetsuits, fins, etc. Swim goggles may be used to avoid eye irritation.

Swim tests must be renewed annually. Preferably at the beginning of the outdoor season.

TO THE SWIM TEST ADMINISTRATOR

SWIMMER'S TEST:

Jump feet first into water over the head in depth, level off, and begin swimming. Swim 75 yards in a strong manner using one or more of the following strokes: side stroke, breaststroke, trudgen, or crawl (Front or Back); then swim 25 yards using an easy resting back stroke. The 100 yards must be swum continuously and include at least one sharp turn. After completing the swim, rest by floating.

BEGINNER'S TEST: Jump feet first into water over the head in depth, level off, swim 25 feet on the surface, stop, turn sharply, resume swimming as before, and return to starting place.

Anyone who has not completed the beginner or swimmer tests is classified as a **nonswimmer**.

