

BRANT ARTISTIC SWIMMING CLUB

254 N. Park Street, Brantford, ON N3R 4L1



PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES AND CODE OF CONDUCT POLICY

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Definitions

In this Policy:

1. “*BASC*” refers to Brant Artistic Swimming Club.
2. “*BASC Participants*” means all persons engaged in any paid or volunteer capacity with Brant Artistic Swimming Club or otherwise engaged in Artistic Swimming Activity with Brant Artistic Swimming Club;
3. “*Coach*” means any person who instructs Athlete’s on a regular basis through BASC’s programs;
4. “*Parents*” refers to parents or guardians of athletes under 18 years of age;
5. “*Artistic Swimming Activity*” means all Brant Artistic Swimming Club business and activities over which Brant Artistic Swimming Club has jurisdiction, including training, competitions, events.
6. “*Illness*” refers to fever, vomiting, contagious.
7. “*Unwell*” refers to physical unwellness, not 100% due to cough, cold, sore, tired, etc.
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Purpose

The purpose of this Policy is to communicate to Parents and Guardians of BASC Athletes behavior expectations and to define certain behavior that is not permitted by BASC Coaching Staff.

Application of This Policy

This Policy applies to all BASC Participants including:

1. BASC Parents
2. BASC Participants working with those teams or athletes, including coaches and other support persons.

This Policy applies at all times, wherever the BASC activity takes place. BASC Activity includes:

1. Regular training or practice time;
2. All BASC hosted selection and assessment processes;
3. BASC hosted camps, clinics or invitational meets; and
4. Participation in novice, provincial or national stream competitions including related training and organized group travel.

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Responsibilities:

Parents will:

1. Abide all club adopted policies. Available by request or on our website, baswim.com.
2. Parents are asked not to approach coaches during training times or competition events unless it is an emergency. If a coach asks to speak to a parent during a training time, this will be the only time during practice when this will be allowed. If you need to speak to your athlete's coach, please send an email to the coach and copy coachjulia@baswim.com. Scheduled meetings and emails are the standard process.
3. Never argue with the judges' and officials' decisions. Let your coach ask any necessary questions.
4. Have your athlete at the pool on time and prepared.
5. In the event of illness. Parents will immediately inform the Coach by text or email. If they are unwell, but not ill, they should attend practice, not necessarily swimming, but to be available to learn new elements in the routine.
6. Participation in training is mandatory. Coaching staff may choose to allow an athlete to forgo certain training due to injury or personal training plan.
7. Absences: To assist with family schedules and planning, Club holidays will be outlined as early as possible in the swim year. Extended absences have a big impact on the whole team as routine practices are greatly affected. This is especially critical in the two weeks before a meet.
8. Clear schedule for competition weekends. Athletes must be available for the entire meet.
9. Arrive early and assist your athlete in being fully prepared to compete.
10. Follow and help ensure that the coach's instructions for times, scheduling, team cheering are adhered to.
11. Athlete must support all other members of the Club during competitions.
12. Parents must support all other members of the Club and will not speak in a negative way about any BASC member or an athlete from any other Club.
13. A parent will not speak in a negative way about BASC. If a parent has an issue or concern, they are expected to bring it forward to the Team Coach or Head Coach.
14. Avoid consuming alcohol in situations where minors are present and take reasonable steps to manage the responsible consumption in adult oriented social situations associated with BASC activities.
15. Help athletes to reach the Club standards at competitions. This includes curfew, nutrition and club attire (competitive wear, running shoes and hair in pony tail) as well as behavior.
16. Participate in Club initiatives such as fundraising and volunteering.